

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.”

November Family Bulletin

<http://personalpages.chorus.net/stclem>

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that the first quarter has come and gone so quickly. I guess the old adage “Time flies when you are having fun!” has proven true once again. In my opinion, everything has been running very smoothly here at school. I have to thank the students, parents, and staff for all of this. We are truly blessed to have such a wonderful community working together here at Saint Clement. I also feel very fortunate that I have a loving and supporting family as we come to a time of year we often recognize things we are thankful for. Once again, we will be making a Thanksgiving offering through the Sisters of Saint Francis to “New Beginnings” in Dubuque. This year we are asking each family to bring Toilet Tissue, Saran Wrap, Ziploc Bags, Laundry Soap or Money to be pooled for the purchase of these items. This will all go to support women and families who have been victims of domestic abuse.

Thank you and as I have mentioned before, I am always looking for ways in which we can improve our school and provide more meaningful experiences for our students. How can we improve student learning and become better Christians? I welcome any and all suggestions that you might have in order to accomplish this goal. Please feel free to contact me at school, home, or by e-mail: jensen1@tds.net.

Yours humbly in Christ,

Josh

All School Picture – Herff-Jones will be back on Monday, November 19th to take our all school picture. Please fill out the attached form and return it to school with your payment before the 19th and remember to have your children dressed appropriately for the picture.

Safe Environment Week – November 5th – 9th has been declared Safe Environment Week by the Diocese. Teachers will be presenting lessons to all students from the “Valuing God’s Gifts in Ourselves and Others” program. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact your child’s teacher or myself.

Home and School Meeting – Our next Home and School meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

CHECK OUT OUR SCHOOL WEB SITE FOR LUNCH MENUS, SCHOOL NEWS, TEACHER LINKS, ETC.

A&W Night – Josh Burr, owner and operator of A&W Family Restaurant in Lancaster, has approached me with an opportunity to raise money for our school. On Wednesday, November 14th, 2007 we will have Saint Clement Family Night at A&W. Josh has agreed to give the school a share of all sales from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. on this evening. In addition, the teachers have agreed to help serve orders on this evening. So, bring the family out to the A&W and help raise money for our wonderful school.

Parent - Teacher Conferences – The first quarter has come to an end. Parent – Teacher Conferences will be held just as they have been in past years. These will be on the evening of Thursday, November 15th and during the day of Friday, November 16th. Please return your P-T Conference slip to the office as soon as possible.

National Family Week / Family Fun Night – In conjunction with National Family Week, Sigma Alpha Sorority will be sponsoring Family Fun Night from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Youth and Ag Building on Monday November 19th. There will be fun activities designed for each member of the family. Admission is free and all are welcome.

Lifeline Screening – On Wednesday, November 14th, we will be hosting Lifeline Screening in the Saint Clement Gymnasium. The mission of Life Line Screening is to make people aware of an undetected health problem and encourage them to seek follow up care with their physician. For more information or to make an appointment call 1-800-718-7681.

Fall Festival Baskets – Our classroom baskets brought in \$591 to the church at the Fall Festival Silent Auction. The Kindergarten baskets sold for \$37 and \$46, First Grade - \$67, Second Grade - \$94, Third Grade - \$91, Fourth Grade - \$58, Fifth Grade - \$61 and \$64, and Sixth Grade - \$73. I would like to thank all of our school families for their support of the parish.

Raffle Calendars – Have you sold all of your raffle calendars yet? Please remember that we need to have all of them sold before December 31st and are encouraging everyone to have their money turned in by December 1st. If you are having difficulty selling all of your calendars please contact Carla in the office for names of people still interested in purchasing them.

Second Quarter Lunch Fees – Just a reminder that second quarter lunch fees are due to the cooks. They are \$75.25 for regular fees or \$17.20 for reduced price lunches. Milk tickets are \$5.00 for 20 cartons. Thank you.

ITBS – The Iowa Test of basic Skills has been given in grades 3, 4, 5, and 6. Thank you for helping your child get plenty of rest and a healthy breakfast each morning. We will share the results as soon as they are available. Special thanks go out to Sister Angeline for administering make-up tests for all students needing them.

Pizza Party / Limo Ride – Congratulations to those students who sold enough magazines to earn the pizza party and limo ride. I would like to thank John Schmitt, Deb Murray, Geri Reuter, Sandi Wood, and Julie Boughton for volunteering to chaperone this event. Your help was greatly appreciated!

Volleyball News – Congratulations once again to the Saint Clement Girl's Volleyball Teams! Our Seventh and Eighth Grade Girl's A-Team finished the regular season with a record of 4-4 and did a very nice job competing

in the league tournament in Potosi. Our Fifth and Sixth Grade Girl's B-Team capped off their remarkable season by winning the Mississippi River Parochial League Tournament Championship. This came shortly after they earned a share of the regular season league title by defeating previously unbeaten Menominee in their final league match of the season. The girls finished with a final record of 8-1. Way to go!

Basketball News – The basketball season is here! The boys and girls have been practicing hard in anticipation of their first game, here on Sunday, November 4th. This season we will be having a Boy's B-team, Girl's B-team, and a Girl's A-team. That means games will be played at 12:00, 1:00, and 2:00 so check your schedules for game times. I would like to extend a special thank you to this year's coaches: Katy Carroll, Renee Smith, Dick Becker, Dan Hentrich, Bruce Friederick, and Jim Mumm. We also appreciate the parents serving on this year's Athletic Board: Mark and Sandi Wood, Tom and Carol Hughey, John and Deb Murray, and Bruce and Sharon Friederick.

Cheerleading News – Thank you to Angela Schindler for once again coaching our Saint Clement Girl's Cheerleading Squad. This year's squad consists of Haley Wood, Ashley Olson, Shantelle Reuter, and Maggie Schmitt.

School Apparel – If you missed our last order of Saint Clement School and Saint Clement Basketball apparel, don't worry. We will continue to take orders until we have enough interest to place another order. Remember, these items make wonderful Christmas gifts and show support for our great school.

Aluminum Can Collection – Thank you to those who remembered to bring in aluminum cans last month. Remember, we will be having collection days on the third Thursday of each month. This month's collection day will be on Thursday, November 15th. Cans are to be dropped off by the corner of the school with the drinking fountain, on the playground side of the school.

Labels, Boxtops, and Milk Jug Caps – Just a reminder that Campbell's product labels, General Mills "Boxtops for Education" coupons, Swiss Valley milk and juice bottle tops, and Kwik Trip Milk Moola milk and juice jug caps and bag tops can all be saved to support our school.

GoodSearch.com – To date, Saint Clement School has raised \$112.37 from supporters using GoodSearch.com to do internet searches. Please help spread the word about GoodSearch.com and its new GoodShop link.

GoodShop – In 2007, GoodSearch was expanded to include GoodShop, an online shopping mall of world-class merchants dedicated to helping fund worthy causes across the country. Each purchase made via the GoodShop mall results in a donation to the user's designated charity or school – averaging approximately 3% of the sale, but going up to 20% or even more. Please log on to GoodSearch.com to learn about how you can raise money for our school.

Target – We've discovered a terrific way to raise funds for our school. It's super-easy, and all you have to do is use your Target Visa or Target Card. We will receive a percentage of the amount of each purchase in the form of a cash donation from Target through the Take Charge of Education program. It's easy. Just visit target.com/tcoe, or call 1-800-316-6142 to designate Saint Clement School. So if you're going to Target anyway, please consider using your Target Visa or Target Card. Big thanks to those who are already doing their part to make our great school even better.

A Special Note To Those Who Volunteer With Children – If you have not attended a Protecting God's Children session in the past and you volunteer with our kids in any way, such as chaperones, drivers, playground duty, etc. you do need to attend one of these very important and pertinent informational sessions. To attend, contact Bill Manthe at 723-4990 as registration needs to be done on-line via the PGC website.

Scrip Notes from Linda – The holidays are approaching fast. Please take some time to look over the order form so you can plan your holiday shopping with Scrip. Remember if you charge at Kohl’s or JCPenney you can use Scrip certificates to pay your charge card bill. Also we have added some new Scrip certificates to our inventory. They are Amazon.com \$25, Radio Shack \$25, and Younkers/Boston Store \$25. If there is something else you would like me to add to our inventory, please don’t hesitate to let me know. We will probably be ordering on the first and third Monday of November and December to handle the holiday shopping. Please try to send in your order by Friday of the previous week if possible. It just makes it easier to get the order ready for Monday. Thanks again for all of our support. Again we are having a very profitable year so far.

\$40 of Bishop’s still in inventory – any takers????????????????????

Home & School News from Adrienne – Thanks to all who helped with and walked with the St. Clement School Float for the Fall Festival Parade. This is a great way to support our school and St. Clement School was well represented! The magazine drive was also a great success...Thank You to all who spent their time and energy making this year’s drive even more successful than any other!! Great Job! The raffle calendar sale is still going on until all calendars are sold. Our goal is to have them all sold before December 31st. We all benefit from this, which is our biggest money making fund raiser, by the direct impact it has on tuition. Thank you all for your efforts.

The next Home & School Meeting is on Tuesday, November 13th at 7:00pm. Hope to you there!

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:

Thursday, November 1	Solemnity of All Saints	Grade 6
Friday, November 9	Weekday	Grade 3
Wednesday, November 14	Weekday	Grade 5
Wednesday, November 28	Weekday	Grade 4
Wednesday, December 5	Advent Weekday	Grade 3
Wednesday, December 12	Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe	Grade 6
Wednesday, December 19	Advent Weekday	Grade 5

November Dates to Remember:

1 st	- Lunch Fees Due	Dec. 1 st	- Calendar money turned in
4 th	- BB Home vs. Menominee	Dec. 18th	- Christmas Program
4 th	- Safe Environment Week		
7 th	- Parent Reconciliation Meeting		
9 th	- Early Release (11:30am)		
11 th	- BB at Dickeyville		
13 th	- Home and School Meeting (7:00pm)		
14 th	- Lifeline Screening in Gym		
14 th	- A&W Saint Clement Night (5-8pm)		
15 th	- Aluminum Can Collection		
15 th	- Evening Conferences		
16 th	- Morning Conferences		
16 th	- No School		
18 th	- National Family Week		
19 th	- Family Fun Night		
21 st	- Early Release (11:30am)		
22 nd	- Thanksgiving - No School		
23 rd	- No School		
27 th	- Gr. 5 to Care Center		

