

ST. PATRICK SCHOOL FAMILY NEWSLETTER

October 26, 2011

Dear Parents,

Today's family envelope contains a form to invite grandparents and special elders on Thursday, November 17th for a special morning. Please return the RSVP form by next Friday, November 4.

For anyone who may have been planning to attend the John Michael Talbot mission at Mt. Carmel, it has been cancelled for the rest of the week due to the illness of the presenter's mother.

St. Patrick School provides many outstanding opportunities for our students. Students go on to achieve great success in high school, college, and their professional careers. Help us tell the good news of St. Patrick School. We are asking you to provide a short testimonial which highlights some of our positive attributes. We have included a form at the end of this newsletter to complete and return. Some of these will be used for a PowerPoint presentation that will be running as a background visual during part of the upcoming auction.

You will find the 2011-2012 School Directory enclosed in today's family envelope. I thank Mrs. L for compiling this handy reference for our families.

Don't forget that our Halloween Carnival will take place on Friday, October 28. Our preschool and kindergarten classes will be coming over promptly at 7:45 a.m. If you can arrive a few minutes early to help prepare items, it will be most appreciated. Help would also be appreciated to set up the carnival on Thursday, October 27 at 2:00 p.m. See last week's newsletter for the class schedule and costume guidelines.

This year after Halloween, we will work with Kinetic Chiropractic to receive Halloween candy that will be sent to our servicemen and women. More information will be sent home next week.

Please complete the form found at the end of today's letter regarding Parent/Teacher Conferences on Wednesday, November 9.

WEEK AT A GLANCE:

Wednesday, October 26

- Girls on the Run

Thursday, October 27

- **Service Project Jean Day**
- Halloween Carnival Set-Up 2:00 p.m.

Friday, October 28

- Halloween Carnival
- End of First Quarter

Monday, October 31

- Girls on the Run

Tuesday, November 1 (All Saints Holy Day)

- Mass 8:00 a.m.
- No Airport Buses
- Girls on the Run

Wednesday, November 2 (All Souls Day)

- Girls on the Run

Thursday, November 3

- Picture Retake Day
- Grade 2 Visits IHM Motherhouse
- School Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Friday, November 4

- First Friday Mass, 8:00 a.m.
- Red Wing Assembly
- Report Cards Distributed

NOVEMBER 1: Please remember that St. Patrick School **will** be in school on November 1, even though Airport Schools is out of session that day. There will be **no Airport buses**. Although the November hot lunch calendar in today's family envelope states "no school" on November 1st, hot lunch **will** be served that day. The hot lunch menu on November 1st can be found at the bottom of the current October calendar.

VETERANS MASS: The Veterans' Mass will be held on Friday, November 11 (instead of November 8). I encourage you to mark your calendars and attend this special celebration to honor our veterans. If you know a veteran, please encourage him or her to come. After Mass we will have our reception line and flag raising ceremony. Veterans and their guests are then invited to the lunchroom for refreshments.

RED WING TICKETS: The Red Wing tickets have arrived for those who ordered them and can be picked up in the school office from 7:00 – 3:30 each day. Please call the office if you would like the tickets sent home with your child.

OCTOBER SERVICE PROJECT: This month we have been collecting non-perishable food and paper products for St. Joseph Food Closet in Monroe. A box for donations will be in church this weekend for additional donations. Items may be still dropped off at the school office as well. The jean day for students and staff who participated will be Thursday, October 27.

COOKIE DOUGH DELIVERY: Cookie dough that was ordered through the Magazine Drive will be delivered on Tuesday, November 8 and may be picked up between 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. that day. If you are able to help sort orders at 1:00 on November 8th, please return the form found at the end of this week's letter.

AUCTION UPDATE: Our auction chairperson reported that 41 silent auction items and 24 live auction items have been donated as of yesterday. The goal is to have 300 silent auction items and 50 live auction items displayed the night of the auction! We need your help to reach that goal! Classroom projects have been chosen with volunteers assisting the teachers. These projects are in varying stages. Help is needed after the weekend Masses on November 12/13 to sell auction tickets and *Ultimate Christmas Tree Raffle* tickets. If you are able to lend a hand, please return the form found at the end of today's family newsletter.

THANK YOU AUCTION DONORS TO DATE: Please join the many individuals and businesses who have already made donations for the 2011-2012 school auction.

The following business have indicated donated or made commitments to donate items or place an ad in the auction booklet this year: African Safari Wildlife Park, A-Ga-Ming Golf Resort, Alpha 6, Al's Cabinet Shop, American Cooling and Heating, Anson's Apple Charlie's Orchard, Auto Body Plant, Bavarian Inn Lodge & Conference, Big Bear Lodge, Big Boy Restaurants, Biundo's Salon, Broadway Market, Buffalo Wild Wings, Buscemi's Pizza & Subs, Busen Appliance, Calder Brothers Dairy, Cameo Countertops, Carleton Collision, Carleton Dental Care P.C., Carleton Farm Supply, Carleton Glen Golf Club, Carleton House Restaurant, Carleton VFW Post 4093, Carroll Ochs Jewelers, Chateau Chantal Winery and B & B, Chicago Skydeck, Ciolino's Fruit & Vegetable, Crafts 2000, Cranbrook Institute of Science, Crest Ford, Inc., Danny's Fine Foods, David C. Hoffman, Inc., Designs by Beth, Detroit Institute of Arts, Detroit Red Wings, Detroit Tigers, Detroit Zoological Society, Donahue Optical, Durocher's, El Vaquero Restaurant, English Gardens, Erie Restaurant & Bar, Farmer's Café, Friendly Ford, Inc., Four Star Greenhouse, Game On Sports Center, Green Meadows Golf Club, Guardian Industries, Happy Days Child Care, Imagination Station, Jets Pizza, KC Integrated Services, Kinetic Chiropractic, Krzyske Brothers, Lakewood Machine Products Co., Langton Construction, La-Z-Boy Inc., Lotus Financial, Mackenzie Building Co., Main Street Salon, Masserant's Feed and Grain, Matthewson & Associates, Michigan Memorial Park, Inc., Mieden Farms, Milkins Jewelers, Monica's Baker Boy, Monroe Collision Service, Monroe Multi-Sports Complex, Monroe Plumbing & Heating, Mt. Brighton Ski/Jackal Golf Club, Neil Armstrong Museum, Nina's Pizza, Nutrition Sensation, Putnams Auto, Reddeman Farms Golf Club, Rooterman sewer & Drin, Rupp Funeral Home, Inc., St. Mary Catholic Central, Sandy Creek Golf Course, Schafer Agency's Inc., Serv-All Septic Services, Shedd Aquarium, St. Julian Winery, St. Patrick Altar Society, St. Patrick Boosters, St. Patrick Men's Club, Stoneco of Michigan, Suburban Sewer & Septic Tank, The Henry Ford, Thorne Brothers Golf, Tiffany's Pizza, Toledo Mud Hens, Toledo Symphony Orchestra, USA Trailer Sales, W. H. Canon, Walt Disney World Florida.

I thank auction team who have been working diligently to contact these businesses. I thank those who are picking up items from these businesses.

LAST CALL FOR CYO WINTER SPORT SIGN-UPS: Please call John Durbin, athletic director, at 457-4583 for additional information and/or to sign-up for winter sports.

LATCHKEY END TIME ON NOVEMBER 11 AND DECEMBER 2: Due to the Red Wing fundraiser on Friday, November 11 and the school benefit auction on Friday, December 2, we ask that latchkey students be picked up no later than 5:00 p.m. to allow school personnel to attend these functions.

PLEASE ATTEND THE VOLLEYBALL & FOOTBALL TOURNAMENTS:

During the fall post season (quarter finals, semi finals, and finals) there will be an admission fee at all venues. The fee is \$2.00/adults, \$1/child, or \$5 maximum family. Come support our volleyball teams who are in the CYO quarterfinals tonight at the St. Patrick gym. The St. Patrick B2 (green team) is playing at 5:45 and the white team is playing at 7:00 p.m. Tomorrow our girls A1 team will play at 7:45 p.m. in the St. John gym. All finals will take place on Sunday, October 30 at SMCC. All the standings and playoff times are on the CYO website www.monroecyo.org. Good luck girls!

On Saturday, October 29 A team football tournament games will be played at Navarre Field. Again, you may check the monroecyo.org website for consolation games times and more information. The St. Patrick Boosters will be running the concession stand for the 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. games and we encourage you to support them.

NATIONAL EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM TEST: On November 9 at 2:00 p.m. EST, FEMA will conduct a test to access the readiness and effectiveness of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) and identify incremental improvements to serve our communities in the preservation of life and property. We will not be in school that day, however, this nation-wide test will involve broadcast, radio, and television stations, cable television, satellite radio, and television services and wire line providers across all states and territories. Please be aware of this upcoming test. The school will continue its safety drills throughout the year.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

Men make history and not the other way around. In periods where there is no leadership, society stands still. Progress occurs when courageous, skillful leaders seize the opportunity to change things for the better. *Harry Truman*

Ruth Meiring
Principal

Cookie Dough Delivery

Tuesday, November 8, 2011

_____ I am available to help sort and fill cookie dough orders at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 8th.

_____ I am available to assist those picking up orders from 3 – 4:30 p.m.

Name: _____ Email: _____

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Wednesday, November 9, 2011

2:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Please indicate if you plan to attend the upcoming Parent/Teacher Conferences on November 9th:

_____ Yes, we/I plan to attend conferences at approximately _____ p.m.

_____ No, we/I are unable to attend conferences.

Name: _____

Auction Help After Weekend Masses

November 12-13, 2011

If you are able to help sell auction dinner tickets and Ultimate Christmas Tree raffle tickets in the Church Meeting Room after a Mass on November 12 or 13, please indicate which Mass is best for you.

Saturday, November 12 _____ 4:00 p.m. Mass _____ 5:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, November 13 _____ 8:00 a.m. Mass _____ 10:00 a.m. Mass

Name: _____ Email: _____

Grandparents and Special Elders Day

Thursday, November 17, 2011

_____ I am able to provide two dozen cookies for Grandparent/Special Elder Day.

_____ I am able to help set-up and/or serve at this activity beginning at 7:45 a.m.

Name: _____ Email: _____

Testimonial

Testimonials are requested to be used to market St. Patrick School. These testimonials may be used in brochures and/or used on the website or any other marketing venue that may be used. Testimonials may also be used for a PowerPoint presentation that will be utilized the night of the benefit auction on December 2nd. By filling out this testimonial form, you give permission to the school to publish what you have written, including your first and last name.

Name: _____

Your testimonial:
