



ST. GERARD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

March 17, 2016

School Registration for 2016-17

We have just over 100 current families left that haven't finished the registration process. One glitch our families have run into when re-registering is that you are asked to go to www.enrollwithsmart.com. Many computers already prepopulate the web address incorrectly to smarttuition.com. Please continue to ask and/or share your feedback with us regarding your experience with Smart Tuition. Please don't hesitate to give the school office a call for assistance.

If you have a NEW preschool or kindergarten student that you have not added in Smart Tuition, please do so ASAP. Also, if you have ANY paperwork for preschool or kindergarten as well as paperwork for grades 1-8, please return promptly. We are concerned that we may have current school families expecting to have a spot in either our kindergarten or preschool programs. These classes are filling up!

Did you hear the great news?

Congratulations to the following eighth grade students from Mrs. Jowett's 8th grade English class for placing in the Farm Bureau "America and Me Essay Contest".

First place: Isabella Gardner

Second Place: Ian McDonald

Third Place: Ally Simon



Safety Information

A few weeks ago we were alerted by the Eaton County Sheriff's Department that there was a situation that was occurring at a business on Saginaw Hwy which required us to be in an exterior lockdown. Because our exterior doors are always locked and it was well before any classes would have recess, we were able to alert teachers and parents while still going about the business of school. During this time however, we received many phone calls from parents asking about the situation. While this wasn't a heightened emergency situation, we would ask in the future that should we be in an emergency status, that you please try to keep communication with the school at a minimum so that we may keep our lines free. The school will then be able to communicate with you more efficiently as the situation changes.

Book Fair Success!

Thank you for another successful book fair! Having it run in conjunction with the Faculty/Staff Fundraising event for the 8th grade DC Trip continues to be beneficial. That night alone the book fair raised over \$4,000! Many of our parents might not be aware but our school library is not a separate line item in the budget. With Mrs. Smith's care, she is able to take the resources we earn through the book fair, various donations given throughout the year (Catholic Women's Business Group to name one!), and her good stewardship in taking care of our books to make our library the great place that it is! The book fair alone allowed Mrs. Smith to pick out well over **seventy five** new books for the library. The book fair also provides "scholastic bucks" that Mrs. Smith is able to buy much needed library supplies to organize and protect our books.

This year we have also had a special donation made to our library in the form of a memorial for our student and classmate, Patrick O'Donnell. This donation was made on behalf of the Boy Scouts where Patrick made many friends and learned so many new things! This spring Mrs. Smith will share these new books (another **15-20!**) first with Patrick's classmates in the 5th grade and then with the rest of the school! What a way to remember Patrick with books that he would have loved!



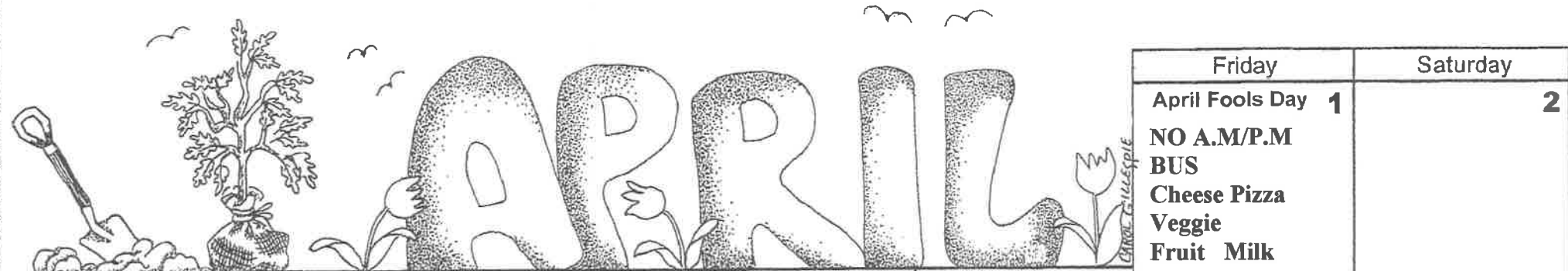
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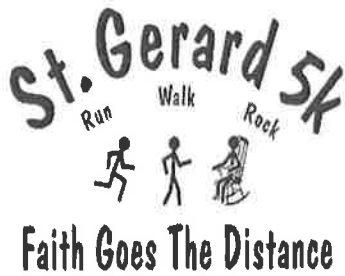
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Upcoming Events

- Friday, 3/18: 3rd grade Readers' Fair in Fr. Weber Hall from 1-2 PM
7th grade to Chicago!
Start ordering your hot lunch for April NOW!
- Sunday, 3/20: Softball/Baseball Registration from 12:30-2:00 in
Majella Room (door just west of Fr. Weber Hall)
Girl's Basketball Championships at LCHS
- Monday, 3/21: Stations of the Cross for 1st grade in the church
- Tuesday, 3/22: Grades 3/4 Girls Intramural Basketball 5:30-6:30
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- Wednesday, 3/23: Passion Play for K-8 at 1:45 in the church
1st grade CoEd Intramural Basketball from 5:30-6:30
2nd grade CoEd Intramural Basketball from 6:30-7:30
- Thursday, 3/24: End of 3rd Quarter
All School Holy Thursday Prayer Service
- Friday, 3/25: No School/Good Friday
Last Day to Order Hot Lunch for April!
- Sunday, 3/27: Easter Sunday/Children's Choir at 11:00 AM Mass
- Monday, 3/28: No School/Easter Monday/Extended Child Care Open
- Tuesday, 3/29: No PM Waverly Buses
- Wednesday, 3/30: No PM Waverly Buses
5th/6th Grade to Wharton Center at 10:00 AM
- Friday, 4/1: No AM/PM Waverly Buses
Spring Break begins at 2:45
- Tuesday, 4/12: 4th Grade Parent Chaperon Camp Meeting at 6:00 in Rm. 9
PTO Meeting at 6:30 PM in the library
- Thursday, 4/14: Kindergarten Roundup at 8:30 in Kindergarten Rooms
VIRTUS Training at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall

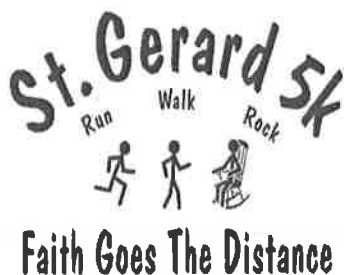


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					April Fools Day 1 NO A.M/P.M BUS Cheese Pizza Veggie Fruit Milk	2
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday		
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	ENJOY CHILD CARE	YOUR CLOSED	SPRING ALL	BREAK!! WEEK		
10	6 in. Jersey 11 Giant Ham & Cheese Pretzels Milk	All Beef Hot Dog 12 Tater Tots Fruit Milk 4th Gr. Parent mtg. for camp chaperones PTO mtg. 6:30pm	French Toast 13 Sticks Yogurt Juice Milk	NO SCHOOL 14 for Kindergarten K round up 8:30am Chicken Pattie Broccoli Fruit Milk Virtus Training 6:00pm Parish Hall	All School Mass 15 Cheese Pizza Veggie Fruit Milk 6th Gr. Field Trip	16
ORDER 17 MAY/JUNE HOT LUNCH 18th-25th	6 in. Jersey 18 Giant Turkey & Cheese Pretzels Milk	Hamburger/ 19 Cheeseburger Tater Tots Fruit Milk 1st Communion Practice 6:00 pm	Baked Chicken 20 Mashed Potatoes w/gravy Roll Fruit Milk	Mini Corn Dogs 21 Potato Smiles Fruit Milk 4th Gr. Field Trip	Cheese Pizza 22 Veggie Fruit Milk	First Holy 23 Communion 10:00 a.m.
ORDER 24 MAY/JUNE HOT LUNCH 18th-25th	6 in. Jersey 25 Giant Ham & Cheese Pretzels Milk Heart/Lung dissection	Popcorn 26 Chicken Mashed Potatoes w/gravy Fruit Milk	Bosco Sticks 27 w/ marinara sauce Salad Fruit Milk	Soft Shell Tacos 28 Refried Beans Fruit Milk Choir Concert 6:30 pm Parish Hall	Cheese Pizza 29 Veggie Fruit Milk	30



**Start training for the annual
St. Gerard 5K Run, Walk, Rock!
Saturday, May 7th at 9:30am.
Fun for everyone of all ages!**

Registration forms are available in the Parish office or online at www.stgerard.org. This is a great race for first timers and families (google a 5K training schedule and get started today!). This year to be guaranteed a race shirt you must sign up by Friday, April 15th. For questions or if you would like to sponsor or help as a volunteer, please contact Carrie Pence at 668-8219 or pences@comcast.net.



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SAT. MARCH 19TH BEAN BAG TOSS TOURNAMENT

Come out of the cold and join us for a fun evening!

Please join us for a bean bag toss tournament in the parish hall- registration for the tournament starts at 5:30, all ages are welcome! This will be a fun evening with food, drinks, and raffle prizes. The NCAA men's tournament games will be showing on the big screen all evening as well.

Tournament begins at 7:00 pm!

Go to Resurrection School Facebook page to fill out pre-registration form and reserve your spot today!

Sponsorships available

Food & drinks
available for purchase

Kids & Adult divisions
with 2-person teams
\$5 per kid
\$10 per adult

Raffle prizes for adults
and kids!

50/50 Raffles!

NCAA March Madness
Tournament showing
on big screen

Proceeds to benefit the
Shamrock Club for
school athletics

HOSTED BY
RESURRECTION
SHAMROCK CLUB
Event in Parish Hall

Saturday, March 19th

Registration begins at 5:30
and ends at 6:45