

“Serving Others in God’s Love”

Fortnight for Freedom Novena

During this week, June 22 – 29, we were able to celebrate and show a spirit of patriotism and gratitude for the religious freedom we enjoy in the United States of America, while also praying for all those who have not always enjoyed such liberty. Leading up to this week, we were able to honor all of the veterans who sacrificed so much for the sake of freedom at our Flag Day celebration. This was the perfect way for us to begin to “pray, reflect, and take action on religious liberty both here and abroad” (usccb.org). As the week went on we prayed the Fortnight for Freedom prayer before Mass and participated in many activities that encouraged us to support freedom in every aspect of life. In response to one of the prayer intentions in the novena, we made cards for the children involved with our local Big Brothers Big Sisters Foundation and they turned out beautifully. Overall all, we had a wonderful novena and we realized what a beautiful call we have been given to pray for and perform acts of peace through the grace of God! We will be sure to continue this mission as we celebrate this gift of freedom on this Fourth of July. Happy Fourth, everyone!

