

Saint Clement School Saint Clement School

We invite our students to achieve a solid academic foundation, enlivened by the Gospel, which will enable them to become problem solvers, communicators, and caretakers of the world.

MARCH

Family Bulletin

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Dear Parents,

As most of you already know, we have some very important events coming up at Saint Clement School. **Our annual Book Fair is scheduled for Monday, March 16th – Monday, March 23rd.** This year's committee, headed by Jenny Winter, has added many great products and entertaining events to help raise money for our wonderful school. Also, please be sure to join us in the Saint Clement Dining Hall on **Sunday, March 22nd for the Home & School Brunch.** The Book Fair will also be open as the Brunch takes place from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.

We are still looking for individuals to help set up for the Book Fair at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 15th and to help with the Brunch. An envelope has been sent home containing more information. Thank you to everyone who gives of their time to help out at these events and everyone who provides us with raffle prizes. We would especially like to thank Catholic Knights Insurance and Paul Hill for once again donating a television for a door prize.

Monday, March 16th will also be our kick-off for this year's Pizza Sale. This sale will feature many different pizzas and other great treats. People really look forward to purchasing these delicious products each year to support Saint Clement School.

Our Kindergarten Round Up was a very successful day. Thank you to Mrs. Straka, Mrs. Crosby, and the Kindergarten class for organizing this event. If you or someone you know were unable to attend and would like more information or a registration packet, please contact the office.

Yours humbly in Christ,

Josh

PLEASE RETURN YOUR KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

PACKETS TO THE OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Parent / Teacher Conferences – The third quarter will come to an end on Tuesday, March 24th. Report cards will be sent home on Monday, April 6th with an envelope for parents to sign and return. Parent / teacher conferences will then be held on the evening of **Wednesday, April 8th**. We have made a slight change to our policy as these conferences will not be mandatory for everyone. However, if the teacher, student, or parents request to have a conference, one must be scheduled. More information will be sent home at a later date to schedule your conferences.

Brunch News – The Home and School Brunch sponsored by Catholic Knights will be held on **Sunday, March 22nd**. The information was sent home in an envelope on Friday, March 6th. In the envelope was a sign up sheet to volunteer for that weekend and ten raffle tickets for you to sell. Families that sell over 50 raffle tickets will receive two free adult tickets for the brunch. There are also prizes for the top three students selling raffle tickets. Please return your volunteer sheet by Monday, March 16th. Worker sheets will then be sent home on Wednesday, March 18th. Also, we are still in need of a coffee cake baker for Saturday, March 21st. Thank you!

Spring Program – The theme for this year's Spring Program is "Saint Clement is American Made" and is scheduled for **Wednesday, May 6th at 7:00 p.m.**

Interpretive Reading / Poetry Contest – This year's contest will be Poetry. For parents who are new to this event, this is an all school project and not that of an individual teacher. Students may pick a selection of their choice and will be judged on poise, delivery, mastery, and interpretation. The top five students from grades 1, 3, and 5 will present their selections to students and parents on Wednesday, April 1st at 1:45 p.m. The top five students from grades 2, 4, and 6 will present their selections to students and parents on Thursday, April 2nd at 1:45 p.m. On Friday, April 3rd, the top five students in grades 4, 5, and 6 will present for a panel of judges. We will then have an all school assembly in the gym at 2:30 that afternoon for a medal presentation.

Lunch Fees – Fourth quarter lunch fees will be **due on Tuesday, March 24th**. The cost is \$88.00 for regular price lunch and \$17.60 for reduced price lunch. For those who have not paid their 3rd quarter fees... please take care of this responsibility A.S.A.P. Thank you.

Easter Break – Saint Clement School will have Easter Break from **Thursday, April 9th – Monday, April 13th**. Classes will resume on Tuesday, April 14th.

Rice Bowls – I hope all of you have been using your Home Calendar Guides and Rice Bowls to help pray, fast, give, and learn this Lenten season. We will be collecting rice bowls following Easter Break and present them at Mass on **Wednesday, April 15th**.

Upcoming Fundraisers – March brings us our last fundraisers for this school year. We will be holding our annual Brunch on Sunday, March 22nd. In conjunction with the Brunch, we will also be holding our Book Fair March 16th – 23rd. Also, our annual Pizza Sale is set to kick off on Monday, March 16th. Thank you for all of your help with these important fundraisers!

TEC Retreat Weekend and Marriage Preparation Day – Our parish will be hosting a TEC Retreat March 13th – 15th and a Marriage Preparation Day on Saturday, March 21st. There are currently no other activities scheduled at school for these days and we are asking that others plan on not being in the building. Thank you.

Camp Gray – Saint Clement School students in Grades 5 & 6 will be going to Camp Gray again this year for an overnight retreat on May 11th & 12th. All students are expected to participate as this is a part of our school learning and stewardship experience. **We are also in need of parents to sign up as drivers / chaperones for this retreat.** If you are interested, please let us know in the office as soon as possible. The cost of the retreat is \$20 for students and \$40 for adults. This should also be turned into the office.

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SCHOOL NEWS, TEACHER LINKS, ETC.**

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Basketball News – Congratulations to all three of our basketball teams on a great season. The B-Boys completed an undefeated season by winning the league tournament championship to go along with their regular season league title. The A-Girls then beat previously unbeaten Platteville to also win the league tournament championship. This came after losing just 1 game and finishing second in the regular season. The B-Girls showed great improvement throughout the season and finished the year very strong. Unfortunately their season came to end with a loss to eventual league tournament champion, Menominee. I would like to thank all of the players, coaches, parents, referees, and the athletic board for all of your efforts during this very successful season.

Track News – Each year, the fifth and sixth grade students have an opportunity to participate in our parochial league track meet. This year's meet will be held on **Friday, May 15th at 4:00 p.m.** at the Platteville High School track. **We need 3-4 volunteers from Saint Clement** to help run the discus competition for this meet. No experience is necessary. Please call the office if you could help with this important event. Thank you!

Polar Plunge – Former Saint Clement School graduate and Latch Key Assistant, Morgan Winkler is taking the Polar Plunge to help Special Olympics Wisconsin. Anyone interested in helping Morgan reach her pledge goal of \$150 can pledge online at:
https://www.specialolympicswisconsin.org/pp09/pledge.asp?id_p=4064

Aluminum Can Collection – Thank you to those who remembered to bring in aluminum cans for our collection last month. Aluminum cans are collected on the third Thursday of each month. This month's collection will be held on **Thursday, March 19th**. Please deposit cans behind the school in the corner by the drinking fountain. Thank You!

Home & School News from Kathy – March is a busy month with the last of the fundraisers for this school year.

Pizza and candy sales will be March 16th - April 1st.

Our Annual school brunch is Sunday, March 22nd.

The Book Fair will be running from March 16th - March 23rd.

Watch for further information regarding these events. The Home and School Association is in need of both a Vice President and Treasurer for next year. If you are interested or have any questions about these positions please call Kathy Pozorski (723-4895) or Carla at the school. This is a great opportunity to get involved and help be a part of making decisions for our school. Happy spring!!

Scrip Notes from Linda – Lowe's will no longer allow you to pay on account with Scrip certificates. You can still pay on account with JC Penney and Kohl's. Scrip sales continue to do well. Please keep Scrip in mind for your spring shopping. Reminder: the Scrip year ends April 30th. At that time the final 1% totals will be calculated. We really have a number of families taking advantage of the 1% Scrip tuition reduction. If you still have questions about how the 1% reduction works, stop in the office and ask Josh or Carla. Thanks again for everyone's support!

In two years my children will all be gone from St. Clement School, but yet I would like to see the Scrip program continue. If someone could please step forward and begin to help out in some of the smaller ways, hopefully we can continue a fundraiser that generates the greatest amount of money for our school. At the end of this school year, we will be losing four families that have sold Scrip after the weekend masses. Also, I would like to find someone that has access to a computer and could take about 5 minutes every three months to copy and paste names to make a new schedule. If you could help in either of these two ways, please contact Linda Ihm @ 723-7997. Thanks!

Student Masses – Father Bill plans to schedule Mass for all students on Wednesdays. On the weeks that he is gone, Mass may be moved to Fridays. Please see the attached mass schedule:

All School Masses:

Wednesday, March 4, 2009	Lenten Weekday	Grade 3
Wednesday, March 11, 2009	Lenten Weekday	Grade 2
Wednesday, March 18, 2009	Lenten Weekday	Grade 5
Wednesday, March 25, 2009	Solemnity – The Annunciation of the Lord	Grade 4

March Dates to Remember:

- 8th - Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 12th - 5th and 6th Grade C.A.S.H. Roller Skating Parties
- 13th - No School – Teacher Inservice Day
- 13th - 15th - TEC Retreat Weekend at Saint Clement
- 16th - Book Fair Begins
- 16th - Pizza Sale Begins
- 18th - Book Fair: Parent / Grandparent Lunch and Book Sale
- 19th - Aluminum Can Collection Day
- 20th - Book Fair: Family Night
- 21st - Marriage Prep Day at Saint Clement
- 22nd - Saint Clement School Brunch
- 23rd - Book Fair: Last Chance Sale
- 24th - End of the Third Quarter
- 25th - Grade 3 to Care Center at 2:00