



Newsletter #13

November 9, 2018

Server Schedule:

11-10-18 – Mikayla and Olivia M.

11-11-18 – Holy Name Society

11-11-18 – Teagan L. and Opal S.

Recess/Lunchroom Monitor Duty this year will be from 11:50 until 12:30pm. **Recess/Lunchroom Monitoring is a great way to earn a \$5 tuition credit for every shift you work!** Click on this link:

<https://www.helpcounterweb.com/ci/signup/13b69dfb224>

Recess/Lunchroom Monitor Duty:

Monday: Lisa Donovan and Janet McKemie

Tuesday: Lisa Donovan and Katie Lombardo

Wednesday: Lisa Donovan and Tim Yohe

Thursday: Lisa Donovan and Laura McWilliams

Friday: Lisa Donovan and Oliver Moss and Laura McWilliams

Calendar

November

21 Thanksgiving Break/No School

27 School Picture Re-takes/Health Screening

December

01 Christmas House

06 Sacrament of Reconciliation for Grade 2 – 6:00p/Feast of St. Nicholas

08 Christmas Concert/Feast of the Immaculate Conception

11 Senior Luncheon Following 9a Mass

21 Noon Dismissal/End of 2nd Quarter/NO AFTERCARE

22 Christmas Break

A Note from the Principal

Congratulations to Phillip Keeley, St. James the Greater School class of 2018, as he was chosen freshman “Dragon of the Month” at St. Mary’s High School. Phillip received this honor as a result of a vote of his classmates.

The annual health screening of our students is scheduled for Tuesday, November 27. This is a free service provided to our students, and all other Catholic schools in the City of St. Louis, by Cardinal Glennon hospital. Hearing, vision, height, weight (BMI) will be screened. Blood pressure will also be checked on 5th through 8th grades.

Screening results will be given to parents. If you do not want your child to participate please contact our school office.

November 27 is also school picture retake day. Students desiring a retake should bring their original packet with them to school that day.

This is just another reminder that the online application process for Catholic and private high schools will conclude on Friday, October 16.

Once again our school families are asked to support the annual St. Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving drive. A list of requested items may be found in the school newsletter for this week.

School families might wish to consider having their children sacrificing something monetary of their own (part of

an allowance, small chores around the house) to purchase this donation.

Students will bring all of the collected items to Church at the Tuesday, November 20 school Mass.

The first Bellarmine Speech League meet of the year is scheduled for this Saturday, November 10, at St. Gabriel the Archangel School. Our participating students, with the help of our faculty moderators, have been preparing for some time and I'm sure they will do a fine job representing St. James.

Thanks to everyone-parents, students, teachers and guests-all of who helped make Thursday evening's Literacy Night and Scholastic Book Fair such a success. This was the largest turnout for our Literacy Nights so far and it was the hard work of everyone involved, along with the generosity of the Home and School Association, which made the evening such a success.

Michael Biggs

Principal

Weekly Prayer

May the light of thy faith dispel the darkness of my mind; may thy profound humility take the place of my pride; may thy sublime contemplation check the distractions of my wandering imagination; may thy continuous sight of God fill my memory with His presence; may the burning love of thy heart inflame the lukewarmness of mine; may thy virtues take the place of my sins; may thy merits be my only adornment in the sight of God and make up for all that is wanting in me. Amen.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Please note the following suggestions for our annual food drive to support the work of the St. Vincent DePaul Society. Help us make this our biggest drive yet. We know you will be generous to those in need. Join us for Mass at 8:15 a.m. on Tuesday, November 20th, in Church to present our gifts.

Please turn in your donations by November 19th

Pre K 3: Paper products—toilet paper, paper towels, paper napkins, Kleenex, face soap, dish soap

Pre K 4: Dry Pastas, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, Parmesan cheese, egg, Noodles, rice, canned ravioli, spaghetti and meatballs

Kindergarten: Potatoes boxed or canned, yams), etc. non-perishables items, Peanut butter, Velveeta cheese, canned goods, Oatmeal, no egg pancake mix, muffin mixes, syrup

First & Second Grade: Canned fruits, pudding, Jello, canned juices, syrup, canned goods, vegetables (all varieties), soups (canned or dried)

Fourth Grade: Tuna, meat products, chili, tamales, ravioli, spaghetti & meat balls, chicken and dumplings, La Choy dinners, canned goods

Fifth Grade & Sixth Grade: Baking needs, flour, sugar (white, brown), instant milk, Oil, Bisquick, hot chocolate, Hershey's syrup

Seventh & Eighth Grade: Laundry needs, detergent, fabric softener, cleaning needs, cleanser, etc. and also canned juice and canned goods

ALL MONEY COLLECTED WILL BE USED TO BUY ALDI'S GIFT CARDS!

Christmas House

Our annual Christmas House is being held Sat, Dec 1st from 9am-1pm. For those who are new to the school, Christmas House is a breakfast with Santa from 9am-11am in the cafeteria (our breakfast is amazing). There is

a craft fair, bake sale, stories with Mrs. Claus, pictures with Santa, facepainting and numerous other activities for the kids in the gym from 9am-2pm. It is a fun event and the kids love it. There will also be various raffles in the gym and each class will donate a basket of items for the raffle. We will be collecting those items over the next few weeks. The money raised from Christmas House goes right back into our school. We also will be in need of volunteers to make this event a success. Click here to volunteer:

<https://www.helpcounterweb.com/ci/signup/13b69ddd90d> Thank you for your support!

Pre K 3- Color Me Crafty (Arts & Crafts Basket)

Pre K 4- Chocolate lovers (all things chocolate, etc)

K & 1st grade- Holiday decorations

2nd & 3rd grade- Wake Me Up Before I Go Go (coffee, starbucks/kaldi gift cards, mugs, etc)

4th & 5th- Family fun night (movies, games, snacks, popcorn, pizza gift cards/ movie gift cards etc)

6th, 7th & 8th- Sports fan (Cardinals, Blues, Mizzou, sports décor, anything sports related) Stl Preferred.

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