

# ST. ANTHONY COUGAR CONNECTION

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FROM the desk of MRS. SCHWEITZER



*This month, our theme will focus on the First Commandment, which is “I Am the Lord your God; you shall not have other Gods besides me.”*

*This means we must put God first in our lives. He should come before anything or anyone else. We should love Him with all of our hearts. Jesus teaches us how to live this commandment by the way he lived. Even when he was tempted by Satan, He did not sin and He followed God’s will using what he knew about scripture to strengthen Him.*

*Our challenge this week is each morning pray: “Thank you, God, for giving me this day. Help me use it to glorify you.”*

## WELCOME TO THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR!!! MEET OUR FACULTY, STAFF, AND VOLUNTEERS!

- Mrs. Lisa Faulhaber – Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Reading
- Ms. Patty Reams – Grade 2 & Grade 1 Math, Science & Social Studies
- Mrs. Veronica Schweitzer – Grades ¾ Principal, 3rd and 4th Grade Religion, Science & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Math
- Ms. Karen Bell – Grades 5/6 Religion, 5-8 Social Studies, 5-7 Math
- Mrs. Carole Simon – Grades 7/8 Religion, Grades 5-8 Science, Grade 3 Math, Grades ¾ Social Studies
- Mrs. Bement – Gr. 3-8 Language Arts
- Mrs. Jackie Benkert – Art and Library
- Mrs. Tina Walter - Title I Reading and Math Teacher
- Sr. Suzanne Rose – Grade 8 Math
- Sr. Mary Ellen – Grades ½ Reading Aid
- Sr. Paula Gohs – Religion Grade 1
- Mrs. Julie Morano – Cafeteria Mgr.
- Mrs. Lisa Bottom – Secretary
- Mr. Tom Martin – Maintenance & Custodian
- Father Ivan Kalamuzi – Pastor

## MEET OUR NEW STUDENTS & FAMILIES

We welcome the Aguilar Diaz, Morano, Wadley & Ford, Aguilar Perez, Moore, Aguilar Aguilar, Aguilar Chun, Gipson, Deleon Simon, Reynosa Aguilar, & Hernandez Aguilar families to our St. Anthony community, along with the following students:

- Kindergarten – Francie, Mary, Frankie, Sheyli, AJ, & Haley
- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade – Sheila, Ignacio
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade - Dary
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – Kelin, Anthony
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – Brandy, Roycen
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade – Tevin, Keiryn, Meylin
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – Melvin
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Miranda & Christian

## *"GOD RULES"*

**SCHOOL GROUNDS CONSTRUCTION** – As part of our ongoing safety enhancements around school, a gate is being installed on the upper playground parking lot. The gate will be closed during the school day after morning drop off. As a result, the morning drop-off traffic pattern may be altered slightly as only one car will fit through the gate at a time. Please be patient and extra careful in the mornings as everyone gets used to the gate.

**WATER BOTTLES** – This week the weather forecast is HOT!! Please be sure your student (s) remember their water bottles so that everyone stays well hydrated, especially after recess.

### **ST. ANTHONY SPIRITWEAR STORE**

Our St. Anthony Spiritwear shop is OPEN!! Please visit at <https://saintanthony.orderpromos.com> . Orders will be accepted through Friday, August 25th.

**IMPORTANT NEW YEAR PAPERWORK** – An envelope with 2023 / 2024 school paperwork will be sent home soon with students. Please return the envelopes with the paperwork completed ASAP.

**ART & PLANNER FEE** – If you have not already done so, please be sure to pay the \$40 art and planner fee per family as soon as possible.

**COMMUNICATION** – This school year, the Diocesan schools will once again be using Sycamore Education for online grading. Login information will be sent home to new families. If you are a returning family and need login information resent to you, please contact Mrs. Bottom.

For weather emergencies, the local news stations will report and delays or closings. Automated phone messages will also be sent – as a reminder, the call will show from Carlisle, KY.

**PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT** .... Parent Information Night will be held on Thursday, August 31st at 6:30 PM. This is a night for parents to speak with teachers and learn about classroom procedures and routines. Additionally, teachers can answer questions that have arisen. The gathering will begin in the cafeteria and then parents will visit classrooms.

**NOTRE DAME URBAN EDUCATION CENTER** – NDUEC offers an afterschool program for students K-8 and is accepting registration. Homework PLUS provides one on one tutoring assistance with daily homework, practice on age appropriate skills and enrichment activities such as music, art, science, sewing, basketball and more! Homework PLUS is open from 2:45pm – 5:10pm Monday through Thursday. Parent Orientation is September 7, 2023 at NDUEC at 5PM. Registration paperwork is available from Mrs. Bottom. Please contact her if you'd like to register or if you have any questions.

### **HOLY CROSS HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER FESTIVAL**

Holy Cross High School's 33rd Indian Summer Festival will be on Friday, August 25th, from 6:00 pm to 12:00 midnight & Saturday, August 26th, from 5:30 pm to 12:00 midnight on the Holy Cross campus, 36<sup>th</sup> & Church Streets, Latonia. Live music on Friday by The Trailer Park Floosies and on Saturday by The Whammies. Great food, bourbon/wine tasting, beer, games, booths, prizes, inflatables, kiddie land and grand prize raffle of \$10,000 or a 2023 Chevy Trax two year lease. All profits benefit Holy Cross High School. For grand prize raffle tickets or more information visit our website at [www.holycrossfest.com](http://www.holycrossfest.com) or call 859-431-1335.

## "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!
- Asbestos is present in our building. It is contained asbestos and is maintained on a regular schedule according to all laws and regulations. It does not present a hazard to anyone in the building.

**VIRTUS** The Diocese requires all adults who enter the school building or are around school children in any capacity, must be in full compliance with VIRTUS. This requires completed paperwork on file with the Diocese, attendance at a one-time Virtus Live Training session and maintenance of monthly online bulletins. More information can be found at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). **All volunteers are required to be VIRTUS trained -- this includes classroom volunteers, field trip sponsors, room mothers, cafeteria workers, coaches, and substitutes, etc.** New parents wishing to be VIRTUS trained should register online at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). If you are transferring from another parochial school, please make sure you add St. Anthony School to your VIRTUS account. If you already have an account with VIRTUS and it has been suspended or if you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Bottom.

### 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.*

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- AUGUST 28<sup>th</sup> – SEPTEMBER 12<sup>th</sup>– Chocolate Sale
- AUGUST 29<sup>th</sup> – EL JINETE – ST. ANTHONY NIGHT
- AUGUST 30<sup>th</sup> - PTO MEETING @ 7 PM - LIBRARY
- AUGUST 31<sup>st</sup> – PARENT NIGHT @ 6:30PM – School Cafeteria
- SEPTEMBER 4<sup>th</sup> – LABOR DAY – No School
- SEPTEMBER 6<sup>th</sup> – MAP Testing

### LUNCH THIS WEEK

- **TUESDAY – Chicken Patty Sandwich**
- **Wednesday – 3 or 4 Way**
- **Thursday – Sausage & egg Uncrustable**
- **Friday – Grilled Cheese**
- **Monday – Cheese or pepperoni pizza**

### HAPPY AUGUST BIRTHDAYS!!

- **Harper**
- **Antonio**
- **Emilio**
- **Meylin**
- **Cooper**

