

Wednesday e-Folder



To Jesus through Mary

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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To Pray and Ponder

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October Focus-Joyful Mysteries

October Virtue-Obedience

Have you ever been surprised by an unexpected guest? The feeling of sheer joy in greeting someone whom you had not seen for a while creates both energy and excitement in us. Imagine the joy felt by Elizabeth when her cousin, Mary, arrived to be with her after both women learned of their pregnancies. One would think that in their time together, Mary and Elizabeth laughed, cried, shared joys, discussed fears, etc.

Elizabeth greeted her cousin with the words, "And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?" She recognized that Mary was the Christ-bearer, one who carried God within her.

The second Joyful Mystery – the Visitation – reminds us that we should reply to one another with Elizabeth's greeting, "And how does this happen to me, that the mother (father, sister, or brother) of my Lord should come to me?" Each of us, like Mary, is a Christ-bearer. The Lord lives within us and so we can greet one another as Elizabeth greeted Mary.

This week, let us consider how we greet everyone we meet. Do we speak as if we recognize that others carry Christ in their hearts?

Catholic Identity

The Bible – The Church accepts and venerates the Bible as inspired. The Bible is composed of the 46 books of the Old Testament and the 27 books of the New Testament. Together these books make up the Scriptures. The unity of the Old and New Testaments flows from the revealed unity of God's loving plan to save us.

Let us pray for those who protect life-police, fireman and EMTs.

Calendar Information

Thursday, 10/19

4:00 Soccer vs. Crisfield Academy –away

4:00 Field Hockey vs. Crisfield Academy-home

4:00 Golf vs. Sts. Peter and Paul-home at Green Hill

Monday, 10/23

3:30 Golf vs. Salisbury School-home

Tuesday, 10/24

4:00 Golf vs. The Country School at Ocean Resorts (make-up match)

4:00 Soccer vs. The Country School-away

Wednesday, 10/25

3:30 Golf vs. Most Blessed Sacrament-home, Green Hill

Thursday, 10/26

4:00 Soccer vs. St. Michaels-home

Monday, 10/30

3:30 Golf vs. The Country School-home, Green Hill

4:00 Soccer vs. Most Blessed Sacrament-away

Tuesday, 10/31

Hallow-giving Parade to Anchorage Nursing Home

From the Principal

RECALL-We have received a recall for a product that may have been purchased at the Scholastic Book Fair last year.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the flyer.

MORNING ARRIVAL SAFETY- Parents who use the “kiss and go” line to drop off, please be reminded that there is only **one** line of cars going one way. This helps ensure that ALL students are safely exiting their car and walking to the school building. Parents should be remaining in the car and should NOT pull the car up to the sidewalk. If your child needs help with a car seat, you should be parking in the church lot. The church lot is actually closer to the door to the Parish Center anyway. **SLOW DOWN** please!

INTERIMS-Friday, October 20th marks the mid-point of the first Trimester. As such you will have an opportunity to conference with your child’s teacher to discuss progress thus far. At this time, they will likely have prescriptive suggestions for you to continue to support your student’s academic success for the second half of the Trimester. Remember that you can view grades and comments from teachers in Power School anytime. A paper report will not be issued for interims.

UNIFORM SWAP

Uniform Swap

We are still in need of uniform items, particularly smaller sizes. Make sure to hang on to your voucher certificates as you will now earn full value regardless of when the items are returned, instead of the previously issued 50% credit. Here is the list of our upcoming swap dates:

Return date (to bring in old items to earn credit only): 10/23 from 12:00-2:00.

Swap purchase date (to purchase or use your credit only): 10/27 from 12:00-2:00 & 10/29 from 11:00 – 1:00

If someone is in immediate need of uniform items, please email the committee at sfdsuniforms@sfdscs.org so they try to accommodate your needs.

[CLICK HERE](#) FOR CREDIT VOUCHER FORM

Home and School Association

Designer Purse & Cash Bingo

The HSA would like to send out a BIG THANK YOU to Manda Ruark and her family for all of their hard work on our Designer Purse & Cash Bingo. She did an amazing job and a great time was had by all. We'd also like to thank the following sponsors:

Charles Brown Glass for their donation of 2 purses;

Ruark Building Contractors for their donation of all of the Chinese Auction items;

The Moore family for their donation of a men's wallet;

The Braxton family for their donation of the mums;

All of those who helped out during the event &

All of those who donated baked goods for our dessert bar.

Trunk or Treat

Save the Date!! Trunk or Treat is right around the corner. Saturday, October 28th from 3:30-5:30 pm. We still need families or classes to sign up to decorate a trunk. If you would like to enter your trunk, please let Will Braxton know by emailing him at William_braxton@comcast.net

We will also have a small snack stand open during the event with soft drinks, bottled water and some salty snacks. We know the kids get hungry & thirsty during the event....it's such hard work collecting candy. 😊

Guest Bartending

Our 1st Guest Bartending event is scheduled for Wednesday, November 8th from 4:30-9:30 at Hoppers. All proceeds from this event will go directly to our school's Athletic program costs. Please invite all your friends and family for this fun event. If you are interested in being a guest bartender during this event, please email William_braxton@comcast.net

HSA DUES

If you haven't paid your dues yet for the year, please send in your check to the school. The dues are set at \$15/child this year and the money goes directly to our homeroom moms to use for class activities and the auction project. Please make all checks payable to SFDS HSA. We will also be collecting at afternoon pickups on Fridays and during all our school events.

Uniform Committee

There will be a Uniform Committee meeting on Tuesday, October 24th at 3:30 in the uniform room. We are looking for new members to this committee and would love to see you there.

BASKET BALL CLINIC

Reminder that next Monday (10/23) & Wednesday (10/25) from 6-8pm in the Parish Center, there will be a basketball clinic for all those boys and girls interested in playing this year. The clinic on Friday was cancelled due to the middle school dance being held that night.

SCRIP

Don't forget to buy SCRIP gift cards. All profits go to the school! See Kris Reilly on Fridays in the pick-up line.

Barnes and Noble Fundraiser

Saturday, November 25 starting at 10:00 AM

12 to 20% earnings in-store and online for week following the 25th, which includes Cyber Monday sales on the 27th

Scheduled Presentations Directed by Mrs. Birch :

11:00 Grades 4 and 5. (Socktober Challenge Book Character Projects)

12:00 Grade 7. (Readers of "The Raven")

1:00 Any Grade Volunteers. (Poem Readers)

Sales at Barnes and Noble Cafe for our patrons, also earns money for Library books.

Welcoming Table needs volunteers for 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, and 1:00. See Becky Birch.

\$40 Cheesecake orders from The Cheesecake Factory will be available soon and you will pay the day of the Book Fair. Have 14 slices and can be frozen up to a year. Various yummys like Peppermint, Pumpkin, Godiva Chocolate, Snickerdoodles, and Plain may be on the order form.

SAVE THE DATE and **SPREAD THE WORD!** More information to come soon.

Parish Community Partnership

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS - Students in grade 7-12

Director Liza Alvarado lalvarado@visitstfrancis.org

Download our free registration here.

http://visitstfrancis.org/images/Annual_Consent_and_Release.pdf

LOCK IN-October 20-21- The only time staying up all night rocks! Something at every hour.

Friday 8:00 p.m. to Saturday 7:00 a.m. SHARP!

What you need to bring: A sleeping bag or personal items you may need. (Not required since this is a staying up all night event.) A snack to share \$5 toward pizza donation

Relief supplies to Catholic Charities for Puerto Rico Recover (Baby supplies, dry food, garbage bags, mosquito repellent, first aid kits, toiletries, or tarps.) Please bring these type of products for easier shipping.) These supplies will be put together at our Service Project Hour. (No Registration fee for this.)

***Carriage House News**-You can find a large assortment of Halloween Costumes for purchase in the Carriage House. Stop by on Saturday mornings to check them out.