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## **Weekly Newsletter**

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## From the Principal's Desk...

Dear Parents,

We are STILL looking for volunteers for Catholic Schools Week. We have two opportunities available and could use your help. The staff luncheon is on Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> from 11:30am to 12:30pm for grades 1, 4, 6and 7. We need volunteers to sit with these classes and help them eat lunch while the teachers all enjoy a catered meal from the Home and School Association. This is a great way to honor the staff and teachers for all of their hard work and we need your help to make it happen. There is a sign up below under the volunteer opportunities. Also, that night we will have our Catholic Schools Week celebration Soup Supper. We have a help wanted ad below with a sign up if you are interested in helping out on that night. Thank you for your support with these exciting events.

There is a list of activities for Catholic Schools Week. Please take a look and help us celebrate this amazing week by participating in whatever way you can. The students enjoy this week and the staff do as well. Please let us know if you have any questions! We are excited to see all the parents and grandparents at lunch on Wednesday! Please join us throughout the week!

Have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely in Christ,

Mrs. Leah Bethune

We are featuring a classroom of the week each week on Facebook. Be sure to make sure you have liked our page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/saintpatrickcatholicschool">https://www.facebook.com/saintpatrickcatholicschool</a>

## **School Calendar**

## January:

31-Feb 6th: Catholic Schools Week

### February:

- 1: Girls basketball@ St. Teresa's@ 7:45pm
- 5: Catholic Schools Week Celebration/Soup Supper 5-7pm in the gym
- 8: 8th grade Pius Orientation@ 7pm
- 9: Kindergarten Preview at 6pm Home and School Association@ 7pm Girls' basketball@ St. Joseph's@ 6:45pm
- 10: Ash Wednesday
- 12: 12:30pm DISMISSAL/ HSA attendees can wear jeans to school
- 15: No School: Teacher workday
- 16: Girls' basketball@ St. Patrick's@ 7pm
- 17: Confirmation Practice and confession@5:30pm
- 19: 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter midterms go home (4-8 grade)
- 22: Confirmation@ 7pm Girls' basketball@ St. Peter@ 6:45pm
- 25: Parent Teacher Conferences from 4-8pm
- 26: NO SCHOOL: Parent Teacher conf. noon to 5pm
- 29: SPIRIT DAY: Girls basketball/pep rally@ 2:30pm Girls basketball game@ ST. Pat's@ 7pm/ parents night

### 2016-2017 School Year Dates (tentative):

First day of school: August 16th (12:30 dismissal)

Thanksgiving break: November 23-25th

Christmas break: December 21st (12:30

dismissal) to January 3<sup>rd</sup> Easter Break: April 13 to 18th

Last day of school: May 24th (12:30 dismissal)





### **HELP WANTED:**

Catholic Schools Week Soup Supper and Celebration on Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>. We still need lots of help on this day.

Please help us by signing up below:

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508 054EA8AB2EA02-sign2

We still need your help for covering classrooms on Friday, February 5th for teacher luncheon. We need someone for grades 1, 4, 6, and 7th. Please sign up below if you can help! Thank you!

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508 054EA8AB2EA02-teacher2

## **Box Tops Contest:**

We will be having an ALL SCHOOL box top contest until Easter. Our goal is 15,000 box tops. We have reached 3,100 so far! Please continue to send your box tops!

<u>Kindergarten Preview:</u> All upcoming kindergarteners and their parents are invited to attend the preview on Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Call the school office for more information. Thank you!

## St. Patrick's Day Festival

Saturday, March 12th

Carnival, food, live entertainment, and a dance! Mark your calendars now!

You don't want to miss this!

Volunteers are needed, if you are interested please contact Michelle Fink at 402-440-1497

## Home and School News:

## What: The Home and School Association November Eat out Event Arbys

Where: 35<sup>th</sup> and Cornhusker

When: Tuesday, February 9th (5 to 9pm)

What: Arbys will give 10% of all the sales that

night to St. Patrick's HSA!

- Our next Home and School
   Meeting will be Tuesday, February
   9<sup>th</sup> in the School gym at 7:00pm.
- If you come to the meeting, your child(ren) will get to wear school appropriate jeans on Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup> to school.
- Free daycare will be provided by some of the St. Patrick junior high students.
  - PLEASE JOIN US!!!!

## **Volunteer Opportunities:**

Girls Basketball: we need your help!

**Dates of Games:** 

Feb. 16th and Feb. 29th

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054e a8ab2ea02-girls

Fish Fry dessert and working sign up:

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054e a8ab2ea02-prep2

Lincoln MOMS (Mothers on a Mission) is hosting our first guest speaker event, February 6th!! It is not too late to sign up for this monthly group! Refreshments and childcare provided, just bring a heart open to the Holy Spirit and other Catholic Mothers searching for fellowship, hope, and joy in our ever changing vocation! Every 1st Saturday 8:30-10 a.m. John XXIII Diocesan Center. Questions, check out our Facebook page, Lincoln MOMS or contact: Emily Villa 402-432-9814



## **Catholic Schools Week 2016**

### Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge, and Service

### Monday: Faith, Knowledge and Service in our Community and Parish:

### Community and Parish Day

- -<u>Dress up:</u> CLASH DAY: wear clothes that clash (or be in dress code)
- -Class Activity: write a letter to service workers or parish volunteers thanking them for their service and time
- \*Speaker (Gary Taylor) talks to students k-4: 2:00-2:30/ 5-8: 2:30 to 3:00pm
- -<u>All School Activity</u>: Joint Projects: older grades will team up with younger grades to work on a project together: 12:30 to 2:00pm
- -Church event: \*Adoration/Benediction@ 12:30pm (Follow attached schedule)

#### Tuesday: Faith, Knowledge, and Service in our Students

#### **Student Day**

- -Dress up: PAJAMA DAY: wear uniform to school and change into pajamas AFTER MASS (or be in dress code)
- -Class Activity: Play a game as a class
- -<u>All School Activity</u>: MOVIE DAY: prek-3<sup>rd</sup> grade movie@ 9am/ 4-8<sup>th</sup> grade movie @ 12:30pm in the gym with popcorn and bottled water
- -Church event: \*Rosary@ 2:40pm lead by students

### Wednesday: Faith, Knowledge, and Service in our Nation and Families

### Nation and Family Day (National Appreciation Day for Catholic Schools)

- -Dress up: SPORTS TEAM DAY: wear jeans and your favorite sports team shirt (or be in dress code)
- -Class Activity: Pro-life activity
- -All School Activity: \*Pius singers performance at 9:00am/
- \*invite parents and grandparents to lunch day and students will eat lunch based on their last name; 11am lunch:

last name A-H, 11:30am lunch: last name I-M, and 12:00pm lunch: last name N-Z

- \*local government speaker K-4: 1:30-2:00pm and 5-8: 2:00 to 2:30pm: Election Commissioner
- -Church event: \*Vocations Talk and daytime prayer by Fr. Morris @ 2:40pm

#### Thursday: Faith, Knowledge, and Service in our Vocations

#### **Vocations Day**

- -<u>Dress up</u>: SUPERHERO/SAINT DAY: dress up like a superhero or saint (or be in dress code)
- -<u>Class Activity:</u> Students create a Spiritual Bouquet for the retired priests, Father Schweiger, Fr. Morris, Marian Sisters, Pink Sisters, or CK Sisters
- -All School Activity: All School Bingo@ 1:30-2:30pm
- -Church event: \*Eucharistic Procession @ 2:40pm

#### Friday: Faith, Knowledge, and Service in our Faculty, Staff, and Volunteers

#### **Staff Day (Teacher Appreciation Day)**

- -Dress up: SPIRIT DAY: wear jeans and your St. Patrick shirts (or be in dress code)
- -Class Activity: Make cards for all staff and volunteers
- -All School Activity: \*Teacher vs. Student game@ 2:00-2:45pm in gym;

staff luncheon 11:30-12:30;

Staff Mass: staff does readings, song leading, choir, and serving;

make soup in classrooms in the morning/ afternoon

- -<u>Church event:</u> \*Divine Mercy Chaplet after Mass lead by teachers
- -SPECIAL EVENT: \*Catholic Schools Week Celebration and Soup Supper: 5-7pm

\*These are events all are welcome to join us!



# FEBRUARY 2016

1 Chicken Patties	2 Chicken Fajitas	3 Turkey & Gravy	4 Spaghetti & Meatballs	5 Cheese Omelet
on	Sautéed Veggies	on	Marinara Sauce	Sweet Tater Puffs
Bun	Refried Beans	Mashed	Lettuce Salad	Peas
Oven Fries	Romaine	Potatoes	Breadstick	Pineapple Tidbits
Buttered Corn	Mandarin Oranges	Green Beans	Banana	Blueberry Muffin
Applesauce		Diced Pears		
		Dinner Roll & Jelly		
8 Pork Chopette	9 Chicken Alfredo	10 Cheese	11 Chicken & Rice	12 Tuna Sandwich or
Scalloped	Romaine	Calzone	Soup	Grilled Peanut Butter
Potatoes	Corn	Cole Slaw	Peas	Sandwich
Broccoli	Banana	Green Beans	Crackers	Green Beans
Fruit Salad		Diced Peaches	Fresh Veggies & Dip	Oven Fries
Peanut Butter Twist			Oranges	Strawberries
15 NO SCHOOL	16 Chicken Nuggets	17 BBQ Ribletts	18 MexiMac	19 Grilled Cheese
	Mashed	on Bun	Corn	Sand & Tomato Soup
	Potatoes/Gravy	Pork & Beans	Veggies	Green Beans
	Broccoli	Cole Slaw	Banana	Peaches
	Dinner Roll & Jelly	Cinnamon Apple	Breadstick	
	Pineapple	Slices		
22 Chicken	23 Beef Stew	24 Chicken	25 BBQ Chicken Pizza	26 NO SCHOOL
Quesadillas	Peas	Teriyaki	Romaine	PARENT TEACHER
Refried Beans	Biscuits	Rice	Broccoli	CONFERENCES
Buttered Corn	Diced Peaches	Oriental Veggies	Strawberries/Peaches	
Banana		Bok Choy		
		Mandarin Oranges		
29 Lasagna				
Romaine				
Green Beans	lunches \$.50			
Pineapple Tidbits			-	I

USDA is an equal opportunity provider. All meals are served with choice of milk. Additional milk may be purchased for 50 cents per unit. Menus are subject to change without notice. Visitors are always welcome at St Patrick. Charge for adult meals is \$3.50, payable in the office. Please notify the office of your plans by 9:30 am on the day of your visit and always check in at the office before coming to the gym. Thank you for choosing school lunch.



Breadstick



3<sup>rd</sup> grade enjoyed their chicks after they hatched this week





2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Honor Roll









4<sup>th</sup> grade goes to heritage school





National School Choice Rally on Thursday, January 28<sup>th</sup> was attended by the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and students from Omaha and Lincoln who attend private or charter schools! Thank you for choosing to send your children to our school!





