



# ST. GERARD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

February 15, 2018

**Over \$11,565 Dollars in TRIP Credits Were Applied to Tuition Accounts for 1<sup>st</sup> Semester!**

## **DARE Graduates**

On Tuesday, January 23rd, 2018, the 5th grade students of St. Gerard School graduated from the DARE program. DARE is an acronym and stands for Drug Abuse Resistance Education Program. Forty-six students and their parents listened to the wisdom of Deputy Jon Van Core, Sheriff Reich, as well as student athletes from Michigan State University. The athletes encouraged the students to know themselves, to stay true to their family values, and to live their faith. They encouraged them to stay drug free and to keep their DARE pledge for life. Both athletes were graduates of the DARE program! The evening concluded with skits written and performed by the students. These conversations may start in 5<sup>th</sup> grade (in some families even earlier), however they must continue. The choices our children make become even more important as they get older. Finally, congratulations to Deputy Van Core on his retirement! He will be missed!

## **Catholic Schools Week**

What a week! It seemed a bit strange to actually be in school all week for our Catholic Schools Week celebration, but we weren't complaining! From crazy hats and slippers, praying as a school at the beginning and end of school, switching teachers, bowling, skating, s'mores at lunch, Hawaiian "fun" on Fun Day (thank you Melody Warzecha), and honoring our Fr. Weber Award recipient, Michelle Hart; it was a great week! Thank you to the many volunteers! We couldn't do it without YOU! Thank you PTO and Kristen Gustufson for a great teacher appreciation luncheon as well! We are grateful!

## **Book Fair Sign up Now!**

Please consider signing up to help with our school's Book Fair on March 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>. Follow the link to help us out:

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10c094aada92da5f58-2018>

## **Feeling Good Mileage Club**

Spring is just around the corner. (we hope!) St. Gerard is once again working with Sparrow to offer the Feeling Good Mileage Club. This is a free, seven-week program that takes place during recess and runs from April 9<sup>th</sup> (the day we return from spring break) through May 25<sup>th</sup>. Registration is from Feb. 1st-March 6th. If you register before the deadline date, your child will receive a personalized punch card to track their miles. Registering online is FAST and EASY. Go to [sparrowmilesclub.com](http://sparrowmilesclub.com) and sign up today. Once you register, you will receive progress reports and other information through Sparrow. If your children participated in this program last year, you may have already received an email alerting you. Your child may not participate unless they are signed up. Parent volunteers are encouraged and necessary to provide this program. For safety purposes, please do not bring younger siblings. If you are interested in assisting with this program or have any questions, please email Lindsey McCarthy at [parkslindsey3812@gmail.com](mailto:parkslindsey3812@gmail.com).



Congratulations to Erica Bingham! Winner of the Minute It to Win It Games!



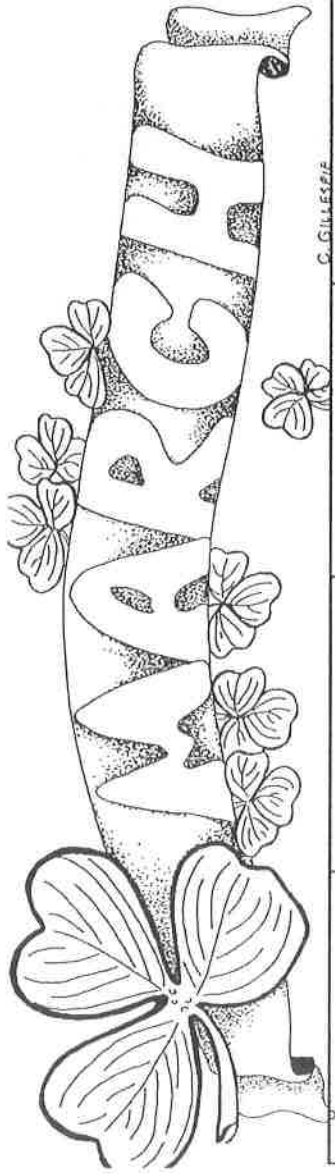
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## Upcoming Events

- Friday, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>: No School K-8<sup>th</sup>/Extended Care Open
- Sunday, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>: First Day to Order Hot Lunch!
- Monday, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>: No School Pre-8<sup>th</sup>/Presidents' Day/No Child Care
- Thursday, Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>: 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp Meeting at Fr. Weber Hall at 6:00 PM
- Friday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>: Jump Rope For Heart Assembly at 1:45 PM/Jeans-Spirit Day/3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Trip to the Capitol/Pep Assembly at 2:10
- Sunday, Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>: Last Day to Order Hot Lunch for March
- Monday, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>: Junior High Band Concert at Lansing Catholic at 7:00 PM
- Tuesday, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>: No AM Waverly Buses/5<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to the Wharton Center
- Friday, Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup>: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Activity Visit Day at Lansing Catholic
- Sunday, Mar. 4<sup>th</sup>: Regional Spelling Bee at 1:00 PM in Howell
- Wednesday, Mar. 7<sup>th</sup>: Book Fair Preview Sale/Faculty/Staff Floor Hockey Event at 6:30 PM  
Book Fair open at night from 6:30-8:00 PM
- Friday, Mar. 9<sup>th</sup>: No School/Extended Child Care Open/Staff Retreat
- Monday, Mar. 12<sup>th</sup>: Hearing and Vision Screening/Junior High Conference/No School 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade
- Tuesday, Mar. 13<sup>h</sup>: Hearing and Vision Screening/No AM Bus/PTO Board Meeting at 6:30 in the library
- Thursday, Mar. 15<sup>th</sup>: 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Play at Lansing Catholic/No Preschool/Preschool Bowling Trip



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	6 in. Jersey Giant Ham & Cheese Snack Mix Fruit Milk	Hamburger or Cheeseburger Tater tots Corn Fruit Milk	French Toast Stix Sausage Patty Yogurt Fruit Milk Book Fair	Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes w/gravy Corn Fruit Milk	Cheese Pizza Salad Veggie Fruit Milk 5 <sup>th</sup> gr. field trip	3
Daylight Savings 11	12 6 in. Jersey Giant Turkey & Cheese Snack Mix Fruit Milk Vision/Hearing Testing No School 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> gr	No A.M BUS Pepperoni Calzone Salad Corn Fruit Milk PTO mtg. Vision/Hearing Testing	14 Pancakes Sausage Link Potatoes Fruit Milk	15 Chicken Nuggets Potato Smiles Broccoli Fruit Milk No Preschool- Bowling field trip 6 <sup>th</sup> gr. field trip	16 Cheese Pizza Salad Veggie Fruit Milk	St Patrick's Day 17
ORDER APRIL HOT LUNCH 18 <sup>th</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup>	19 6 in. Jersey Giant Ham & Cheese Snack Mix Fruit Milk	20 Baked Mostaccioli Mixed Veggie Garlic Bread Fruit Milk	21 Waffles Sausage Patty Yogurt Fruit Milk	22 Chicken Tender French Fries Green Beans Fruit Milk Kindergarten field trip	23 Cheese Pizza Salad Veggie Fruit Milk End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	ORDER APRIL HOT LUNCH 18 <sup>th</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup>
Palm Sunday 25 LAST DAY TO ORDER APRIL HOT LUNCH	26 6 in. Jersey Giant Turkey & Cheese Snack Mix Fruit Milk	27 No A.M BUS Macaroni & Cheese Green Beans Roll Fruit Milk *Lucky Tray*	28 All School Mass Youth Group Passion Play Pancakes Sausage Link Potatoes Fruit Milk	29 Holy Thursday Prayer Service Cheese Pizza Salad Veggie Fruit Milk	30 Good Friday NO SCHOOL	Holy Saturday 31

February 14, 2018

Dear Families,

**This Lent our St. Gerard community will participate in CRS Rice Bowl, a faith-in-action program that will help you experience Lenten spirituality by living in solidarity with people in need around the world.**

**As we, the global Church, begin our prayerful walk through this Lent, it is especially appropriate to come together in prayer as a family reflecting on how we can live our lives more abundantly.**

**Use your cardboard CRS Rice Bowl and Lenten Calendar to guide your Lenten prayer, fasting and almsgiving.**

**As a family, read the Stories of Hope and daily reflections to inspire your Lenten journey—and motivate your Lenten giving.**

**Prepare simple, meatless meals on Fridays throughout Lent to eat in solidarity with our brothers and sisters around the world.**

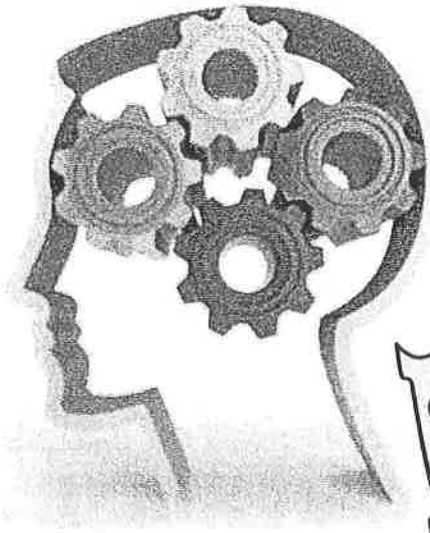
**Be sure to visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to watch videos of the people and communities whose lives your Lenten gifts are changing through CRS Rice Bowl.**

**We will be collecting your CRS Rice Bowls at the end of Lent, so stay tuned to learn more.**

**Thank you for using CRS Rice Bowl with your family this Lent.**

Sincerely,

Shelly Piecuch and the St. Gerard Staff



DO YOU HAVE THE  
BRAIN-POWER??

# St. Gerard Trivia Night Saturday, February 24

St. Gerard Parish Hall

Doors open at 5:30 pm

Trivia starts at 6:30 pm

**\$10.00 per person. (Max of 8 per table)**

**Bring your own beverages**

**Food and soft drinks available for purchase**

Come with a team or join a team that night.

You must be 18 years or older to participate.

Reserve your spot or an entire table by calling  
the Parish Office at 323-2379.

Questions: Call Deacon Jim Corder, 323-2379.

Tickets are available in the Parish Office and will be on sale  
at all Masses February 17/18 and at the door on February 24.

All Proceeds benefit St. Gerard Youth Ministry  
Sponsored by the St. Gerard Activities Commission