

# ST. ANTHONY COUGAR CONNECTION

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FROM the desk of MRS. SCHWEITZER



***God Rules! This month, we will focus on the Fifth Commandment: "You shall not kill." This commandment calls us to respect ALL life.***

***Jesus taught us that ALL people have value. He taught us that we should not act out of anger or use angry words because doing so causes harm and pain to others. In Matthew 5:44 Jesus says, "Love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you."***

***Our challenge this week will be to:***

***Apologize to someone whose feelings we have hurt.***

***Prayer for our school year: "Dear God, please grant us the strength to be your faithful followers. Help us live out these Ten Commandments so that we may grow closer to you each day and be reunited with you in Heaven. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior... Amen."***

**THE PLAYHOUSE IN THE PARK** – Tomorrow, Tuesday, Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> Grades 5-8 will be attending a performance of the Christmas Carol at the Playhouse in the Park. SINCE STUDENTS WILL BE RETURNING AFTER LUNCH IS SERVED, STUDENTS ARE ASKED TO PACK LUNCH TOMORROW – If they do not pack their lunch, PBJ will be available at school. We thank Covington Catholic High School for offering their bus and securing a driver for this trip!

**NO SCHOOL** – Next Friday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, school will be closed for the Holy Day of the Immaculate Conception. There will be Mass offered at St. Anthony at 8AM and 6PM on this day.

**HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST** – All 8<sup>th</sup> Graders planning to attend a Diocesan high school are asked to register to take a placement test on Saturday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>. Students should take the test at the high school they wish to attend. Please call the high school office at which your child will attend if you have any questions about the test.

**ONLINE AUCTION** - PTO is conducting our annual online auction in February to help raise funds for building improvements to our school. If you would like to donate gift cards or new/unused items, or know a business that might like to donate something for the auction, please email [school@stanth.org](mailto:school@stanth.org) and we can forward your email to the PTO representatives who are working on this event. No donation is too big or small as we pair items for baskets, etc. Thank you for your support!

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**PARENTS NIGHT OUT- RSVP REQUIRED!!!!** On Friday Dec 15, from 5:30pm - 9:30pm, St. Anthony PTO/COF invites you to leave your children with us for a fun Christmas evening, while you have time to shop and prepare for the Christmas holiday!! We will meet in **FLEMING HALL!** Everyone is invited to join us! The evening for the children includes PIZZA, snacks and drinks, (no cooking for you!), Santa's Gift Making Shop, Crafts, Games, and more!! (Pre-school siblings are welcome to come - they MUST be fully potty-trained :-)) It will be a very FUN night! ALL of this is included for just \$14 a child, or \$22 a family - and you have the evening for yourself!! Money may be turned in anytime between now and Friday December 15. *7th and 8th graders may earn service hours as determined by their cooperation and helpfulness throughout the evening.* **Please RSVP by MONDAY December 11th, either by written note to the office or email to Lisa Faulhaber at [lfaulhaber@stanth.org](mailto:lfaulhaber@stanth.org)**  
We look forward to this fun night!

**DRAMA CLUB – We will meet EVERY Monday from 2:30 - 4:30 until further notice.** We are excited to have a huge cast! We will be very busy on Mondays creating and writing our own story! We have several great ideas already in process! We will perform our story on stage in Fleming Hall in the evening of Thursday March 14, 2024!! Monday meetings will continue to be in the cafeteria and include a snack and a drink. We will assume your child is staying for the meeting unless you send a note telling us otherwise. When coming for pick-up, parents please park in the lower playground lot OR the upper playground lot, NOT in front of school and I will walk the children out to you at 4:30. Parking in the lower and back lots keeps the children safer because we are not walking up the driveway as cars are trying to leave. I appreciate your help with keeping our students safe. For any questions, email Mrs. Faulhaber, [LFaulhaber@stanth.org](mailto:LFaulhaber@stanth.org)

### "GOD RULES"

#### 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.*

#### IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Dismissal is a busy time. Please do not allow children to run & play on school grounds at the end of the day. With more students & vehicles coming and going we need to ensure everyone is picked up safely. Thank you for your cooperation.
- There are no water fountains available in the building. Water refilling stations are available. Each student should bring their own water bottle.
- Please wait until all students have been dismissed to depart the parking lot after school. Thanks for your patience!

#### 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.*

#### PLANNING AHEAD:

- PTO MEETING WEDNESDAY, DEC. 13<sup>TH</sup> @ 7PM IN THE LIBRARY
- NO BUS SERVICE MONDAY, DEC. 18<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH THURSDAY, DEC. 21<sup>ST</sup>
- EARLY DISMISSAL @ 11AM THURSDAY, DEC. 21<sup>ST</sup>
- CHRISTMAS BREAK THURSDAY, DEC. 22 THROUGH TUESDAY, JAN. 2<sup>ND</sup>
- CLASSES RESUME WEDNESDAY, DEC. 3<sup>RD</sup>

#### LUNCH THIS WEEK

- Tuesday – Hot Dog or Chili Coney
- Wednesday – Chicken Alfredo
- Thursday – Confetti Pancakes
- Friday – Cheese Bites
- Monday – Fiestada Pizza or BBQ Chicken Pizza

