

## St. Gregory the Great Parish School Newsletter

*Positive People, Learning, Living, and Growing in Christ Through Faith and Service*

### **"Called to Serve"**

*March 29 , 2017*

Greetings Parents and Families of St. Greg's,

We are well into the 4th week of Lent. Our students and staff have been taking part in the "One Percent Challenge" to spend 1% of their day in prayer and reflection of the day's scripture. This challenge has certainly become a daily routine, which is exactly what we were hoping for. In addition, the school has already collected over \$200.00 for the Rice Bowl Mission. We hope to beat last year's goal of \$900.00. Each quarter collected equals one meal for a person in need. Our collections are on Thursdays before the all school mass. We truly appreciate your support of our Lenten mission.

### **3rd Quarter End**

Thursday, March 30th is the end of the 3rd quarter. Report cards are scheduled to be sent home on April 13th. We are just about in the home stretch for the year. Can you believe it?

### **Drop-Off Procedures**

The new routine for drop-off seems to be reducing the amount of back-up in the line. Please be reminded that all students should be ready for a quick car exit. Parents and students who need to cross the drop-off lane should cross at the cross walks only. This includes students who are exiting the car on the left side of the lane. We have cadets who are there to direct pedestrian and vehicle traffic through the line. We ask that parents and children follow the direction of the cadet on duty. Please continue your vigilance in setting good examples for our children and encouraging safe habits.

### **School Mission Statement**

St. Gregory the Great School's mission statement serves as the focal point for all we do here. We center our words, thoughts, and actions around being positive people who learn, live, and grow in Christ through faith and service. During this year's accreditation self-study, we have been renewed in this commitment to live out our mission and identify the ways in which we do so. We have made effort to bring this mission to life every day in the ways we serve each other. In preparation for our upcoming accreditation visit this fall, I would ask that if you have a specific example of how a member of the St. Greg's school community has demonstrated our mission, you would consider sharing it with me via email, phone call, letter, or in person. I would like to document this feedback to see that we truly are living out our mission. In addition, the visiting accreditation team will be asking random people from the community- both students and parents- what they believe the school mission means.

### **Fundraiser Prize Update**

We have received word that the limo ride is in the planning stages. More info to come as I receive it.

Again, I apologize for the extreme delay in rewards for jobs well done.

Kind Regards,

Amy Schlegel  
Principal

### **LLAMADOS A SERVIR**

*29 de marzo de 2017*

Saludos a todos los padres y familias de St. Greg's,

Estamos en la cuarta semana de cuaresma. Nuestros estudiantes y el personal han estado participando en el "desafío de un por ciento", están pasando 1% de su día orando y reflexionando sobre la escritura del día. Este desafío se ha convertido sin duda en una rutina diaria, que es exactamente lo que esperábamos. Además, la escuela ya ha recaudado más de \$ 200.00 para la Rice Bowl Mission. Esperamos superar la meta del año pasado de \$ 900.00. Cada veinticinco centavos recogido equivale a una comida para una persona en necesidad. Nuestras colecciones son los jueves antes de la misa de toda la escuela. Realmente apreciamos su apoyo a nuestra misión de cuaresma.

### **El final del 3er cuatrimestre**

El jueves 30 de marzo es el final del 3er cuatrimestre. Las calificaciones están programadas para ser enviadas a casa el 13 de abril. Estamos casi en el ultimo tramo del año. ¿Pueden creerlo?

### **Procedimientos de entrega**

La nueva rutina de entrega parece estar reduciendo la cantidad de respaldo en la línea de entrega. Por favor recuerden que todos los estudiantes deben estar listos para salir rápidamente del coche. Los padres y los estudiantes que necesitan cruzar el carril de bajada deben cruzar en los paseos de peatones solamente. Esto incluye a los estudiantes que están saliendo del coche en el lado izquierdo del carril. Tenemos cadetes que están ahí para dirigir el tráfico de peatones y vehículos. Pedimos que los padres y los niños sigan la dirección del cadete de servicio. Por favor continúen estableciendo buenos ejemplos para nuestros niños y fomentando hábitos seguros.

### **La declaración de la misión de la escuela**

La declaración de la misión de St. Gregory the Great School sirve como el punto focal para todo lo que hacemos aquí. Centramos nuestras palabras, pensamientos y acciones alrededor de personas positivas que aprenden, viven y crecen en Cristo por medio de la fe y el servicio. Durante el auto-estudio de acreditación de este año, hemos sido renovados en este compromiso de vivir nuestra misión e identificar las maneras en que lo hacemos. Hemos hecho un esfuerzo para llevar esta misión a la vida cada día en las formas en que servimos unos a otros.

En preparación para nuestra próxima visita de acreditación este otoño, les pido que si tiene un ejemplo específico de cómo un miembro de la comunidad escolar de St. Greg ha demostrado nuestra misión, usted considera compartirlo conmigo por correo electrónico, una llamada, una carta, o en persona. Me gustaría documentar esta reacción para ver que realmente estamos viviendo nuestra misión. Además, el equipo visitante de acreditación estará preguntando a personas aleatorias de la comunidad-tanto los estudiantes como los padres- lo que creen que significa la misión de la escuela.

### **Actualización del premio de recaudación de premios**

Hemos recibido información que el paseo de limusina está en las etapas de planificación. En cuanto tengamos mas información se los iré diciendo. Nuevamente, pido disculpas por el retraso extremo en recompensas por trabajos bien hechos.

Saludos cordiales,  
Amy Schlegel  
Directora



The students have begun saving their money for the classroom rice bowls!  
Last year we raised \$987 as a school! This year our goal is \$1,000.

If we reach our school goal, we will celebrate with an out of uniform day and an All School Bingo Session - complete with awesome prizes!  
We collect the money each Thursday before our All School Mass. Please remember to bring in your donations which will help so many people in need!  
Donations are accepted until **April 12th**.

(Mrs. Michelle Zakula, Pastoral Associate)

## Attention! Upcoming Spring Concert Information!

Dear St. Greg's Families,

With the arrival of Spring, our **2017 Spring Concert** is fast approaching and it will be held, **May 10, 2017 (1pm and 6pm) in Tenpenny Hall**.

The students have been working very hard and I am very excited about the concert. This year's theme is **"Folksongs and Festivals Around the World"**. It is wonderful to see the students learn about other cultures and sing music in other languages from around the world. In addition, I am sure many of you would like to know about the **"Dress Code"** for the concert. The students are being asked to wear their **"Church Best"** clothing. That means dresses, skirts, ties of any color. There should be no writing on the shirts. Please, no jeans or shorts. The students are always welcomed to wear their school uniform. Please choose proper shoes so the students are able to walk safely. They will need to walk up and down risers so please keep that in mind.

Finally, I would like to remind all families that **Spring Concert Attendance is Mandatory** and is 20% of the student's grade for the Final Quarter. "Excused" absences will be given to students due to sickness or being out of town. There must be a **written letter from a parent** giving the reason for the absence. A **written assignment** will be given to those students with "Excused" absences and it will be **due by Wednesday, May 24th, 3pm**. Attendance is expected at both performances. An "unexcused" absence from either performance will result in an incomplete grade.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [mzampino@stgregsmil.org](mailto:mzampino@stgregsmil.org) or call my cell, 262-325-4445.

Thank you so much and I look forward to see everyone!  
Blessings!

Mrs. Zampino, Music Specialist

## Dress Down Days for Spaghetti Dinner

Fridays, March 31st, April 7th, May 12th

Students may be out of uniform on these dates when they bring in a \$1 donation towards the children's raffle baskets for the Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser. Please be sure to review the out of uniform policy in the parent handbook for appropriate attire on these days. Students in violation will be asked to change and/or forfeit any remaining out of uniform days.

## Save the Date!

St. Gregory the Great Parish School Annual Spaghetti Dinner  
Sponsored by Home and School Association  
Date: **May 20, 2017 at 4:30 pm**

Hello St. Greg Families,

We will be hosting a spaghetti dinner again this year and we hope to see you and your family members there. As you know, this is one of our TOP fundraisers of the year. The money raised will help fund the Playground Project as well as additional activities for the teachers, students, and families throughout the year. At this time, we would like to reach out to any

individuals that are willing to help with the event this year. We need at least 40 volunteers the day of the event in order for this event run smoothly. Please email us at [StGregsHomeAndSchool@gmail.com](mailto:StGregsHomeAndSchool@gmail.com) if you are interested in helping with the event. At this time, we are also asking for any suggestions on ideas for raffle items and kid baskets so that we have baskets that each child would be interested in winning. If you know of any organizations that would consider donating to this event please let us know and we will gladly reach out to them! Feel free to email us with any questions about any volunteering opportunity.

Thank you in advance for all of your help.

Kind regards,  
Maria Diener

(Please see attached [volunteer form](#))

## Calling All Volunteers

We are in need of bakers to bake their favorite desserts for this year's Spaghetti Dinner. We are looking for some NUT FREE desserts as well this year! Donations may be sent to school on Friday, May 19th. PLEASE email me to let me know what you will be baking.

The Spaghetti Dinner is in need of a parent from each class to put together a Class Raffle Basket. Each volunteer chooses a theme and collects donations from classroom families of items fitting the theme or cash donations to purchase items. Baskets will then be raffled off at the Spaghetti Dinner on May 20th.

Classrooms in need of a volunteer are:

K4, K5, 1st grade, 2nd grade, 3rd grade, 5th grade and 6th grade

Some past raffle basket ideas have been Fun in the Sun, Coach Purse filled with gift cards, Salon products, and American Girl Doll of the Year.

*THANKS SO MUCH* for helping to make our Spaghetti Dinner School Fundraiser a success!!

If you are able to volunteer or have any questions, please contact Jaimie Sponder at [mjsponder77@gmail.com](mailto:mjsponder77@gmail.com) or 721-6698

## Christian Women Rummage Sale

The Christian Women will be having their Spring Parish Rummage Sale on April 21 & 22. Volunteers are needed to help with set-up, sorting and unloading donations. Please see attached sheet for more information if you would like to volunteer.

([volunteer form](#))

(Lillian Wiegel, Christian Women)



Come out and enjoy a delicious treat and support our school!

Home and School is having restaurant night at  
**Daddy Yo's Frozen Yogurt.**

4874 S 74th Street, Greenfield, WI 414-817-1100  
**Thursday, April 27th, 2017 11am - 9pm**

10% of sales will be given to St. Greg's. No flyer is needed.

## St. Gerard Scholarship

The St. Gerard Scholarship is now available. Please follow the links below for application. The deadline for the scholarship is **April 7th**. Please bring in the application and supporting documents to the school office.

[Scholarship Information](#)

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## Tax Deduction

Tax Day is coming up on April 18, 2017. Don't forget to claim your private school tuition tax deduction! For more information, please follow the link below.

<https://www.wcris.org/its-tax-time/>

### Attachments:

[March Breakfast Menu](#)

[March Lunch Menu](#)

[March Calendar](#)

[April Breakfast Menu](#)

[April Lunch Menu](#)

[April Calendar](#)

[Catholic School Annual Report](#)

[Home and School Winter Newsletter](#)

[Youth Choir/Schola Newsletter](#)

### Links:

[Power School Parent Log In Instructions](#)

[Surviving the Deep Freeze: 5 Ways to Keep Kids Safe this Winter](#)

## Mark Your Calendars

### March 31st

Dress Down Day for \$1 donation towards Spaghetti Dinner kid's basket ([flyer](#))

Fish Fry 4:30-7pm (Tenpenny Hall)

### Sunday, April 1st

Youth Choir and Schola sing the National Anthem for the [Milwaukee Admirals](#)

### April 14 - 21

Easter Break

### Friday, April 21st & Saturday, April 22nd

Christian Women Rummage Sale (Tenpenny Hall)

### April 26th

Home & School Parent Meeting, 6pm (Tenpenny Hall)

**April 27th**

Home & School Restaurant Fundraiser at Daddy Yo's, 11am-9pm ([flyer](#))

**April 30th**

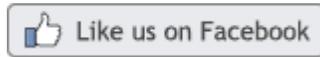
Young Artist Exhibition (Tenpenny Hall)

**May 1st**

Ice Cream Social & Young Artist Exhibition (Tenpenny Hall)

**May 10th**

Spring Concert, 1pm & 6pm (Tenpenny Hall)



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