

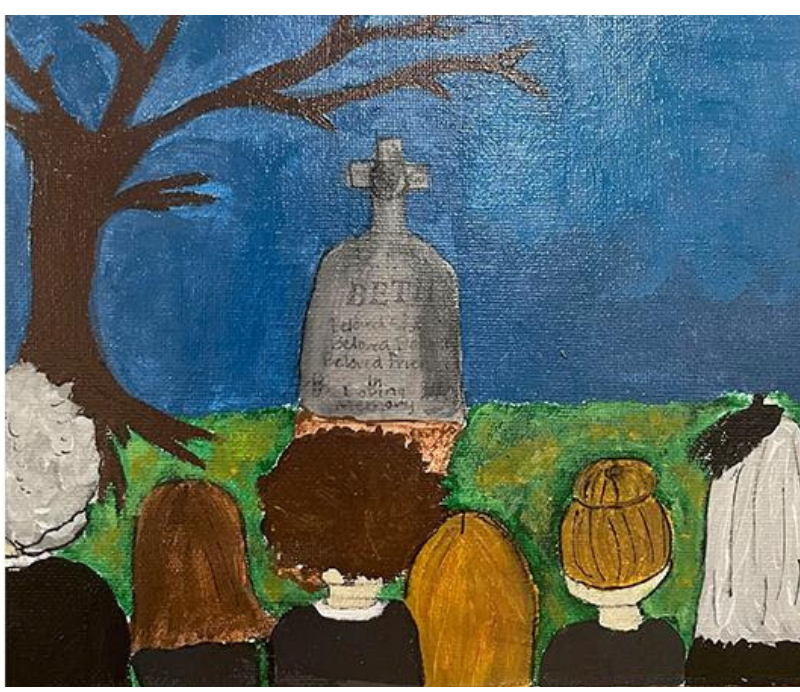
IN THE CLASSROOM



Mr. Sweeney recently nominated Sofia Filardi ‘26 for an Academic Spotlight!

Sofia did a fantastic job on her letter of advocacy and poster for service learning in theology. Additionally, Sofia often brings life-lived experiences to classroom discussions, participates frequently and is always cheerful and friendly.

For her contribution to theology class and specifically for her service learning project, we are proud to honor Sofia Filardi with an Academic Spotlight!



Congratulations to Mrs. Cipriano’s students on completing the One Big Month of Reading Challenge!

Students in Mrs. Cipriano’s English I classes self-selected novels and pledged to read a certain amount of pages within a one month period. Novels ranged from classics like Lee’s *To Kill a Mockingbird* to dystopian novels like *Feed* by M.T. Anderson and newer YA options like *Long Way Down* by Jason Reynolds. Students created projects based on their novel and their interests, such as pivotal scene paintings, alternate endings and Minecraft scene simulations. The two classes that successfully reached or surpassed their pledged pages earned a class movie watching event.

Shown above are two examples of pivotal scene paintings. One from the novel *Elsewhere* by Gabrielle Zevin painted by **Hannah Reyna ‘26** and the other from Louisa May Alcott’s *Little Women* painted by **Nina Garcia ‘26**. Bravo to all who competed in the challenge!

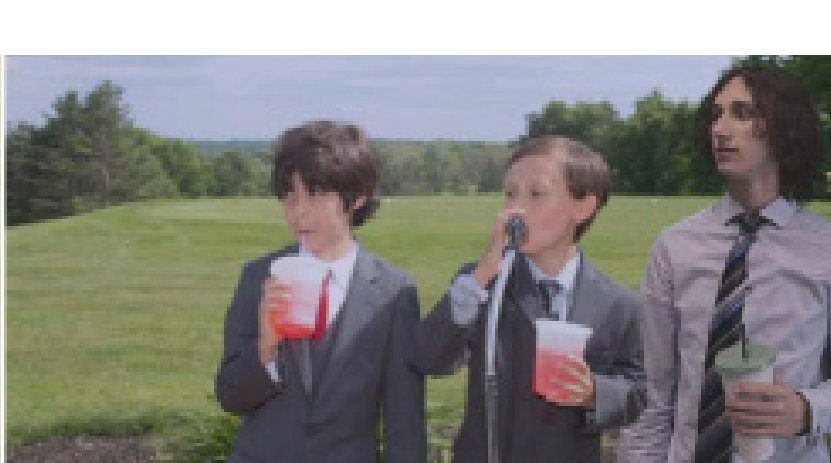


Students in **Mrs. Marko** and **Mr. Manzo’s** classes designed over 150 valentine cards in Photoshop and Illustrator for their service learning project. These cards will be delivered to senior citizens in Trumbull through Trumbull’s Commission of Aging.

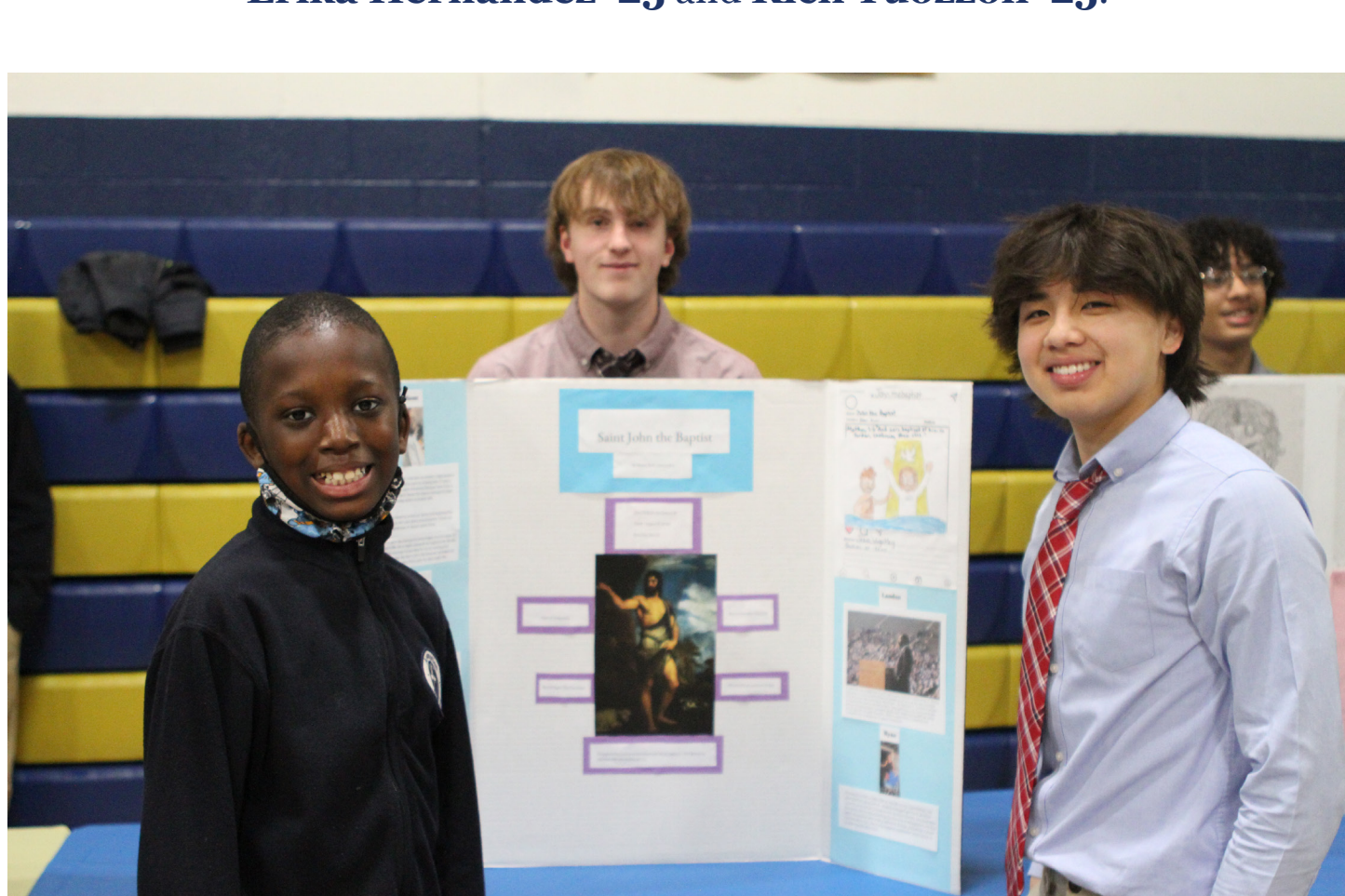


The Drawing/Painting studio classes just finished up their “Heart/Mosaic Stained Glass” paintings. Each student came up with unique solutions and incorporated their personal artistic styles!

Clockwise from top right: Rib Cage: **Arianna Hanley ‘24**, Hands: **Jessica Rodrigues ‘25**, Septor heart: **Kimberly Cuellar ‘25**, and Forest heart: **Marie Van Scoy ‘23**.



Photography students traveled back in time to visit their younger selves. After taking a current photo, students used adjustment layers and other tools in Photoshop to match the lighting and coloring of the older picture, making it look as if they went back to visit their childhood. Above work by **Erika Hernandez ‘25** and **Rich Tuozzoli ‘25**.



Ms. Medoff’s junior theology students recently partnered with 5th and 6th graders from Assumption School for a service learning project on saints. Each group shared their trifold displays at the Notre Dame showcase on Monday, February 27th. Great work everyone!