



FRIDAY FACTS

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Weekly Calendar

Monday, October 30

Book Fair Begins

Tuesday, October 31

Happy Halloween

Wednesday, November 1

8:30 a.m. Student Body Mass

(All Saints' Day) - 8E

4:00-8:00 p.m. Parent/Teacher

Conferences

Full Day of School for Students

Thursday, November 2

8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Parent/

Teacher Conferences

No School for Students

Book Fair Ends

Friday, November 3

Post Conference Day—No

School

Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 5

Daylight Savings Time Ends

Wednesday, November 8

8:30 a.m. Student Body Mass—

2B

Dinner Auction Raffle Trike Race

Between Mrs. Gordon & Father

Ben after Mass @ the Church

5:00-7:00 p.m. Child Safe

Environment Workshop @ St.

Mark's School in Auditorium

Friday, November 10

8:30 a.m. Late Start Friday

Spirit Day

Dinner Auction Raffle Winners get

to Slime Mrs. Gordon

7:00-9:00 p.m. 7/8 TVCS Dance @

Sacred Heart

Saturday, November 11

Veteran's Day

9:00 a.m.-Noon First Reconciliation

Retreat @ Church

Rake Up Boise

A Letter From Our Pastor

Dear Parents and Friends of St Mark's,

Heroic Virtue

We approach the 500th commemoration of the Protestant Reformation this October 31, 2017, when we remember the now infamous Martin Luther (founder of Lutheranism) who tacked his 95 theses onto the Wittenburg church door, beginning a division from which Christianity is still recovering. What has changed and what has stayed the same?

This is what has stayed the same, namely: 'Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever' (Hebrews 13.8).

On our FORMED website (www.FORMED.org, parish code KFR83M), we have an opportunity to better understand how a revolution began. Two educational CDs currently available that I bring to your attention are: 'Understanding Luther' and 'Heroes of the Catholic Reformation.' They are also available in our Lighthouse Media Kiosk near the parish office. Listen to these (and others) while taking your student disciple(s) to school, while you're driving, shopping, or at home.

Heroic virtue is what Saints in their time lived and what we are called to live, even in the most chaotic of times. The Catholic Church has a response to protesters of the faith and it is one we as faithful Christians are called to hear, understand and proclaim.

God bless you all and may the light of faith continue to shine in our future through our children.

Father Ben Uhlenkott

PS: What else happens on October 31st? Trick or Treat! See the [attached flyer](#) and please join us.

A Letter From Our Principal

Dear St. Mark's Families;

We are blessed! We've had a very exciting, productive, fun week that once again reminded me how blessed we truly are to be part of this amazing community. It was wonderful to see the amount of school spirit displayed by our students during Red Ribbon Week. The Salt & Light radio broadcast was phenomenal. I was extremely moved by the way the students were able to share their faith experiences so openly. Our 6th graders returned from MOSS this afternoon having experienced a beautiful week in God's great outdoors. The graduate students that run the program had nothing but wonderful things to say about our students. Polite, kind, smart, great problem solvers and generous were just a few of the words they used to describe them. Please be sure to enjoy the many pictures from this week on our Facebook page and in this edition of Friday Facts.

Today marks the end of the first quarter. Wednesday and Thursday of next week we will hold parent teacher conferences. Middle school parents do not need to sign up for a specific time, but pre-K through 5th grade will need to do so. Instructions are in Friday Facts and have been emailed to all parents. If you need help signing up for a time slot, please don't hesitate to call the office.

Our report cards will have a new look this year and may be changing as the year progresses. We have been working with the Diocese to generate a common report card, but it is still a work in progress due to the varying needs of the Diocese's 13 schools. I am confident your child's teacher will be able to communicate how your child is performing at school during conferences and answer any questions you may have.

Have a blessed weekend.

Donna Gordon

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NEXT WEEK'S LUNCH HELPERS

Monday (30)—Glodowski, Gilman

Tuesday (31)—Smith, Kriete

Wednesday (1)—

St. Mark's offers a healthy, delicious hot lunch to students and staff EVERY FULL DAY OF SCHOOL!

3 LUNCHROOM HELPERS ARE NEEDED EACH DAY to make the lunchroom experience enjoyable for all.

Volunteers work from 11:10-12:45 and are given a free

lunch. SIGN UP in the BLUE BINDER in the School Office.

Daily Lunch Schedule: 11:20 (K-2); 11:45 (3-5); 12:00 (6-8)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

This year, Rake Up Boise™ will take place on Saturday, November 11th. The senior citizens and disabled neighbors benefiting from our hard work very much look forward to seeing us on this Saturday. Please complete the

[PERMISSION FORM](#) for both students and parents so we have a good count for yards and doughnuts.

PLEASE BRING YOUR RAKES, GLOVES AND OTHER EQUIPMENT THAT MAY BE USEFUL IN HELPING CLEAN UP AROUND THE ASSIGNED YARDS. Neighborhood Works, who sponsors the event, is asking for donations this year to help with the cost of paper leaf bags. If you would like to donate, please visit <https://nwboise.org/rake-up-boise/buy-a-bundle/>. Just make sure to note St. Mark's School in the comment section so we get credit for donations.

Book Fair Volunteer opportunities include cashiering and take down. Dates are Monday, October 30-Thursday, November 2. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31 AND WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1 @ 7:00-8:00 A.M. Sign up at <https://signup.com/go/UtRSKNv>.

We will need 5 volunteers to help with Thanksgiving Lunch on Thursday, November 16. You must have taken SEW to volunteer. If your child is in Grades 4-8 and you have enjoyed the Feast in the past, please consider volunteering. Please sign up in the blue Volunteer Binder outside the School Office.

Home & School Happenings

You may **PICK UP YOUR ONLINE AUCTION ITEMS** in the St. Mark's School Auditorium at the following times:

🔊 Friday, October 27, 2017 from 11:30am - 2:30pm

🔊 Saturday, October 28, 2017 from 2:00pm - 5:00pm

Online item payments can be made with check or cash during the pick up times.

The School Office has a pair of prescription glasses that were left at the Dinner Auction.

Seeking two brave and incredible leaders to take on next year's Dinner Auction. This is a great time to join the incredible Home & School Association and shadow all that is happening with the auction. Learn from and work with this year's pros, Mrs. Thiel and Mrs. Webster.

The teachers and staff of St. Mark's proudly present the return of **CAMP LIONS!** Enjoy a date night out while your children head off to "camp" with a special staff lead activity of their choice followed by dinner!

WHEN: 4:00pm - 7:00pm Friday, February 23, 2018.

LOCATION: St. Mark's School

COST: \$50.00.

SUPER HEROES IN TRAINING—Sponsored by Mrs. Jensen and Mrs. Jankowski—Do you love Super Heroes? Then this is the camp for you! Join us as we create various art projects and complete Super Hero agility training all inspired by Super Heroes! (grades K-2)

MAD SCIENTIST—Sponsored by Mrs. Behrend and Mrs. Brennan—Want to experience wacky science experiments that involve all your senses? Chemical reactions, science magic, and of course, dry ice! You will even end the evening with some supplies to practice your experiments at home! (grades K-5)

GLAM NIGHT—sponsored by Mrs. Wolbach and BK girls—Enjoy an evening of make-up tutorials and learning the latest braiding techniques. Campers will leave with a goodie bag and lots of new tips! Campers need to bring their own make-up. (grades 6-8)

LEGO CAMP—Sponsored by Mrs. Brady and Mrs. Boesiger—Do you live for Legos? Get ready to build the night away as you spend time being creative and building anything you want with great friends! (grades 2-8)

CAKE POP CAMP—Sponsored by Mrs. Rivas, Mrs. Van and Mrs. Brinegar—Join our Awesome Office Ladies, as they share their talents for creating and decorating fabulous cake pops! Good chefs know you have to taste your creations to make sure they are delicious and of course to share with all the other campers! (grades 3-8)

MAKE A BID to stmarksauction@yahoo.com for the following items:

- 1 Hour Private Volleyball Lesson @ Club Idaho Volleyball & 2 T-Shirts (value \$55)
- 2 weeks of kickboxing classes @ Legacy ATA Martial Arts (2 available, value \$35)
- 4 Passes for One Round of Golf @ Canyon Springs Golf Course, Twin Falls (value \$120)
- 4 Raptor Reef Water Park Passes @ Raptor Reef Indoor Waterpark, Hayden ID (Exp 4/30/2018, value \$97)
- Family or Group Outdoor Photo Session [Jim Peterson Flashpoint Photography](#) (value \$250)
- Cheer Camp basket - two (2) insulated double walled tumblers with straws, Idaho Cheer fanny pack, cobalt blue dri-fit Idaho Cheer shirt, Idaho Cheer Hat and \$100 gift certificate to Idaho Cheer (value \$150)
- One (1) month of Cello Lessons with instructor (and St. Mark's parent) Rita Soltesz. Each lesson is 30 minutes and once a week (value \$80)
- Office Chair (value \$50)



SPORTS NEWS

October

30 7GB @ Emmett
8GB v. Emmett

November

1 7GB @ Middleton
8GB v. Middleton
6 7GB @ Caldwell
8GB v. Caldwell
8 7GB @ Vallivue
8GB v. Vallivue
13 7GB v. Nampa West
8GB @ Nampa West
15 7GB v. Kuna
8GB @ Kuna
27 7GB v. Sage Valley
8GB @ Sage Valley
29 7GB @ East Valley
8GB v. East Valley

December

4 7GB @ Mountain Home
8GB v. Mountain Home
6 7GB v. Lone Star
8GB @ Lone Star

The TVCS website, where you can find registration forms and sports schedules, is <https://sites.google.com/a/sacredheartboise.com/tvcs-athletics-treasure-valley-catholic-schools/>



**HAPPY HALLOWEEN
ON TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 31.
STUDENTS WILL
NOT BE DRESSING**

IN COSTUME ON HALLOWEEN but are encouraged to **Dress Up as a Saint on Wednesday, November 1 for All Saints Day.** Students are permitted to wear their saint costume to Student Body Mass.

Parent/Teacher Conference sign up schedule is ready for you to pick your timeslots—Visit https://www.ptcfast.com/schools/St_Mark_s_School
Conferences will be held on Wednesday, November 1 from 4:00-8:00 p.m. with a half hour break for dinner and on Thursday, November 2 from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Conferences for students in Grades 6-8 will be held arena style in the gym (no time slots reserved, come at your convenience during conference hours.
Conferences for students in Preschool will be held at the Preschool only on Thursday, November 2 only from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Ski School Program



School program offered for 3rd-12th grade (7-18 years). No one over the age of 18 is permitted in the program.

School Nights program is offered at 5pm and 6pm (Monday-Saturday)

Lessons are mandatory for the School Nights program

Pricing:

\$35.00 per student includes lesson, rentals, and lift ticket

\$25.00 per student includes lessons and lift ticket

No difference in pricing if student has a season pass or equipment.

For every 10 kids you are allowed one free chaperone lift ticket.

Transportation:

School Nights program comes with a bus as part of the \$35.00 fee

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THIS PROGRAM, please email schooloffice@stmarksboise.org. If we have enough interest, Mr. Schaffeld will sign St. Mark's School up for this program.

5TH AND 6TH GRADE SKI FREE PASSPORT PROGRAM—VISIT [HTTP://SKIIDAHO.US/PROGRAMS/PASSPORT](http://SKIIDAHO.US/PROGRAMS/PASSPORT). CLICK ON THE APPLICATION LINK TO SUBMIT YOUR INFO ALONG WITH THE ONE-TIME \$15 PROCESSING FEE. AN E-MAIL WILL BE SENT TO YOU WITH A PASSPORT THAT GIVES YOUR 5TH GRADER THREE FREE DAYS AT 18 LOCATIONS, AND YOUR 6TH GRADER TWO FREE DAYS AT 16 PARTICIPATING LOCATIONS.



It's that time of the year! **Support our 8th Grade Legacy Project—**

It's getting cold outside and before you know it, there will be snow....and Christmas will be here. Help support our St. Mark's Catholic

School 50th graduating class by purchasing your [holiday greenery](#) from one of our wonderful 8th grade students. Money from this fundraiser will be used to leave behind a gift to our school in appreciation of the gifts our children have received from our school and church community over the years!

We will have 8th graders selling greenery next week after school and after Masses the weekend of October 29th. If you have any questions, please contact our sales coordinator and 8th grade parent, Sharon Fischer.

The Bishop Kelly Foundation at Bishop Kelly High School, will hold its 41st annual Winner's Choice Dinner and Auction November 11 at the Boise Centre. Tickets include dinner for two and a chance to win a new car from the Auto Ranch Group! The theme for the evening is "Scary, Scary Knight". Proceeds provide operational support and need-based scholarships at Bishop Kelly. For tickets or more information, visit bishopkellyfoundation.org. A fun concurrent online auction will run 10/31 through 11/17 at bishopkellyauction.org. You may also contact Rita Franklin at rfranklin@bk.org or 208-323-4789. Thanks to all the parishes and schools for your support of Bishop Kelly High School!



STUDENT HIGHLIGHT

Your student could be featured here



**Thanksgiving Feast on
Thursday, November 16
For Parents AND student in
Preschool-3**

Modified Lunch Schedule: Preschool @ 11:00,
Kindergarten @ 11:10, 1st grade @ 11:15, 2nd grade @
11:20 and 3rd grade @ 11:30

**Parent's Lunch is \$5.00 and Students lunch is
\$2.75, students in Grades 1-3 will scan their
lunch card as normal.**

A payment envelope was sent home with each student in
Preschool-3, please return payment in that envelope to
the school.

**(FINAL deadline to reserve your lunch is
Thursday, November 9, NO EXCEPTIONS)**

The **November Lunch Menu** is attached.



Our 6th, 7th & 8th graders are collecting
new and gently used hats, gloves and
scarves for Catholic Charities. This is in
conjunction with the Jr High Rally. Please
send your items to school through the end of
November.

Boise Cotillion is celebrating its 20th year! Over 2,900
Treasure Valley Children have participated in Boise
Cotillion, and many from St. Marks. The Inaugural Ball is
in two weeks on November 9th. It would be great to see
St. Marks students.

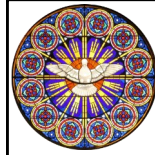
Boise Cotillion

Serving grades 4th-9th

Social Graces and Dancing

www.boisecotillion.com - [Invitations](#)

THE **NOVEMBER MONTHLY CALENDAR** IS
ATTACHED.



Church Connection

November 1st, All Saints Day, is a Holy Day of
Obligation

Mass times: 8:30am, 12:00pm and 7:00pm

On November 2nd, All Souls Day, you are invited
to join Father Ben at Cloverdale Cemetery to commemorate our
faithful departed at 12pm (Cloverdale Cemetery: 1200 N
Cloverdale, Boise, ID 83713). There will also be Mass at St. Mark's
on the 2nd at 8:00am and 7:00pm.

Noel Boutique—The St Marks CCW Noel Boutique gives talented
parishioners and community neighbors the opportunity to display
and sell their handcrafted toys, jewelry, collectibles and baked goods.
If you are interested in participating in this year's event being held
November 18th and 19th, Please contact Faith Ann Swayne at
faithannswayneccw@gmail.com or call (208) 373-2971.

Under the coordination of St. Vincent de Paul
Society, all seven Boise and Meridian parishes as
well as several congregations of our Protestant
friends, provided over 2,200 turkeys with all the
fixings for a complete Thanksgiving dinner last year.
St. Mark's parishioners have been consistently very
generous to this project, and provided 359 of those
Turkeys and boxes. Sign-ups to donate a Thanksgiving
Food Box will be held before and after all Masses the
weekends of Nov. 4-5 and Nov. 11-12. Look for us at
all the entrances to the church. You will be provided
with a list of food items needed for the dinner as
well as a cardboard box. Food boxes must be returned
to St. Mark's on Sunday, Nov. 19 between 8:00 a.m.
and 11:30 a.m. You may also sign up to volunteer
with food box collection on Nov. 19 or with food box
distribution at the Fairgrounds on Nov. 20 and Nov.
21. Please contact Jeanette Jackson at 208-378-0827
if you have questions or if you would like to
volunteer.

Giving Tree—It's that time of year again and the Christmas Giving Tree
Program is fast approaching! Do you know a parish family who could use our
help this Christmas? If so, please call Sarah Kirkendall at 208-866-6200.
Thanks again to all who donated time, money or gifts to the program last year.
Over 650 gifts were distributed to families and individuals in need because of
your love and generosity!!"

Save the Date! Ecumenical Community Pot-Luck Dinner on **The Feast of St Nicholas,**
December 2nd, Mass 5pm, Dinner 6pm, Advent Concert 7:30pm. Please help us
welcome those in our community who need hope this Advent season by
attending our first annual Feast of St. Nicholas.



Box Tops for Education

The Box Tops have been tallied and the results ARE IN....

Here are the results of each class:

Brennan-33
Ricks- 85
Baker- 111
Schuette- 112
Enrico-132
Boesiger- 170
Jensen-237
Risch-306
Bernstein-411
Wolbach-604
Judy-724



[Click here](#) to see a list of all the products that support BoxTop\$

Please help me congratulate the winning class: Jankowski: 749!! They will be enjoying a Super Hero Party soon!

ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1ST - All Treasure Valley



Catholic School 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students will attend a junior high rally at Bishop Kelly High School. See the [Rally Poster](#) for details of the day. **ALL 6TH, 7TH &**

8TH GRADE STUDENTS will need to be dropped off at BK by 8:00 a.m. on December 1 and picked up by 2:00 p.m. Each student will need a sack lunch. WE ARE IN NEED OF 10 PARENT VOLUNTEERS (who have taken the Safe Environment Workshop) TO ACCOMPANY STUDENTS FOR THE DAY. Each student and chaperone must print the attached Registration and Medical Release and Field Trip Permission Slip and return it to school by Friday, November 10. St. Mark's School is paying the \$15 fee for each student to attend.

NOTES FROM THE NURSE — Be Seen this Halloween!



Pedestrian injuries are the most common injuries to children on Halloween.

To keep your trick-or-treaters safe in the neighborhood, here are some tips from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP). <http://shar.es/1Pv0oS>

- Plan costumes that are bright and reflective. Consider adding reflective tape or wearing glow necklaces with costumes.
- Make sure costumes fit. Masks can limit vision and oversized costumes can cause trips and falls.
- Carry flashlights or a glow-in-the-dark treat bag.
- Remain on well lit streets and always use the sidewalk.
- Watch out for cars! Cars may not see little ghosts and goblins. Just because one car may stop, doesn't mean others will.
- Cross the street as a group in designated crosswalks.
- Porch light off? Move on to the next house.
- A parent or responsible adult should always accompany young children on their neighborhood rounds.

Kim O'Sullivan, RN
Saint Alphonsus School Health Program

Through the St. Alphonsus School Health Program, Mrs. O'Sullivan, our school nurse, is at St. Mark's on Wednesdays and Mrs. Placido, CNA, SASHP Assistant is here on Tuesdays

Idaho Book Fairs

In the Auditorium

October 30-November 2

Hours:

Monday, Oct. 30th

11:30 am-12:45 pm

2:30 pm-4:00 pm

Tuesday, Oct. 31st

Family and Friends Day

***Featuring Coffee and Donuts*—+**

7:00 am-8:00 am

11:30 am-12:45 pm

2:30 pm-4:00 pm

Wednesday, Nov. 1st

7:00 am-8:00 am

11:30 am-12:45 pm

2:30 pm-4:00 pm

Thursday, Nov. 2nd

8:00 am-11:00 am

NOTES FROM THE COUNSELOR—Love and Logic has been teaching about “The One Year Plan” for over 30 years. This plan is a guide to help your children succeed in school. There are 12 points that this One Year Plan uses and we are in part 3 of sharing them with you this month.

9 of 12—Don't pay your children for good grades and don't punish for bad grades. Be excited about the good grades and sad for the children about their bad grades.

10 of 12—Have your children bring home papers. Look at the right answers instead of the wrong ones. Don't correct the wrong answers leave this for the teacher. Have your children explain the reasons for the answers being right. If they don't know, give them three choices: a) You cheated. b) You tried hard. Or c) You are getting smarter in that subject.

11 of 12—Expect this love and logic program to take about one year before you see good results. Remember that children who have a hard time at school need to get away from it for a while each day. More homework and problems at home about school won't help. Don't complain to teachers that they should give this child more homework. Use this program instead and you will see amazing results in one year. Fight with your children and their teachers about homework and the problem will still be there in years to come.

12 of 12—Love and Logic parents remember that highly successful people put most of their efforts into their talents and maintain minimal standards on everything else.

That concludes the One Year Plan from Love and Logic. Have a safe and happy Halloween.

Joe Lipetzky Psy.D.
Ms. Jen Boehm. LCPC

Dr. Joe Lipetzky, our school psychologist, is at St. Mark's on Monday and Friday mornings
Mrs. Jen Boehm, our school counselor, is at St. Mark's on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.