



ST. AGNES
SCHOOL

Wednesday e-Folder

September 18, 2019

The Power of Prayer

Each morning as part of our daily Community Meeting, our students have the opportunity to offer a prayer intention with the entire school community. Students from Pre-Kindergarten through our 8th grade class are invited to come up to the front of the meeting, speak into the microphone and share their intention with their fellow schoolmates and teachers. And while the students aren't required to write down their prayer prior to verbally offering it with the community, it is strongly encouraged that they take the time to compose the prayer prior to the start of our Community Meeting.

After orally offering the prayer, the intentional act of writing it down and placing it into our hand-crafted prayer cross will provide your child an opportunity to actively engage in developing a prayerful relationship with our Lord. With all this being said, we would like to partner with you as parents to help us to foster intentionality behind our morning prayer. For this reason, we invite your family to consider gathering during the evening and have your child to compose a written prayer. Afterward, ask your child to read that prayer aloud to your family. And then ask them to place that prayer note in their folder and encourage them to share it during the next day's Community Meeting. This simple practice will help your child develop a more personal relationship with God and will also provide them a comfortable setting in which to practice their public speaking skills.

Quote of the Week

"The School of Christ is the School of Love. On the last day, when the general examination takes place...love will be the whole syllabus."

Saint Robert Bellarmine

Our Art students designed our "MODEL the Way" cross with a colorful description of the virtues of leadership they hope to MODEL to others.



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Things You Need to KNOW:

Safety Patrol Induction Ceremony—9/20

Immediately following 9:00am Mass on Friday, September 20, the members of our Safety Patrol team will be inducted as student leaders for St. Agnes. As is customary with such events, we would be honored to have your family or other guests attend this special ceremony.

Leadership Saint of the Week

Saint Robert Claver serves as our featured *Leadership Saint of the Week*. As the patron saint for catechists, Robert's feast day is Tuesday, September 17. This wise and intellectual Jesuit priest served as the principal theological advisor to the Holy See (the jurisdiction of the Pope). Of other noted significance, Bellarmine was made a cardinal by Pope Clement VIII on the grounds that "he had no equal for learning".

Leadership Word of the Day

Boldness (9-16-19): willingness to get things done despite risks; to act innovatively.

Cautiousness (9-17-19): showing restraint; being careful

Conservation (9-18-19): careful protection of a resource

N.U.T. Day—9/25

Our first **N.U.T. Day** (**Non-Uniform Today**) event is scheduled for next Wednesday, September 25. Students who are interested in participating, are required to bring in \$1. Please note that it is expected that the participants will follow the guidelines that are listed on page 38 of the Parent-Student Handbook.

Middle School "Cub Club"—9/25

Students in grades 6-8 have been invited to take part in an exciting and enriching after school activity program. The first "Cub Club" day is scheduled for next Wednesday, September 25 from 3:15pm-4:00pm.

School Photo Forms—Due 9/26

Your child will come home tomorrow with their school photo order form. This form and payment will be due on Thursday, September 26.

Student Council Induction Ceremony—9/27

Immediately following 9:00am Mass on Friday, September 27, the members of our Student Council will be inducted as elected leaders of our student body. As is customary with such events, we would be honored to have your family or other guests attend this special ceremony.

Hot Lunch Raffle Winners

Congratulations to the following winners of the hot lunch for a month raffle:

- October: Jamie Danielson (8th Grade Parent)
- November: Kathy Acosta (5th Grade Parent)
- January: Harriet Mrisho (1st & 3rd Grade Parent)

Please note that we will hold a second raffle at our February H.S.A. Meeting.

Coffee & Conversation with the Principal

We invite you to gather in our multi-purpose room for our annual *Coffee & Conversation*. Parents and grandparents are asked to RSVP [HERE](#) for the event that corresponds with your child's grade level:

- October 8 at 8:20am: Pre-K, Kindergarten, First Grades
- October 15 at 8:20am: Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Grades
- October 22 at 8:20am: Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Grades

Things You Are Asked to DO:

H.S.A. Notes

Volunteer Hours

Please be sure to **enter your volunteer hours** as you complete them. Submit your hours by clicking on the Families tab link under the HSA section on www.stagnesschool.net. This page also lists suggestions for volunteer opportunities. Parents are responsible for entering and keeping track of their hours entered. Don't forget to enter the one hour for "Back to School" if attended. As stated in the handbook, all families are required to accumulate 20 volunteer hours by May 15, 2020. Families will be charged \$20 for each unmet hours. We will also send letters home in January, March and a final letter sent in May to report the hours that has been completed for the school year. If you have any further questions please feel free to contact Robin Reed at reed.rob7@gmail.com or Michelle Barksdale mbarksdale84@yahoo.com.

Getting Involved

Share your **talents and gifts**. St. Agnes is in need of your leadership. Consider serving on the HSA board. Open positions include Sergeant-At-Arms, Movie Night Coordinator, Middle School Liaison, Scholastic Book Fair Coordinator, Homeroom Parents for Pre-K (2), Kindergarten (1) First Grade (2), Second Grade (1) and Sixth Grade (1). Interested? If so, please contact Sherita Thomas at 410-504-9080 or mrssheritathomas@gmail.com.

Box Tops for Education

Show some **BOX TOP love** for our school! Collect box tops from a wide selection of items....everything from school supplies to cleaning products! Each regular Box Top clipping is worth 10 cents and those can add up quickly when we all turn them in! Invite your family and friends to participate. Clipping Box Tops will soon be a thing of the past! If you still have (or purchase) items with Box Tops that can be clipped and they have NOT expired. (1) Clip them (2) Place them on a collection sheet, in an envelope or storage bag, and (3) Send them to the school with your child. Going forward, Many of your favorite products have already switched over to digital submission of your Box Tops! Download the Box Top for Education App and log in to your account. If you do not have an account you can create one! Our school code is: 145829. What to do? (1) Buy your favorite Box Tops marked products. (2) Open the app, tap the scan button and snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase. (3) Box Tops earnings are identified and automatically updated online. Please contact St. Agnes Box Top Coordinator Michelle Gahagen at boxtops4stagnes@gmail.com for more information or questions..

We Need You

Autumn Flowers:

We are in need of a volunteer to use their "green thumb" to brighten up the entranceway to our school. Our planters in front of BEAR NATION could use the beauty of some autumn flowers to replace our spring/summer flowers. This is a great volunteer opportunity for someone who want s to earn hours outside of the school day. So if you are willing to assume this task, please contact the office.

Library Help:

We have two volunteers who generously work with our students as part of our library program. However, we are in need of an individual to come into school to shelve the books that the students have returned. This volunteer opportunity can be arranged at your convenience, but is a task that requires some level of commitment throughout the year. If you are able to provide an hour or so every couple of weeks, please contact the school office.

Mark Your Calendar

September 19	Fire Drill
September 25	Middle School Cub Club
September 27	Early Dismissal Day (12:05pm)
September 30	8th Grade ACRE Test
October 3	5th grade Service Experience at CEA
October 8	Coffee & Conversation with the Principal: PK-1
October 9	6th grade Service Experience for Westside Men's Shelter
October 9	Middle School Cub Club
October 13	School Open House
October 14	8th grade Service Experience at MBK
October 15	Coffee & Conversation with the Principal: 2-5



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