

# ST. LAURENCE SAINTS

SPOTLIGHT OF THE WEEK - MAY 10, 2017

## CANDLE LIGHTING CEREMONY



Please join us at our All School Mass, Friday, May 19th, as our Class of 2017 graduates passes the light of leadership to our 7<sup>th</sup> graders. It is a long-standing SLCS tradition that is sure to bring a tear to your eye as we say goodbye to our 8<sup>th</sup> grade class! Mass begins at 8:15 a.m. in the church.

## IMPORTANT DATES

5/11	NJHS Meeting NEHS Meeting Choir Concert Box Tops Collection Due
5/12	Holiday - NO SCHOOL
5/13	First Communion Group Mass 10:00 a.m.
5/14	Happy Mother's Day
5/16-5/18	8th Grade Exams
5/17	5th Grade Reconciliation
5/18	Student Council End of the Year Celebration 7:15 a.m.
5/19	All School Mass Led by 7th Grade - <b>Candle Lighting Ceremony</b> 8th Grade Awards and Reception 8th Grade Luau
5/23-5/25	7th Grade Exams
5/23	School Board Meeting Iowa and CogAT Parent Information - 6:00 p.m. - Library
5/24	Jean/Spirit Day Pancakes with the Padres 6th Grade Field Trip PreK Splash Day
5/25	First Friends Ice Cream Social Saints Families
5/26	All School Mass Led by 2C / Alumni Mass & Reception Kindergarten Celebration

	8th Grade Graduation
5/29	Memorial Day / NO SCHOOL
5/30	Talent Show
5/31	All School Mass Led by Faculty End of the 4th Quarter Last Day of School Early Dismissal 10:45/11:00 a.m.



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Dear Parents,

We celebrate our Blessed Mother, Mary during the month of May. This was so beautifully represented by our 2nd graders at the May Crowning Mass, last Friday. I felt that it was fitting, as we head towards Mother's Day this weekend, that we recognize the gift of all mothers by praying the *T^{\wedge}* [ 'æ^ . We are so thankful for the gift of mothers and the sacrifices they make for their children.

Have a blessed week,

*Suzanne Barto*

### *The Memorare*



*Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, we fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, our Mother! To you we come, before you we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer us. Amen.*



## A NOTE FROM YOUR PTO



### WE NEED YOU! PROGRAM OPENINGS FOR 2017-2018

- 8th grade - Fundraiser (8th grade parent)
- 8th grade - Luau (8th grade parent )
- 8th grade - Picture montage (8th grade parent)
- 8th grade - Awards (7th grade parent)
- 8th grade - Graduation (7th grade parent)
- ECC Cafeteria Coordinator
- Main Cafeteria Coordinator
- Carpool Main Campus (PM)
- Clinic Assistant
- Family Mass Coordinators ( 2+ people)
- Father/Daughter Dance (2 people)
- ECC Field Day Coordinator

Please email Meg Thorburn [HERE](#) if you are interested.

### MAY IS TEACHER APPRECIATION MONTH

We love our teachers at St. Laurence! The teacher appreciation committee works hard all year making our teachers and staff feel special and appreciated. The committee will make the month of May even more special for all the faculty and staff. They have catered lunches and breakfasts planned, gift card hand outs and other

special treats throughout the month. The teachers are also enjoying the PTO gift of an additional half day off.

### END OF YEAR TEACHER APPRECIATION GIFT

Everyone should have received in your child's red folder last week the letter about collecting money for the end of year gift. Please turn in your contributions to your teacher in an envelope labeled teacher appreciation. They will not look inside but they know to take it to the office. You are also welcome to drop it off at the ECC or main campus front desk. All donations are kept anonymous. If you have any questions please contact Kristin Holy at [ckholy@windstream.net](mailto:ckholy@windstream.net).



## NEWS

### LIBRARY NEWS! AWESOME AUTHOR VISIT!

A big thank you to local author, Cathy Davis. Ms. Davis visited our Library and shared her wonderful stories about honeybees with our first graders! Our students truly enjoyed the visit!



### THE SLCS MIDDLE SCHOOL CHOIR PRESENTS "THE LION KING, JR!"

On *H i fgXUnž A Um %&A `Uri +. \$\$da `Jb `h Y 8 ]b]b[ ` < U`*, the St. Laurence Middle School Choir, under the direction of Ms. Johanna Bonno, will present "The Lion King, Jr." Please join this talented group of performers as they take you on an African journey where the story, songs and all of the beloved characters from the original Disney movie and Broadway musical are brought to life right here at St. Laurence! We hope to see you there! "Hakuna Matata!"

### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS SELECTED BY WITS TO PARTICIPATE IN WATCHFUL EYE READING

Congratulations! Writers in the Schools (WITS) has selected 6th graders Eshaan Mani, Giulia Pacini, and Joy Stephan as readers for their annual Watchful Eye Reading at the Menil Collection. They were chosen out of thousands of students from schools and community centers from across our city. They will attend a special ceremony on May 18th at the Menil Collection! Way to go!

### 8TH GRADE CHAPLETS

ATTENTION ALL 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PARENTS! This is the opportunity that you do not want to miss in all your hustle and bustle of the end of year activities. Your student chose their chaplet beads along with a special saint medal and cross. Each chaplet is meant to serve as a reminder of their faith as they graduate SLCS. These beautiful pieces can be purchased through the Advancement Office for \$50.

### END OF YEAR AUCTION PARTIES!

A huge thank you to all the host families for the end of the year parties that support the auction efforts. We still have availability for all grades except kindergarten. Please contact Suzanne Byrne in the Advancement office to secure your spot. All parties are \$50 each.

### SAVE THE DATE!

Our Annual Golf Tournament for Tuition Assistance will be Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at Sweetwater Country Club. Please help us to determine the start time by take this short survey [HERE](#). Mark your calendars because you do not want to miss this amazing day of fellowship and golf. Sponsorship and registration information will be available

in mid-June. Please contact the Advancement Office with any questions at 281.980.0500.

### KINDERGARTEN CELEBRATION

What a year it has been! Please join us Friday, May 26th at 10:00 a.m. as we celebrate our kindergartners and their accomplishments. Come and listen to their joyful voices in song that day after Mass!

### GRADUATION INVITATION

We would like to invite our parish family to the graduation of the Class of 2017! Please join us at Mass at 6:00 p.m. on May 26th as we celebrate our 8th graders! It is such a joyful celebration and we would love for you to be part of it! We wish them all many blessings as they move forward into their high schools and we will miss them on campus!

#### YEARBOOKS ON SALE NOW

Order your 2017 yearbook today! Yearbooks will only be sold online for a limited time at \$55. Order now before it is too late. Yearbooks will be delivered in late August. Go to [www.balfour.com](http://www.balfour.com) and type St. Laurence, and purchase using a credit or debit card.

### BOX TOPS DUE TOMORROW!

Please send in BOXTOPS and Campbell's labels to school with your child (or you can drop them off in the office marked with their class) for our collection contest. Our next collection day TOMORROW, Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. We will recognize the top three classes on May 18<sup>th</sup>!

### STAYING ON TRACK DURING THE SUMMER

- ❑ Summerbook Company: This is a way for your child to stay on track and not lose valuable academic progress over the summer. These workbooks are grade specific. We will honor completion with an automatic grade of A in the first quarter if your child brings in the certificate of completion! For online access, please use [www.summerbookcompany.com](http://www.summerbookcompany.com).
- ❑ University of St. Thomas Reading Skills Program Camp: Classes take place in Missouri City and Richmond. If you feel like your child needs the reinforcement, please contact them at 800-903-0162.
- ❑ Check our website for **SUMMER READING LIST and SUMMER CAMPS!**



## SAINTS SPORTS SCOOP

### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2017-2018 BOOSTER CLUB OFFICERS!

<b>President</b>	Jessica Barry
<b>Vice-President</b>	Rita Jonas
<b>Secretary</b>	Julie Clay
<b>Treasurer</b>	Les Fuchs
<b>Membership</b>	Reinette Zezatti and Veronica Messersmith
<b>Fundraising</b>	Ashley Jung and Brook Morello

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**BOOSTER CLUB SPIRIT STORE!** Find the Booster Club forms [HERE!](#)



## ALUMNI NEWS

### ARE YOU AN ALUMNI?

We would like to invite you to be included in our next edition of the Saints' Scoop. We want to know what our Saints been up to! Please share any information you might have on any alum [HERE!](#) Please be sure to include the graduation year in your description. Please send your questions or pictures to Adriana Gutierrez at [agutierrez@stlaurence.org](mailto:agutierrez@stlaurence.org).

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