

# St. Agnes School

## *Wednesday e-Folder*



**8th Grade Christian service experience  
serving lunch at *My Brother's Keeper***

### Theme for the Year

**We Are Called**

### Quote for the Week

**"Kindness makes us shine."  
Author Unknown**

### Reflection & Prayer

This Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup> marks the feast day for St. Robert Bellarmine. This blessed man is the patron saint for catechists. And as catechists to our children, parents and teachers play a special role in forming the faith of our young people. With this thought in mind, we pray for the gift of catechists.

*Loving God, In your goodness you send us catechists. Who nurture the seeds of faith that grow within us all. Help them draw closer to you through prayer and the sacraments. Bless them with faith-filled joy so that they may introduce others to your son, Jesus Christ. Strengthen them so that they may be spirited witnesses to Christian Holiness. Be with them always, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit...Amen.*

### Mark Your Calendar

*September 13:* Back to School Night at 6:00pm (St. Agnes Church)

*September 17:* Blessing of Catechists at 9:00am mass (St. Agnes Church)

*September 21:* N.U.T. Day (Non-Uniform Today)

*September 22:* Fire Drill at 11:00am; Early Dismissal Day at 12:30pm

*September 25:* No School

*October 18:* Lock-down, Evacuation and Parent Reunification Drill (Mount de Sales Academy campus)

### **Coffee & Conversation**

Parents and grandparents are invited to attend an informal gathering with the Principal and other parents. The meetings will be held in the Activity Center conference room and will begin around 8:15am. Before our gathering, please feel free to join us at 8:05am for our daily Community Meeting.

*October 3:* PK 3-1<sup>st</sup> grade parents

*October 10:* 2nd - 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents

*October 17:* 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents

### **Friday Adjusted Traffic Route**

With mass scheduled every Friday, we will not hold our daily Community Meeting in the Activity Center on Friday morning's. As such, the drop-off location will be right in front of the new walkway (accessible by way of the school parking lot). Each Friday you'll be asked to follow the directions of the on-duty faculty and drive around the traffic queue when dropping off your children.

### **Handbook Form**

All families are expected to sign and return the *Handbook Review Form* (located on pg. 29 of the 2017-18 Handbook). Please return this form by this Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **N.U.T. Day**

On Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, your child is invited (but not required) to participate in a N.U.T. Day (*Non-Uniform Today* dress-out day). Any student who chooses to participate is expected to contribute \$1 that will be used for our "Lunch with Love" bagged meal service project. If the \$1 participation fee proves to be difficult for your family, please contact the principal.

### **Long Weekend**

Please note that we have scheduled an early dismissal day (12:30pm) on Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> and a school holiday on Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup>.

### **Child Pick-up**

If you plan to pick-up your child early for school on any given day, please send in a note to your child's homeroom teacher.

### **Tardy students**

As a reminder, the school day begins promptly at 8:05am. Students who are late to school more than three times in any given trimester will be assigned a recess detention for each subsequent tardy. Thank you for your support of ensuring your student's timely arrival to St. Agnes.

### **Dress Code**

All parents and grandparents are asked to inspect their child's uniform each day before they arrive to school. Each student should be wearing approved shoe wear and school uniform items that are in acceptable condition (please retire dingy or frayed uniform items). Our students are expected to dress for success as they represent St. Agnes!

### **Private Schools Family Survey**

In the coming days, each family will receive a copy of the Private Schools Family Survey. The confidential information you share on your returned survey form is used to determine funding eligible funding for a variety of governmentally sponsored programs. Thank you in advance for your timely return of this form.

## **H.S.A. Notes**

Welcome back! We look forward to seeing you at Back to School Night! Don't forget to stop by the tables in the Art Room to volunteer and to enter the HOT LUNCH RAFFLE!

## **VOLUNTEER HOURS**

All families are reminded that our 20-hour volunteer commitment is part of your enrollment agreement with the school. Furthermore, families are responsible for tracking their own hours. Parents who are the sole custodian of their children may request Single Parent status (requiring 10 volunteer hours) through the school office by the end of September. All hours must be submitted online by clicking [here](#).

## **OTHER WAYS TO HELP S.A.S.**

SHOPAROO!

GIANT A+ SCHOOL REWARDS - St.

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AMAZON SMILES PROGRAM

RECYCLED TONER CARTRIDGES

## **Emergency Preparedness Drill**

As a means in which to prepare and practice our Emergency Response Plan, we have scheduled an EP Drill for Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>. On this day we will rehearse an internal lockdown response and building evacuation. Once we evacuate, we will travel by foot to our off-campus safe staging area which is located at Mount de Sales Academy. As a means in which to imitate all three phases of such an emergency, all families will be notified by our emergency alert system of the event and the need to pick your child(ren) up on the campus of Mount de

Sales. Please also note that rehearsing the reunification portion of our drill means that there will be **NO AFTERCARE PROVIDED ON THIS DAY**. More information will be provided as we draw closer to the event.

## **World's Finest Chocolate**

Our chocolate bar fundraiser began this week and continues through Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Think sweet, chocolate, treat and SELL- SELL- SELL!

## **Nurse's Notes**

Any student who is missing immunization documentation will be required to provide this paperwork to Mrs. Madigan by Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. Maryland State mandates that immunization documentation must be presented to the school within 20 days of the start of the school year. Failure to comply will exclude the child from school until the required paperwork is submitted.

## **The BEAR Den Blog**

Did you know that St. Agnes has a Blog? If not, take a moment to check out **The BEAR DEN Blog** that can be found on our school website: <https://www.stagnesschool.net/blog>