

October 8, 2018

Dear St. Germaine families,

I hope all of you enjoyed the weekend! All students in grades 1 – 8 had a test-filled week last week, but they will be wrapping things up this week to return to “normal.” ☺

- Each year the Sacred Heart seminarian community opens their doors and their hearts to over 2,000 children from the surrounding neighborhood so that the kids can have a fun, safe place to play games and trick-or-treat. They are requesting, from all parishes, **donations of Halloween candy**, that will be passed out to the many children in attendance. If you wish to donate, please drop off candy in the school office by October 22.
- Our eighth graders will attend the **Rock and Mineral Show** at Macomb Community College this Friday.
- Plans for our **Halloween Fun Walk** are underway. Mark your calendars for **Friday, October 26** for an evening of fun: Trunk or Treating, cider, donuts, and an 8th grade sponsored Haunted Hallway.
- According to our handbook, as of October 15, shorts or skorts are no longer permitted. Beginning next week, **pants or plaid jumper/skirt only for girls (no skorts) and pants only (no shorts) for boys until March 31, for both gym uniform and regular uniform.** Refer to the handbook on our website or call the office if you need clarification.

Here’s a look at our week ahead:

Cognitive Abilities/IOWA standardized testing for 1st – 8th graders concludes

New band members meet M – W, returning band members meet T – TH after school

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| Monday, October 8 | Hot lunch orders sent home, golf class after school |
| Tuesday, October 9 | Mass with grades K – 5 at 8:30 a.m.—join us! Toddler Time! Grade 7 Reconciliation, El Charro day/night 11 am – 10 pm! |
| Wednesday, October 10 | Mass with grades 6 – 8 at 8:30 a.m.—join us! Hot lunch orders due Achatz pie sales begin, Student Council meeting and K – 3, 4 – 5 Scouts after school |
| Thursday, October 11 | Little Learners! Confirmation Prep 6 – 7:30 pm |
| Friday, October 12 | Dress down day \$1.00, eighth grade to rock and mineral show Tennis class after school |

Weekend Liturgies here at Our Lady of Hope are celebrated Saturdays at 5:00 pm and Sundays at 8:30 am and 10:30 am. *There is no better way to ensure your child develops in his or her faith life than to regularly, actively, and joyfully celebrate the Eucharist as a family.*

**October is a BIG month of celebration for Fr. Jim—29th anniversary as pastor on the 16th, Priesthood Sunday on the 28th AND his birthday on the 30th. If you wish to contribute to a group gift, we plan to get him some gift cards to some of his favorite places!
Please submit donations to the school office by October 22nd**

Have a great week and as always if you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Peace and Blessings!
Mrs. DeGrez