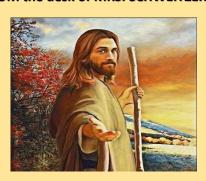
ST. ANTHONY COUGAR CONNECTION

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FROM the desk of MRS. SCHWEITZER



For the 2025-2026 school year, our theme will be "Come Follow Me." In the Gospel of John 10: 27-29, Jesus says, "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand."

What do these words mean to us as disciples of Jesus? During this Jubilee year in our church, we are called to be "Pilgrims of Hope." We are supposed to contribute to our Church's mission of unity and charity. John 10: 27-29 shows that Jesus knows us inside and out; He knows everything about us, and He loves us deeply. Jesus is our "Good Shepherd", and we are "His flock" who are called to listen to His will for us and follow Him. In order to do this, we must try to learn and understand scripture and the traditions of the Catholic church.

This school year, we will spend time focusing on the Sunday Gospel readings and what they tell us about how we, as Pilgrims of Hope, are to follow Jesus, so that when our Good Shepherd says to us, "COME FOLLOW ME", we listen, follow, and become a more unified Church.

Gospel Reading: John 2: 13-22 Word of the Week: adversaries

Prayer for the week: Jesus, Judge of the World (Acts 10: 42), help us to be strong in our faith and protect us from all

temptations.

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Anthony Catholic School accepts the responsibility, along with the parents, to educate students spiritually, morally, and academically in a safe & caring Christian atmosphere. Each individual is assured academic achievement and develops social and emotional growth while embracing the gospel message of Jesus Christ.

VISION STATEMENT

St. Anthony Catholic School's vision is to work together as a team composed of students, parents, teachers and staff in a positive manner to build strong, spiritual children who give witness to their faith.

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION — For weather emergencies, emails will be sent and the local news stations will report any delays or closings. Automated phone messages will also be sent—as a reminder, the call will show from Carlisle, KY. Mrs. Schweitzer will make a test call today. If you do not receive a call, please contact the school office tomorrow.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! The Texas Roadhouse/Mike's Carwash gift card fundraiser begins next Wednesday, November 12th. All information about this important fundraiser will come home next Tuesday, November 11th with students. The fundraiser will last until Monday, Dec. 1st. These gift cards can make great gifts for loved ones and friends during the holiday season! Please support our PTO by purchasing a gift card or two.

<u>REPORT CARDS</u> – First Trimester Report Cards are available for viewing on Sycamore. If you have trouble logging in, please let us know.

<u>GOLD STAR NIGHT</u>—This Wednesday, Nov. 12th our St. Anthony PTO will sponsor a Gold Star Night. Visit Gold Star in Latonia or drive through between 4PM and 9PM and St. Anthony PTO will receive a percentage of receipts from our St. Anthony support!

<u>PTO NOVEMBER MEETING</u> – The PTO organization will hold its monthly meeting next Tuesday, Nov. 18th in the school library. Join us as we discuss upcoming events and fundraisers.

CINCINNATI CYCLONES – Next Tuesday, Nov. 18th Grades 5-8 will be heading to the Heritage Bank Arena to watch the Cincinnati Cyclones in action on the ice while learning about some Science topics also. They will be going by bus to the arena and will be out of the building for lunch, so ALL STUDENTS MUST PACK A LUNCH AND DRINK TO BRING WITH THEM. They will return to school by the end of the day. Permission slips were sent home for this event last week.

GRADES K-4 FIELD TRIP – Grades K-4 will be going on a field trip to listen to the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra next Wednesday, Nov. 19th and then after the concert will head to the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption in Covington to see the impressive organ that is there and to learn a little more about music. They will travel by school bus and will be out of the building for lunch. For this reason, ALL STUDENTS MUST PACK A LUNCH AND DRINK TO BRING WITH THEM. BE SURE TO INCLUDE A LITTLE SEPARATE SNACK IN CASE THEY GET HUNGRY BEFORE THEY ARE ABLE TO EAT LUNCH. Your child should be bringing home a permission slip today for this event.

FAMILY FALL NIGHT -- Friday November 21 from 6:30 - 9:00 in Fleming Hall we will have fun activities planned for those families who have signed up to attend! This is a great night to meet new families and have lots of fun with your own family at the same time! The evening will begin with dinner from Texas Roadhouse, compliments of our Boosters and PTO Organizations. After dinner your family will have fun creating a family fall wreath to take home and enjoy! Your family will also have fun playing fall-themed games! Raffle baskets, prizes, snacks, drinks, fun and more!! We really look forward to seeing everyone there!

Also, each homeroom is being asked to organize a basket to be raffled off that evening. Students should have brought home information about the basket. *Please send in donations of items or money to help with the basket.*

REMINDERS – Makeup (including nail polish and artificial nails) is NOT to be worn in school. Students are not permitted to wear face or body make-up, but are permitted to wear fingernail polish on out of uniform days. Also, boys' hair may be no longer than to the collar, and in front, hair should not hang in the student's eyes and should be neatly trimmed and groomed. Please ensure that your children are following these handbook guidelines.

Also, our diocesan school lunch program does not allow outside fast food to be brought in. Sodas/sugary drinks/sports drinks should not be in water bottles. Soft drinks/sodas should not be packed in a lunch brought from home.

SCHOOL PHOTOS –School photos have been sent home with students. A retake day was requested here at school, however, it has been scheduled at the Lifetouch Studio in Crestview Hills on December 1st. Lifetouch has communicated if a parent / guardian feels their student's photo is not captured perfectly they should reach out to ijrivera@lifetouch.com to schedule a time to bring their student in on December 1st.

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT--The Holy Cross High School cheerleaders and coaches are sponsoring a Polar Express fun(d)raiser Saturday, December 6th from 6-9pm in the Finn Center/Holy Cross Gym on the corner of 36th and Church Streets in Latonia. Ages 4+ (must be potty trained) for \$25 per child/\$50 family maximum. Wear pajamas, bring a blanket and pillow to enjoy the movie, snack, crafts, and games. register, to the school go website www.hchscov.com and click on the advertising flyer contact Karen Bunton at karen.bunton@hchscov.com and we can send you the form.

PLANNING AHEAD

- TUESDAY, NOV. 18[™] PTO MEETING @ 7PM
- TUESDAY, NOV. 18[™] CYCLONES FIELD TRIP GR. 5-8
- WEDNESDAY, NOV. 19TH SYMPHONY/CATHEDRAL TRIP GRS. K-4
- FRIDAY, NOV. 21ST EARLY DISMISSAL 11AM
- WEDNESDAY, NOV. 26TH FRIDAY, NOV. 28TH SCHOOL IS CLOSED THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

WEEKLY LUNCH MENU

- Tuesday Cheese or pepperoni pizza
- Wednesday Crispitos
- Thursday Roasted Turkey
- Friday Cheese Ravioli
- Monday Chili Cheese Coneys

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- WATER BOTTLES There are no water fountains available in the building. Water refilling stations are available. Each student should bring their own water bottle.
- <u>DISMISSAL</u> Please be sure to arrive at school to pick up your students ON TIME and in the designated area that you have been instructed to park in. Traffic tends to become a problem if cars arrive once dismissal has occurred. Students line up in the school based on the area they will be dismissed to. The bus should depart BEFORE any cars leave the parking lot. If you have questions, please contact the office.