

PSR NEWSLETTER

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(Under "Education & Spiritual Growth" tab)

Our theme for this year is: "We are Many Parts, We are all One Body". Our scripture focus is: "As a body is one though it has many parts, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit." (1 Corinthians 12: 12-13)

FEBRUARY 2019

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 27- Class

January 30 (Wed)- 2nd grade First Eucharist Family Meeting, 7 pm in the Cafeteria (snow date-Feb 6) February 3- Class; 5th grade ACRE assessment; Pulse of the PSR Parent Meeting and Social; 8:30 am and Jr. High Valentine Service Project 9-11am February 10- Class

February 17- NO CLASS-Presidents Day

February 24- Class

March 3- Class; Lenten Prayer Service 9:40 in

Cafeteria

March 6- Ash Wednesday

A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

We have had a lot of snow already this year, so if we need to cancel class again, we may need to use the Presidents Day Sunday to make up a class. We would let you know during any correspondence we have with you regarding the next closure should we need to schedule that date.

Please continue to pray for our PSR Director Mary Ann Bosse, as she continues to recover from her illness

Our next Pulse of the PSR/Parent Social is scheduled for Sunday, February 3. Please make plans to attend! We will start promptly at 8:35. Drinks and bagels will be provided.

Everyone should have received a letter from Father Geoff regarding educational opportunities through the parish. You will find a note below as a reminder of the due date for the Catholic Educational grants.

You will notice some new additions to this newsletter. We will be adding some youth news reminders for the middle and junior high students, as well as St. Ignatius team sign up information and other parish reminders for you as parents.

Blessings! Elaine Kroger, for Mary Ann Bosse

SNOW PROCEDURES

If we cancel class due to poor weather conditions, you will be notified by your oldest child's teacher as soon as possible that morning, so please make sure that we have your current telephone number. As much as we want to see your children every Sunday morning, remember safety comes first!

FIRST EUCHARIST FAMILY MEETING

Second grade parents, please mark your calendar for the First Eucharist Family Meeting on Wednesday, January 30 at 7 pm in the Cafeteria. More information will come home with your child in January.

FIRST COMMUNION DONATIONS!

If you are in search of a dress or suit for your child for their First Communion, please contact Kim Abele in the Parish Office at 389-3247 x2706 or email her at saintipsr@gmail.com. Several outfits have been donated over the years and we are happy to pass them onto anyone who needs it.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY-SHELTER HOUSE

Every first Saturday of the month St. Ignatius Parish provides a meal to the homeless at the new Shelter House location in Queensgate. We need 4 cooks, at least 6-8 teen helpers and 3-4 parent

drivers every month. Spaghetti, meatballs, sauce, and the pan to make the meal are provided and can be picked up from the Parish Office before 4:00 pm on the Friday before the first Saturday of each month. We are always in need of volunteers. On the website (sainti.org) under links, click Volunteer at Shelterhouse to sign up, or contact Emily Branscum at 661-6565 x 2711. VOLUNTEERS MUST SIGN UP THE WEEK BEFORE. Thank you for your help with this valuable ministry!

CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION The Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) is again accepting applications for needs-based elementary school tuition grants for the 2019-2020 school year. Grant awards range from \$250 to \$1,000 per student and can be used at any Catholic elementary school within the Archdiocese. The deadline to apply is January 31, 2019. Flyers that include details on the CEF grants can be downloaded in English and Spanish by clicking the links below: English Version Spanish Version The Catholic Education Foundation tuition grant program became a reality in 2017-18 through the One Faith, One Hope, One Love Capital Campaign. Due to the generosity of your parish, the Catholic Education Foundation will again be able to offer over \$2,000,000 in financial aid! For more details and to apply please www.catholicbestchoice.org. Please remember the deadline to apply for this assistance is Thursday, January 31.

YOUTH MINISTRY MEETING Our next meeting will take place on Monday, January 28 from 7:00-8:30pm in the Hilvert Center. We will be working on putting together Valentine's Day cards for parishioners who have lost loved ones. If you do not regularly attend our junior high meetings and have a medical form on file, you will need to fill out a permission form in order to attend. We also need at least one more VIRTUS-trained adult volunteer to attend this meeting. Please contact Emily Branscum at 661-6565 if you have any questions or are interested in helping out. See the flyer online for details and to sign up. All 6th, 7th, and 8th grader students are welcome to join us!

VALENTINE SERVICE PROJECT Our next Valentine service workshop will take place on Sunday February 3 from 9:00-11:00am in the school cafeteria. We will again be making Valentine cards for those who have lost loved ones this year. Also, on Saturday February 9, we will need

volunteers to help deliver these Valentines and flowers to our parishioners. Permission forms for both activities can be found online under "Flyers" to sign up and attend. Adults who are current on VIRTUS are needed for the workshop and delivering the Valentines. Please c o n t a c t E m i I y B r a n s c u m at ebranscum@saintischool.org or 661-6565, ex. 2711, for more information.

CRHP WOMEN'S RETREAT FEBRUARY 23 AND 24

Does your spiritual or personal life need a refresh in this New Year? How about a weekend away (but not far from home) to refresh, renew and reset with like-minded women. You're invited to the Welcome to Christ Renews His Parish Women's Retreat February 23 and 24 here at St. Ignatius. You'll be inspired by personal faith stories from women just like you, make new friends, and jump-start your faith life during a judgment-free (and cost-free) weekend. For more information, call, text or email Jennifer Menner at 310-6539/jwmenner@yahoo.com Margee Garbsch at 300-5422/margeegarbsch@gmail.com.

ST. IGNATIUS TRACK & FIELD 2019 St. Ignatius Track & Field will offer an online registration period for Girls and Boys beginning Tuesday, January 1, 2019 thru Thursday, February 28, 2019. To begin the registration process, please visit the home page of the Athletic Association web site at http://saintiaa.org. There you will be able to login to your existing account or establish a new account with Blue Sombrero. Cost* to Participate: Boys and Girls Track & Field (Grades K8) - \$55 *An additional \$60 fee may be assessed to those families that have not yet joined the St. Ignatius Athletic Association for the current school year. For more information, please contact: Jerry Paul (598-5616) - drjerry@cinci.rr.com

