



March 2, 2017

Dear Parents,

During the week of March 20 - 24th our school will be holding a Jump Rope For Heart/Hoops for Heart event. This event is a fun event. It encourages community service and is educational. Our students will participate in jump rope and basketball activities as well as raise money to fund lifesaving research and educational programs. St. Gerard also earns gift certificates for physical education equipment.

Family and friends are welcome to support your child's participation by making contributions. Your child can even raise funds online. If your child collects funds online, please just print out the contribution sheet and place it in the envelope that they will return to school.

We ask that children not go door-to door or ask strangers for donations. Checks should be made payable to the American Heart Association. Participants receive thank-you gifts based on the amount of contributions they collect.

If your employer has a matching gift program, please indicate the matched amount on the Sponsor Form of the collection envelope. Asking about matching gifts can increase donations, making your child and the event more successful.

This event will take place during your child's physical education class the week of March 20 -24th. If you wish for your child to fundraise for this event please fill out the Participants Sponsor Form and return it to school no later than Friday, March 31, 2017 with the money collected.

Please support our event! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact at 321-6126 or e-mail me at cschafer@stgerardlansing.org

Thank you for your support,

Carol Schafer
Physical Education Teacher





March is Reading Month

20 for 20 Family Reading Challenge!!

“Children are made readers on the laps of their parents.” —Emilie Buchwald

“Reading should not be presented to children as a chore or duty. It should be offered to them as a precious gift.” —Kate DiCamillo

Throughout the month of March, all St. Gerard families are invited to participate in our 20 for 20 Family Reading Challenge! Each individual student has received their own 20 for 20 Calendar. On this calendar, please mark off (with an ✖ or a ✓) each day that the student and one other family member (parent, grandparent, sibling, etc.) read together for 20 minutes (reading material not for school). Depending on age level, the family member can be reading out loud with the student, or the two readers can be silently reading their own books in the same room, as long as the student and a family member are both participating in reading. As soon as the student has marked off 20 days of 20-minute family reading time in March, bring the calendar into school to be entered into a drawing for a family winner at the end of the month. The contest reading begins Wednesday, March 1st. All calendars must be turned in by Friday, March 31st. The drawing for a family prize will be held at the end of the day. Happy Reading! ☺

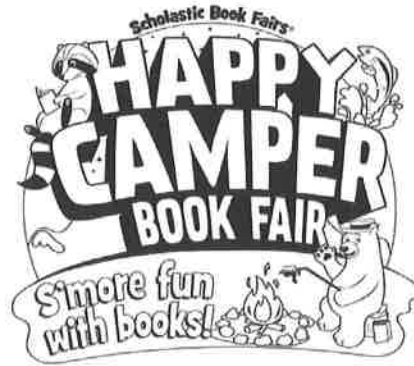
*As part of our March Reading celebration at St. Gerard, if you would like to, take a picture of any reading activity at home throughout the month and post it on social media using the hashtag **#sgsfalconsread**

Student Name: _____

MARCH IS READING MONTH 2017 20 FOR 20 FAMILY READING CHALLENGE CALENDAR

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Parent Signature: _____



BOOK FAIR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are so excited about the Scholastic Book Fair coming to St. Gerard during the week of March 6th! We are in dire need of volunteers for the book fair set-up on Tuesday, March 7th, the morning preview on Wednesday, March 8th, and the sale on Thursday, March 9th. Set-up consists of arranging the books on tables and general merchandising of our products. The Wednesday preview involves supervising the sales floor while students browse the book fair. Wednesday will also involve a few sales to preschool families. Helping with the Thursday sale involves running one of the cash registers (it's easy!) and sales floor supervision.

Shifts Available

- _____ 3/7 (Tuesday) Set-Up 8-11:30AM
- _____ 3/8 (Wednesday) Preview 7:45-10:30AM
- _____ 3/9 (Thursday) Sale 7:45-10:30AM
- _____ 3/9 (Thursday) Sale 10:30AM-1:00PM

Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

If you are able to lend a few hours of your time, please fill out this form and return to the school office by Tuesday, February 28th or find our SignUpGenius page at:
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094aada92da5f58-2017>

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Sherri Campbell at 420-2782 or sherri1976@comcast.net



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February 23, 2017

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 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 Piccuch and the St. Gerard Staff

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Lansing Catholic/ Spartan Performance Girls Youth Basketball Camp

Where: Lansing Catholic High School Gym

When: Sunday Feb 26th @ 5:00pm

Cost: \$15

Attention basketball players **grades 5th-8th!** Take your basketball training to the next level! It takes more than just basketball skills to create a great player. What you eat and how you train physically and mentally plays a huge role as well! **Call to reserve your spot!**



- ACL Prevention
- Strength
- Nutrition
- Explosive Jump Training
- Speed and Agility
- Recovery

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