

**Blessed Sacrament Catholic School  
Middle School Summer Reading List-Summer 2016**

Summer is a time to relax...with a book! Following are the titles students need to read before the first day of school. The books have been chosen to correspond with thematic units we will study throughout the school year. *Enjoy them, but **read them mindfully!***

**For the first week of school, be prepared to:**

- **have class discussions and written assignments on the required books and your free choice books.**

**Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> Graders: read the following four required books:**

**The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster**

**The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett**

**The Last Battle (Book 7 of The Chronicles of Narnia series) by C.S. Lewis**

**Saint Catherine of Siena: The Story of the Girl Who Saw Saints in the Sky (Stories of the Saints for Young People Ages 10 to 100) by Mary Fabyan Windeatt**

- ✓ **Assignment:** Make a devotional card of St. Catherine. On a 3x5 note card, do the following:  
Front: draw and color a portrait of the saint. Back: list facts about the saint and include a prayer to her. **Due: 1<sup>st</sup> day of school.**

**Incoming 7<sup>th</sup> Graders: read the following four required books:**

**The Outsiders by S. E. Hinton**

**The View from Saturday by e.l. konigsburg**

**Touching Spirit Bear by Ben Mikaelson**

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**Incoming 8<sup>th</sup> Graders: read the following four required books:**

**The Five People You Meet in Heaven by Mitch Albom**

**Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck**

**The View from Saturday by e.l. konigsburg**

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