



Bulletin – April 21, 2010

Golden Grace for April

If you have done something wrong, it is best to admit it; you will be respected for doing so.

Important Notice

This is a reminder that there are a.m. and p.m. buses available on Thursday, April 22nd.

Student Council News

Our next student council Out of Uniform & Donut Day will be held on Thursday, April 29th for 50 cents. The theme is Super Heroes, but appropriate clothing choices are always required. Donuts will also be available for 50 cents each.

Thank you

Mr. Dion would like to thank everyone for their generosity to him and to his family. He is deeply grateful for and was overwhelmed by our gift, cards, and prayers. At this time, he is uncertain when he will be able to return to our maintenance staff, but he asks for our continuing prayers for his healing.

Science Fair

Last night the Science Fair showcased the research, experiments, knowledge, and public speaking skills of our students. The students shone! How proud we are! We would like to thank Mrs. Markert, Mrs. Rose, and Ms. Fries for leading the students to attain such success. We would also like to thank Mrs. Ruppert, Mrs. Tiffey, Mr. Buchta, and all our teachers, and our parent volunteer set-up crew for their invaluable behind-the-scenes support. Of course, thank you to all the parents for encouraging their children to strive for excellence.

St. Louis School Bake Sale this Weekend

Don't forget to stop by after all of the Masses on Sunday and pick up some yummy treats! For those of you who are baking, you can drop off your baked goods on Saturday between 3:30 – 5:30 p.m., or anytime after the Masses on Sunday to Room 301 in the Parish Hall. For more information, please contact Teresa Shafer at tdshafer@comcast.net.

Mark Your Calendars

Wednesday, April 28th in the Howard Bishop Room, Mr. Wayne Hipley will present a workshop for our parents entitled "Untangling the Web." His presentation will address how technology affects our young people and the dangers and advantages of the Internet. We would encourage all of our Middle School parents to attend and welcome any Primary School parents who would be interested. Please see the flyer attached to review Mr. Hipley's credentials. Mr. Hipley will be meeting with all of our Middle School students during the school day on April 28th to work with them on technology issues and

concerns that arise in their lives. We are looking forward to his insights and knowledge on this very important topic!

Catholic Daughters Cookbook

The Catholic Daughters Cookbook is now available! The cookbook contains 250 tried and true recipes, some from our teachers and staff, and lots of hints and tips with a special blessing from Msgr. Luca. The cookbooks are \$15 each and will be sold after the Masses the next few weekends! What a great Mother's Day gift!

Grandparents Day! – Get those forms in!

Our annual Grandparent's Day Celebration will be held on Friday, May 14th to coincide with our May Procession, but we need to get organized, so we need to know how many guests will be here! **Check with your special guests and return your response form in by THIS FRIDAY, APRIL 23rd!**

Save the Date

Our annual Grandparent's Day Celebration will be held on Friday, May 14th to coincide with our May Procession. It will be a wonderfully hectic day and we will need many, many volunteers to serve as hostesses, tour guides, table-setters, and all-around wonderful representatives of St. Louis School. Registration forms were sent home last week. **Put the date on your calendar and tell grandparents that we are looking forward to seeing them!**

Communication Welcome

Please know that the administration invites your questions and concerns. We welcome your phone calls, emails, and the opportunity to meet with you to discuss any topic that may be on your mind.

Important Notice Concerning Tuition

The last tuition payment for the 2009-2010 school year was due on March 31st. If you still have an outstanding tuition balance, it must be satisfied before payments will be accepted for the 2010-2011 school year. The first tuition payment for the 2010-2011 school year is due on April 30th. It is non-refundable and will hold your child's place for next year. Tuition statements were sent home last week for the payment due on April 30th. If you have any questions regarding your tuition, please call Mrs. Hurst in the school office.

April Banking Winner

Our Banking Winner for the month of April is Donovan Tepe (1B). Congratulations, Donovan!

Spirit Wear

Effective immediately, students may wear Spirit Wear sweatshirts as part of their gym uniform. The Flynn and O'Hara sweatshirt with the knight may still be worn. Since we are selling the sweatshirts as Spirit Wear, we want to give the students the opportunity to wear them on more occasions.

St. Louis Band Fundraiser

We're raising funds for the St. Louis Band! Proceeds from products purchased through our Pampered Chef fundraiser will go directly to the St. Louis Band for new equipment and band awards for our children. You can shop online at www.pamperedchef.biz/tammyloiselle or by using the catalog and

order form which was sent home with your child last week (extra forms are in the school office). For an additional fee you can choose direct shipping to your door! All orders are due by April 27th. **Let's go Band!**

Red Polo Shirt for 8th Graders

As the warmer weather is upon us, we have decided to offer a red St. Louis polo shirt as another option for our 8th graders. **The red sweatshirt may still be worn if it is not ripped or torn. Order forms were sent home last week. If you need additional order forms, they will be available in the school office.**

Spring Book Fair is Coming!

Our Spring Book Fair begins Monday, May 10th and runs through Friday, May 14th in the Library. Grandparent's Day is on Friday, May 14th, and grandparents will be able to visit the Book Fair with their grandchildren during the morning and after the 12:00 p.m. dismissal. We will need volunteers to set up, to take down, and to be cashiers during the book fair. Any help will be appreciated, and this is a fun way to earn school volunteer hours!! Please contact Mrs. Ryder, the librarian, at jryder@stlouisparish.org if you can assist. Thank you!!

Spring Concert 2010

St Louis Church Concert Series presents the Spring Concert 2010. The concert is featuring Ms. Kate Douglass, Mr. Neil Ewachiw and our band teacher Mrs. Weglein. The concert will be held at St. Louis Church on Sunday, April 25th at 4:00 p.m. Come and support our church!

Sunshine Box Lunch Campaign

In celebration of Child Abuse Prevention Month in April, Illuminations and the Child Abuse Prevention Programs of Catholic Charities will be holding the 6th Annual Sunshine Box Lunch Campaign in collaboration with Baltimore area Honey Baked Ham stores. Purchase Sunshine Box Lunches for a group of 10 or more and get free delivery during the week of **April 26th – 30th**. Box lunches are \$10.00 each. Individuals can also participate by making a donation at one of six participating stores during the entire month of April. Proceeds will benefit the Illuminations program of St. Vincent's Center, a Catholic Charities' program dedicated to preventing and mitigating the negative impact of child abuse on children, families, and communities. Visit a local Honey Baked Ham store (Timonium, Perry Hall, Severna Park, Catonsville, Bel Air, Columbia), go to www.childsafeeducation.org/Sunshine.pdf, or call 410-252-4000 ext. 1602 for more information.

First Day of School

The first day of school for the 2010/2011 school year will be **Wednesday, August 25th** with a 12:45 p.m. dismissal. **The first day for Pre-kindergarten and Kindergarten** will be **Wednesday, September 1st**.

Last Day of School for the 2009/2010 School Year

The last day of school this **school year for grades 1-7** will be Friday, June 11th with an 11:30 a.m. dismissal. The last day for Pre-K is May 27th; the last day for Kindergarten is June 2nd.

Orientation Meetings for Parents of New Pre-K and Kindergarten Students

The Pre-kindergarten Parent Orientation meeting will be Monday, August 23rd at 6:30 p.m. in Howard Bishop Rooms A & B. The Kindergarten Parent Orientation meeting will be Tuesday, August 24th at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall of the Parish Center.

Third Annual Laps for Learning

Keep collecting those pledges! St. Louis School will hold its **Third Annual Laps for Learning Fun Run for K-8 on Friday, May 28, 2010, and our Pre-K event will be held on Monday, May 24th**. Sponsor Sheets were sent home before Easter to collect pledges and donations from family and friends. All donations will directly benefit the school and are fully tax-deductible. If you need additional Sponsor Sheets, please stop by the office or download one from the website. Contact Mrs. Lynne Layug at thelayugs@verizon.net for more information. Don't forget our online option!! You can donate through Google Checkout, or register a pledge online and send a check! Spread the word to family and friends! <http://www.stlouisparish.org/school/lapsforlearning>

St. Louis Golf Classic

Where are all of our golfers?? Our golf committee has been working hard on this great event to benefit our technology program! We have wonderful and generous sponsors...**three hole-in-one prizes**....including a **Rolex**, a **2010 Chevrolet Malibu**, and a **Residential solar installation** for those environmentally conscious folks out there! **Check your calendars, call your friends and fill out those registration forms!** For more information contact Mike McGarvey at mike@columbiavalve.com.

St. Louis Summer Camp

Summer camp will be held from July 12th through August 13th. The camp Information flyer and registration form are posted on the school website. New and exciting events are planned for campers this year!

Community News

The **Howard County Autism Society** will be holding its Fifth Annual Pieces of the Puzzle Gala-An Evening of Celebration of the Arts on Saturday, April 24, 2010, 7:00 p.m. to Midnight, at the Turf Valley Resort. Come with friends for dinner, dancing, open bar, live and silent auction . . . a wonderful evening to help an organization whose mission is to serve individuals and their families living with autism in our county. Tickets are \$100 per guest. For more information, please email Jeanni.Hines@howard-autism.org or Call 410-290-3466.

Spring Fling Dance

The **St. Louis Knights of Columbus** is hosting a **Spring Fling Dance** on Saturday May 1st from 6:30 p.m. to Midnight, and would like to invite all parents and staff to attend. Tickets are \$30 and include dinner (chicken, ham, etc), beer, wine, setups, and live music by "Phat City of Baltimore!"

Catholic Daughters Bingo

The **Catholic Daughters** will hold their 4th Annual **Vera Bradley Basket Bingo** on Friday, May 21st in the Parish Hall. The cost is \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. There will be 20 games, 3 specials, raffles, door prizes, food, fun...and all of those cute Vera Bradley bags and accessories! Please come out and support these great ladies who do so much to support our school! Children over the age of 10 are welcome, too! Tickets are available after Masses on May 8th & 9th and May 15th & 16th or call **Kathy Pasis @410-750-6370** to reserve your ticket.

Scholarship News

Daniel Comberiate received the Brother Isidore Scholarship from Mount Saint Joseph High School. This award is a four- year, half- tuition scholarship. Congratulations, Daniel!

Alumni News

Venezia Ferraro Shiblee, a St. Louis 2008 graduate, has made Good Counsel's first honors this grading period and has been accepted into the school's International Baccalaureate Program. Congratulations, Venezia!

Commendations

N.U.T. or Peanut Card

We would like to congratulate the following students for receiving a N.U.T. or PEANUT (No Uniform Today) card over the past few weeks. They have been recognized for various types of behavior including: wearing school uniform to Sunday Mass during Catholic Schools Week; helping with Catholic Schools Week Open House; helping out in the classroom; helping to make a friend feel better; helping in After Care; stepping in to help out in a situation; helping to zip a friend's coat; cleaning up the floor; and finding a friend's glasses.

Alexandra Abrams

Jordan Hobson

Madison Mayer

Emma Bentley

Maria Kaschak

Katherine McGivern

Giuliana Del Buono

Paul John Kaschak

Mary Oliver

Olivia Docal

Rachel Kaschak

Megan Reed

Kate Eger

Tess Kostelec

Caroline Stallings

Alex Gloyd

Garrett Lash

Bridget Tiffey

Liam Herlihy

Kai Lewis

We are very proud of all of you! Keep up the good work.

Sent Home Wednesday

Untangling the Web flyer (Grades 5-8)

Sent Home Electronically

Before Care & After Care Letter

Before Care & After Care Registration form

Bingo flyer

Grandparent's Day Response form

Knights of Columbus flyer

Upcoming School Lunches

Thursday, April 22nd – Pizza, cheddar popcorn and a cookie

Tuesday, April 27th – Chick-fil-A sandwich, chips and a fruit cup

Wednesday, April 28th – Mini burgers, potato tots and lemonade ice

Thursday, April 29th – Pizza, applesauce and vanilla ice cream cup

Reminders

Thursday, April 22 nd	A.M. & P.M. Buses Available (Schedule change for Howard County – in session as a snow make-up day) Beginner Band Lessons during the day Symphonic Band 3:45-4:45 p.m.
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Friday, April 23 rd	Sports Club 4:00-5:30 p.m. grades 5 & 6
Saturday, April 24 th	Saturday Detention 8:00-10:00 a.m. Service Day 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 25 th	School Bake Sale after Masses
Monday, April 26 th	Art Club 3:45-4:45 p.m. Primary Chorus 3:45-4:45 p.m.
Tuesday, April 27 th	School Mass 9:30 a.m. Primary Elections for Student Council Officers Concert Band 3:45-4:45 p.m. Spanish Club 3:45-5:00 p.m. Grade 3 Drama Club 3:50-5:00 p.m. School Board Mtg 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 28 th	Homework Club 3:45-4:30 p.m. Yearbook 3:45-4:45 p.m.
Thursday, April 29 th	Student Council sponsored Donut Day (50 cents) and Out of Uniform (50 cents) Beginner Band during the school day Symphonic Band 3:45-4:45 p.m. First Communion Rehearsal 4:30 p.m. in the church
Friday, April 30 th	Sports Club 4:00-5:30 p.m. Grades 5 & 6

Please pray for those who are sick

Carol Sauter, friend of Mrs. Riser (Middle school teacher)
Clee Crudup, family friend of the DeNicola family
Owen Sinex, teenage friend of the DeNicola family
Abbie Pfau, a St. Louis graduate, who is recuperating from surgery
Julie Faber, St. Louis graduate and sister of Emma (2A) Faber
Kelliann Penn, mother of Megan (7A) and Molly (Pre-K) Penn
Diane Miller, friend of Mrs. Devroye (1st grade aide)
Alice Nelson, grandmother of Brian Hudson (6A)
Mary Kolb, mother of Therese (1A), Maria (2B), Elizabeth (6B), and Joshua (8B) Kolb
Rita Johnson, great aunt of Meghan (3A) Layug
Richard McClelland, great uncle to Maria (KA) Rew
Patti Gelak, mother of Mary Kate (3A) and Tommy (6B) Gelak
Steve Scott, brother-in-law of Mrs. Coble (middle school aide)
Angie Secrest, family friend of Garrett (6A) and Griffin (6B) Connors
Phil Kenney, friend of the Connors family
Mary Pane, great- grandmother of Claudia (3A) and Erica (1B) Sweitzer
Lauren Pettit, friend of the Hossick family
Sister Marie Marguerite Murphy, friend of Sr. Lois
Marie Hakala, friend of the Bell family
Mike Kuffel, friend of the Shouse family
George `Chip' Rogers, grandfather of Ryan (2A) and Jessica (KB) Hoffman
Don Mitchell, uncle of Kyla Mitchell (5A)

Please pray for those who have died

Christine Finnegan, aunt of Sharon Rogers, and great aunt of Connor (6B) Rodgers

Joseph William Pfeifer, Jr., uncle of Paul and Stephen Lafleur (former St. Louis students)
Mary G. Shipe, grandmother of Francis, Amelia, and Louis Schmidt (former St. Louis students)
Relatives of the Menelas family (Briannah 8A) who lost their lives in the earthquake in Haiti
Debbie Roth, a former tutor for some of our St. Louis students
Anna Wise, great-grandmother of Emma (8B), Carter (5A), and Maggie (2A) Williams
Gene Poletto, grandfather of our former students, Michael and Anthony Rankin
Edna Miller, great grandmother of Grant (KB) and Garrett (2B) Miller
Mrs. Mariam Rafeedie, great grandmother of Sienna (3A) and Aubrie (6A) Ferraro Shiblee
Edward Drozd, great, great uncle of Maria (KA) Rew
Albert VanHuff, the uncle of Mrs. Colleen Craig
Frank Thompson, great-grandfather of Garrett Lash (1B)
Richard Litwin, great uncle of Nicholas (7B), Sarah (5A) and Sophia (3B) Rosso
Zinaida Gaidule, great grandmother of Danielle Ghine (1B)
Clark W. Brill, Sr., grandfather of Ali, Clark (7A) and Paul (KA) Brill
Gregory Burton, nephew of Mrs. Fruscello (our 4th grade teacher)

Please also pray for all members of our military, especially those who are serving away from home

David Kerr, husband of Mrs. Kerr (Pre-K teacher) and father of Ryan (4A), who is serving in Saudi Arabia
Brennan Reid, cousin of Liam Herlihy (2B)
Joseph Madden, father of Nicole Madden (8A)
Patrick Flanagan, the son of Barbara Flanagan, Coordinator of Operation Welcome Home
Andy Buyan, cousin of Jackson (6B) and Julia (KB) Duffy who is serving in Kabul, Afghanistan
Phillip Ryder, son of Mrs. Ryder (Librarian), who is serving in Afghanistan
Justin Reid, cousin of Liam Herlihy (2B)

If you wish to add someone to our prayer list, please email Mrs. Brenda Hossick at bhossick@stlouisparish.org.