

The 8th grade students are currently learning about God's love in preparation for Confirmation. In order to share God's love with others, they are collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House, the house that *love* built. The collection will run through Thursday, March 24th.

Thank you for your support!

Pull For The House is a pull tab recycling program that benefits the Ronald McDonald House of Mid-Michigan.

The Ronald McDonald House of Mid-Michigan collects tabs from any can with a pull tab and uses the money raised from this collection to assist the house. This program raises thousands of dollars annually to help offset the cost of lodging for the hundreds of families from all over Michigan that are sent to Lansing each year to receive medical treatment for their children.



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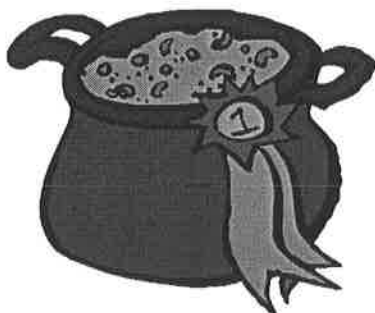
Fr. John Klein

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Pat Albright



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**Come to the
St. Gerard Chili Cook Off Dinner
& vote for your favorite!**

Saturday, February 27th

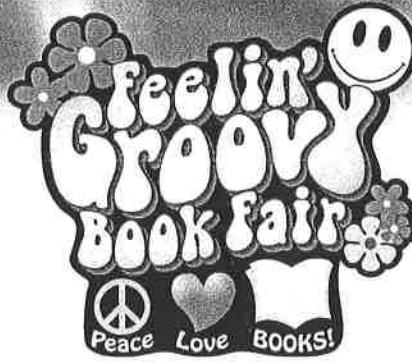
5:00PM – 7:30PM

Fr. Weber Hall



Tickets available at the door. \$5.00 a ticket/\$15.00 a family. Includes drinks, fixings, salad & dessert.

All proceeds go to the St. Gerard Guild to help provide bread and wine for the parish.



Dear Parents,

The Scholastic Book Fair arrives at St. Gerard March 2nd and 3rd! Reading is one of the most important skills you can teach a child.

Please review the attached Scholastic Book Fair brochure, which represents only a fraction of the books that will be available at the book fair. On Wednesday, March 2nd, the students will have the opportunity to preview the books. They will make a "wish list" to bring home that will include the title of the book, the section where it is located, and the price. You can send in a check or cash with your child to purchase books during the school day on Thursday, March 3rd or you can attend the book fair during our evening hours from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

The book fair will be held in the Adult Ed North Room on Thursday, March 3rd from 8:00am-2:30pm and 6:00-8:00pm. The evening hours will run concurrently with our faculty/staff floor hockey game, which will take place in the gym from 6:30-7:30pm.

Here are a few reminders:

1. Checks should be made payable to St. Gerard School.
2. Please remember to add 6% sales tax.
3. Cash is always accepted!
4. If you want your child to purchase only specific books (or if there are specific books you do NOT want your child to purchase), please indicate this on the wish list and discuss it with your child.
5. You can also purchase books from the website: www.scholastic.com/schoolbookfairs.

All proceeds from the book fair go directly to our school media center.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 517-420-2782 or sherri1976@comcast.net.

Thank you for supporting the St. Gerard Scholastic Book Fair!

Sherri Campbell



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 Tuesday, March 1st. All calendars must be turned in by Thursday, March 31st. The drawing for a family prize will be held at the end of the day. Happy Reading! ☺

Student Name: _____

MARCH IS READING MONTH 20 FOR 20 FAMILY READING CHALLENGE CALENDAR

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| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |

Parent Signature: _____

February 2016

Dear Parents:

To celebrate the kick-off of March is Reading Month, we will be having a dress-up day on Monday, February 29.

Our theme this year is "Feelin' Groovy about Books: Peace, Love, Books!" So dust off your bellbottoms and help your student design a far out look. You don't need to purchase anything special for the outfit. Jeans are fine. (No mini skirts, please!)

Please refer to the out of uniform guidelines in the St. Gerard School Handbook.

Thank you for helping us celebrate this important month.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Shelly Piecuch

Mrs. Susan Smith

Mrs. Ashley Prichard