

Date: 9/25/2019 Dear Parents / Guardians,

#### Parent Teacher Conference Signup

Please fill out and return the accompanying **Parent – Teacher Conferences Sign-Up Form by Monday, October 7th.** This allows our teachers time to set their schedules to meet your requests as closely as possible. We will do our best to accommodate your time requests, however, time slots are filled on a first come - first serve basis and with consideration to parents with multiple students.

# <u>Every Tuesday in October</u>

#### The Month of the Holy Rosary

October is called, *The Month of the Holy Rosary*. This is to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary, who encourages us to pray the Rosary, as a powerful way to remember her Son.

Every Tuesday, at 8:45 during the month October, our 2<sup>nd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Students come together in church to pray the Rosary. Everyone is welcome to join us in this time of reflective prayer. We explore a different Mystery of the Rosary each Tuesday.

# Thursday, September 26, 2019

# 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Cows and Plows Field Trip

The 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Class participates on a field trip to the Van Wert Fairgrounds for the Cows and Plows Field Day. Thank you to the Van Wert Soil and Water Conservation District for coordinating this yearly event.

#### Friday, September 27, 2019 United Way Food Drive

The United Way "Day of Caring" Food Drive comes to a close on this day. The class that brought in the most items per student will receive an Ice Cream Party, courtesy of United Way.

# Tuesday, October 1, 2019 – Wednesday, October 2, 2019

# 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Overnight at Stone Laboratory

St. Mary's of the Assumption 6th grade class embarks on an overnight stay at "The" Ohio State University Island Campus located in Put-in-Bay harbor. Students participate in several classes dealing with natural sciences, environmental issues, and team building through active participation. Students leave St. Mary's at 7:30am on Tuesday and return around 4:30pm on Wednesday.

#### <u>Tuesday, October 1, 2019</u> School Council Meeting CANCELLED

There will be no October School Council meeting as the School Council met on September 24, 2019 to prepare for the Fall Festival and use that opportunity to also serve as the October School Council meeting.

# Wednesday, October 2, 2019

# 4th and 5th Grade to Allen County Historical Museum

As part of their Social Studies curriculum the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade share a field trip to Allen County Historical Museum in Lima, Ohio.

# Friday, October 4, 2019

#### **Blessing of the Animals**

The school hosts the Blessing of the Animals on Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. Adults are welcome and encouraged to bring pets to **the back of the school at 2:30pm** so Fr. Stan can bless them. Students **MAY NOT** bring any animals with them to school that day. If someone can not bring a student's pet on this day, you are welcome to send a picture of the pet with your child.

## Wednesday, October 9, 2019

#### **Picture Retake Day**

We will retake school pictures on Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. To receive a retake, you must present your ENTIRE picture package to the photographer on that Wednesday. Please include the note that was sent in your picture package describing the reason for your dissatisfaction, so they can attempt to correct it on the retake. This must be filled out to qualify for a retake. Students who missed school pictures may also have their picture taken on this day.

# Thursday, October 10, 2019

#### Firefighter Phil Program

Our Kindergarten –  $3^{rd}$  Grade participate in an assembly in the afternoon to learn more about fire safety.

#### Friday, October 11, 2019

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trip to Stoneco, Inc.

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade class will enjoy a field trip to Stoneco, Inc. to take part in a hands-on learning experience about rocks and minerals.

#### Sunday, October 13, 2019

#### St. Mary's Fall Festival will be held on Sunday, October 13, 2019 from 12:00pm – 4:00pm.

The Fall Festival takes place in the grass area to the east of the School and is FREE of charge. We hope that you and your family can come and join us for an exciting afternoon full of fun and fellowship.

#### **Events Planned for the Fall Festival include:**

- Hayrides
- 4 Inflatable Attractions: The Xtreme II Obstacle Course, QB Blitz, Firetruck Slide, and a Zoo Bounce House
- Chili Cook Off
- Other Food: Hot Dogs, Popcorn, Bottle Water, and a Caramel Apple Bar.
- Football Game It is our hope to have NFL Football on a big screen inside a 40' by 70' tent.
- Kids Carnival Games A few small carnival games for kids to play are planned.

Tractor Drivers Wanted: We are looking for people who would be willing and able to drive the

tractor for our hayrides at the Fall Festival. If you are willing to be a tractor driver please contact the School Office by Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. We hope to get at least 4 volunteers so you would only have to do a 1 hour shift.

#### Monday, October 14, 2019

#### No School – Professional Development Day

The Diocese of Toledo will hold an all day Professional Development in Toledo for all teachers and staff members in Diocese.

**Tuesday, October 15, 2019** Monthly and Quarterly Tuition Payments are due.

#### Wednesday, October 16, 2019

#### **End of First Quarter**

Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> is the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter. Grade cards will be sent home on Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. Please make sure tuition, latch key, and lunch accounts are paid and up-to-date. If there are any past balances, we will not send a report card home until student fees are current.

# This is also the LAST DAY STUDENTS ARE PERMITTED TO WEAR SHORTS until the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter.

#### Friday, October 18, 2019

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Insect Zoo

Our First Grade students host their Insect Zoo to the rest of the school, parents, grandparents, and any community members who would like to attend. **The Insect Zoo will be open to general public from 1:00pm to 2:30pm on Friday, October 18.** Visitors will learn about each insect's habitat, diet, and interesting facts. The students will also share why they feel God created their insect.

#### FootballMania Tickets are Due

Students are responsible to return all sold and unsold game cards. We must have all game cards returned to office by **Friday**, **October 18**, **2019**. Each card must be activated for it to be eligible to win. Please contact the school office and cards will be sent home with your child, if additional game cards are needed. With you help, we feel we can score a touchdown with this fundraising event!

#### Monday, October 21, 2019

#### Pizza Man Fundraiser

Our Annual Pizza Man Fundraiser begins on Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup> and runs through Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup>. Items will be available for **pickup on Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>**, just in time for Thanksgiving. Students will bring home the Pizza Man Brochure and instructions Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. Please be on the look out for this information and help and encourage your child(ren) to sell the products. The profits generated from this event go directly to our Student Enrichment Learning Fund which helps pay for many of the activities and field trips in which our students take part throughout the year.

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# Wednesday, October 23, 2019 and Thursday, October 24, 2019

#### **Parent/Teacher Conference**

Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled for Wednesday, October  $24^{th}$  from 4:00pm - 7:30pm and Thursday, October  $25^{th}$  from 9:00am - 12:00pm and 1:00pm - 6:00pm. Your designated time(s) for conferences will be sent to you shortly after you return the Parent – Teacher Conference Time Sign-up Form. Please be sure to note the date and time that is assigned to you, as it is important that you attend this conference in regards to your child(ren)'s academic progress.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4: THERE WILL BE NO AFTERSCHOOL LATCHKEY DUE TO PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES. PLEASE MAKE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS TO PICK UP YOUR CHILD(REN) AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL DAY. If there is a major problem, please contact the School Office so we can make other arrangements.

<u>Thursday, October 24, 2019</u> NO SCHOOL – Parent/Teacher Conferences

<u>Friday, October 25, 2019</u> NO SCHOOL – Professional Development Day

Wednesday, October 30, 2019

Trunk or Treat

The students participate in a Trunk or Treat in the afternoon. Thank you to the Parish Life Committee for sponsoring this event.

Our Kindergarten and Kindergarten Plus students will be allowed to bring in their Halloween costumes and change into them in the afternoon.

Thank you and God bless,

Daniel W. Metyer

Mr. Daniel Metzger Principal-Minister