



St. Ann's November News 2009



Liturgies

The children will be attending the 8:30am mass on Monday, November 2nd for All Souls Day. The 7th grade class will present the mass.

There will be a First Holy Communion Parent Meeting on Sunday, November 8th after the 10:30am mass.

There will be a make-up Rites Mass for 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation on November 14th and 15th.

Our Thanksgivings Prayer Service will be on Monday, November 23rd at 8:30am. The 1st grade will present this prayer service.

An Advent prayer service will be held on Monday, November 30th at 8:30am. The 5th grade class will present this service.

All parents are welcome to join us for mass.

Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled for Thursday, November 5th. You should have already received your conference time. If you have not, please contact the school office. Please keep in mind that this is an **11:30am dismissal day**. It is important that you be on time for your appointment.

Student Council

Student Council will sponsor a skating party on Thursday, November 19th at Lynwood Roller Rink from 6:00pm – 9:00pm. Come out and enjoy an evening of family fun.

PTO

We would like to extend a special thanks to the PTO Board for organizing our Special Person Day.

We would also like to thank all our wonderful volunteers who helped make this day special for all.

The PTO Board meeting will be held on November 4th 8:00pm in room 105. All parents are welcome.

Sports Committee

There will be a Sports Committee meeting on Monday, November 23rd at 7:00p.m. in room 105. All parents are welcome.

Congratulations to the JV football team for taking first place in their division.

Classroom Notes

Seventh Grade – On Tuesday, November 10th the 7th grade class will be attending Marian Catholic High School for Step-Up Day.

Fourth Grade – The fourth grade class will be performing the opera “Elixir of Love” on November 13th.

Kindergarten - Kindergarten children will be transformed into Native Americans and Pilgrims on November 17th. The children and parents will prepare a Thanksgiving Feast and they will all contribute their goods and services to make this celebration a special one.

Extra \$\$\$\$ For St. Ann School

GM Box Tops – Please continue to send in your General Mills Box Tops. The office has additional sheets if you need them. Thanks for your support.

Paper Recycling & Cartridges

Please continue to feed our recycle paper bins and continue to send in your used cartridges. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Market Day – See the attached letter for Market Day information.

Campbell Soup Labels – The Labels for Education Program is a great way to earn free merchandise for our school. Participation is easy—simply save the UPC code labels from Campbell products and send them to school with your child.

Things you Need to Know

Immunization and Dental

Records – All students entering kindergarten, sixth grade or new to the school must have a physical exam. Students entering kindergarten, second and sixth grade must have had a dental exam by August 15th. All kindergarten students or 1st grade students new to the school must have a vision test. The Illinois Board of Education requires this. **All forms should have been turned in by August 15th.**

Confirmation – Confirmandi need to complete and return the Sponsor Certificate and the Confirmation Certificate form with the Confirmandi's baptismal certificate attached. The baptismal certificate can be a copy, but MUST accompany the confirmation certificate. Both forms are due November 2nd.

Book Fair – We're happy to report that our Book Fair was a great success. Our parents always support this effort, and this year was no exception. Many thanks to all who shopped at our fair, and our gratitude goes to the volunteers who assisted. Book Fair would not have been possible without them.

We look forward to purchasing a variety of great books and also Accelerated Reader quizzes for our library with our \$877 profit. We will also receive over \$1,000 in new books from Scholastic. Thanks to all of you for believing in the power of books in our lives, and for believing in the importance of reading for our children.

Dress Down Day – There will be a dress down day on Friday, November 13th. The cost will be \$1.00. All proceeds will go toward the purchase of microphones for classroom pod casting.

Early Dismissal – There will be an 11:30am dismissal on November 5th and November 25th.

Children's Choir – Choir practices will be held Thursday's from 2:30pm to 3:45pm. The dates are November 12th and 19th.

No School – No classes will be held on Friday, November 6th for Veteran's Day, Thursday, November 26th and Friday, November 27th for Thanksgiving Break.

Absences – Please remember to send your child with a note with the reason for the absence upon his/her return to school.

Weather – Please remember to dress for the weather. We will be going out for recess.

Hot Lunch Form Guidelines-

- All forms must be completed in **black** or **blue** ink. NO pencil
- Return **original** form, copies will not be accepted
- Do not write in boxes that have been left blank or crossed out**, these are half days, days off, PTO lunch days, field trips, or days when hot lunch is not being served.
- It is preferred that you pay by check or money order.**
- If you have more than one student, please pay with one check and enclose all forms in one envelope.**
- Lunch forms must be **returned by the due date.** Forms will not be accepted once they are sent to the food service.
- Keep track of the days your student is ordering hot lunch.** Extra lunches are not always available. When an extra lunch is provided, payment is expected the next school day.

Virtus – A Virtus class will be offered at St. Ann on November 12th at 7:00pm in Room 105. Mark your calendars.

Pictures- Lifetouch will be here on November 11th for picture retakes.

Fund Raising – The expected delivery date for those families who order candy, as fundraiser is the first week of November. Be on the look out for further details.

St. Ann Steppers – The St. Ann Steppers are off and stepping again in P.E. Classes' grades 3-6 are again wearing pedometers in class to keep track of steps taken. So far this year our total number of steps are 2, 028,485 which equals 845 miles.

Top Steppers:

6 th	Corey Postema	32,468 steps
5 th	Kevin Rogala	28,035 steps
4 th	Sam Springsteen	24, 990 steps
3 rd	Nina Duda	26,430 steps

Coming Attractions-

Graduation Photos – Lifetouch will be taking graduation photos on December 2nd.

Science Fair

Science Fair time will be here before you know it. We are in need of judges for our fair. If you are able or know of someone who would be willing to offer his or her services as a judge, please do not hesitate to e-mail Mrs. Echterling at judyechterling@saintannschoool.com.

Please do not feel that you need to have a science degree to make this a memorable experience for our students. If you are unsure, drop Mrs. Echterling an e-mail and she be happy to talk with you about the expectations of a judge.

Holiday Season – Please join us for weekend masses during the holiday season. All are welcome.

Messiah - The choir is going to perform “Messiah” again this year. The performance is scheduled for Thursday, December 18th at 7:00pm. The St. Ann’s Women Club sponsors the event.

Santa Secret Shop - The PTO will sponsor Santa Secret Shop in early December. This is a great opportunity to do a little Christmas shopping.



Happy Thanksgiving!

We really appreciated all the help at the Garage/Craft Sale 2009. It's a lot of work but we did it again and hopefully next year NO RAIN.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Jim Duda

Jose Fragoso

Mike Churilla

Rich Priewski

Rose Tiltges

Mary Madden-Priewski

Laura Bailey

Judy Rogala

Lauren Caruso

Donations

Donna Spagnola (Rosemary's sister) Central Beverage – all drinks

Rosemary and Jim Duda (14-18 bags of ice, hot dogs, condiments, hangers)

Adriana and Jose Fragoso (buns, chips, paper products, charcoal, hangers)

Mike's Glenwood T.V. (4 pkgs. of hot dogs, grill, charcoal, lighter fluid)

To all the young ladies who helped at the hot dog stand and wherever they were needed:

Nina Duda

Claire Bailey

Katie Koch

Riley Olsen

Melina Duda

Katlyn McHale

Maggie and Anna Jaworowski

Jenna Ryczek

Your help was very much appreciated and needed. I hope all of you kept your Student Volunteer name tags for next year.

THANKS TO ALL OF YOU,

Adriana Fragoso