



St. Mary's Catholic School

Friday Notes



Available with additional pictures and attachments in parent's email and online at <https://www.aquinas-catholic.com/stmarys/friday-notes/>
(Please let us know if you did not receive them in your email.)

October 31, 2019

HALLS FULL OF SAINTS!

It was such a joy to see all your children dressed up as Saints today. They love telling me about their Saint and learning about each others. I know that this week it was a challenge to get everything together, but I appreciate your effort with all of these outfits!

It was also a pleasure to see you all out in support of the Hallmark event. Our kids were excited and cold, but they sang really well and were well-behaved when I saw them wandering around to the vendors and exhibits.

God bless your families on this long weekend as you venture about town and enjoy your time together, Mrs. Zook

FROM THE ST. MARY'S SPIRIT CLUB (PTO) SPIRITUAL COORDINATOR:

UPDATES ON THE BABIES: Your child should have brought home a baby to spiritually adopt and pray for. I love to hear the stories of the cribs they have built for them and how they are caring for them. **UPDATE:** Baby update: 13 weeks (fetal age) Your baby is the size of a large white onion. The baby's entire body, except for parts of the scalp, responds to light touch. Teeth are growing under the gums. The baby's feet are now 10 times longer than what they were back at week 7. The heart has beat approximately 15,800,000 times since it started beating.

VIRTUE for NOV, STEWARDSHIP: *Returning to God the first fruits of your time, talent, and treasure;*
St. Elizabeth of Hungary (K-2), Bl. Fra. Angelico(3-5),
Homework will come home next week.

PRAYERS

Welcome baby *Ida* to *Molly* and *Hank Klosterman* and siblings *Royce (K), and Walt.*

November Baptism Celebrants		
Anna	Schmid	15-Nov
Sarah	Coufal	16-Nov
Riley	Campbell	30-Nov
Carter	Cech	8-Nov
Jonathan	Kunasek	15-Nov
Kayle	Coufal	28-Nov
Dakota	Helgoth	29-Nov
Emerson	Krivanek	21-Nov
Emily	Schmid	6-Nov
Elliot	Wacker	4-Nov
Kadience	Helgoth	29-Nov
Harper	Meysenburg	23-Nov
Carly	Collins	11-Nov
Lynn	Schmid	17-Nov
Bentley	Samek	3-Nov
Jase	Smaus	3-Nov
Autumn	Kudlacek	17-Nov
Cece	Lyons	27-Nov
Theodore	Wacker	30-Nov



Please see page 2 for Thank You's

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Nov. 1: No School, All Saints Day, Holy Day of Obligation
****NO MORE SHORTS—Pants or skirts with leggings/tights. Hats and gloves please.****
- Nov. 2: All Souls Day
- Nov. 6: 10 AM Late Start, Teacher Professional Development
- Nov. 8: Baptism Mass, 8 AM
- Nov. 10: Spirit Club Meeting, 7PM at El Centenario, all parents welcome.
- Nov. 11: Dinner Out!! Amigos Night (5-8 PM) Fundraiser for St. Mary's School
-Dance camp form due.
- Nov. 16: Mother-Son Bowling ****TIME CHANGE** 12-2 PM.** Please let us know number who will be attending.

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November 16th, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Westbrook Lanes in Columbus
Cost \$10 per family



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Family Name _____

Number of bowlers _____



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All Saints Party



From Cortney Hein: We had a great turnout for the **All Saints Party**. It is a crazy week for David City so I really appreciate **those that took time to celebrate** the heroes of our faith either by volunteering or by bringing their kids to attend. Shout out to **Christina Podolak** for helping dig out games, figuring out the logistics of hanging Goliath up safely, putting together the board with stories of incorruptible Saints, and more. It was so encouraging to see so many older students willing to volunteer. A couple of them that volunteered for set-up were so excited about the games that they came back later to help run them. I save kids that weren't even signed up to work, jump in and run a game to let a friend go have some fun and/or eat. Thank you to the **Knights of Columbus** for providing and serving the food. Thank you, **St. Mary's Spirit Club** for providing all the prizes and games.



St. Mary's runs

Hallmark Event: October 30,
*Thanks, **parents**, for bringing your children to sing! We sounded amazing and I was very proud of them all. Thank you, **Mr. Haberman and Mrs. Ostdiek**, for preparing and leading them.



5th Grade Room Moms:
Thank you for the **dinner for teachers** during conferences! You kept us going!

Thank you to St. Mary's Spirit Club, especially Tina Samek, Marissa Roh, Chana Ondracek, and Paula DeWispelare for turning this into a community event and helping make the event so successful! We had over 450 kids and more than 40 trunks city-wide!

*Thank you to all of the **parents** who had trunks or gave candy. Thank you to all of the **businesses** that supported, too!

*To kick off November/December in Stewardship and Gratitude, we'd like to thank all of you for helping make this **BUSY** last month a success.*

Thank you so much for supporting the Baby Shower. We collected *506 diapers, 27 packs of wipes, 24 outfits, 11 blankets, 7 hats, 6 bibs, and several toys, hats, jackets and cups*. Thank you to Cortney Hein for getting it going and all the parents for your generosity in giving these items that will be shared through Catholic Social Services in Lincoln.



All Saints Day: Thank you to Room Moms for the parties and to all parents for the amazing Saints costumes! You are so creative. Such a blessing!

so smoothly because of your help!!



From the **Library**: Book Sale during conferences...Thank you to **Mrs. Roh, Mrs. Sisco**, and the volunteers who helped run it. Thank you, **parents** for supporting it—we earned \$775 in books and \$213 in cash for the library.

*Thank you for the sticker donations, too!

*Thank you to **Laura Blowers, Lori Wessling, Lisa Lyons, and Carm Fiala** for book donations.

Recent pictures from around St. Mary's:



Some students (Saints) with the donated baby items.

All Saints Day – classes introducing their Saints after Mass:



K-Healy



K-Fozzard



1-Vavrina/Suehl



More 1-Vavrina/Suehl



2-Weiss



2-Eller



3-Janak



3-Naiberk

4-Ridder



4-Smith



5-Koranda



5-Comte



We had a chance to honor several teachers at the Teachers Honor Dinner in Lincoln. Not all were able to attend, but we are very grateful to all of these St. Mary's teachers for their years of service to the Catholic Schools of the Lincoln Diocese:

Sr. Frances Pytlik, 35 years

Mr. Joe Pipal, 30 years

Mrs. Sandy Vavrina, 30 years

Mrs. Pam Comte, 25 years

Mrs. Julie Smith, 20 years

Mrs. Carly Eller, 5 years

Such blessings to our school!



Sr. Michaelene attended, too, and was honored for 48 years of service. She sent a warm hello to David City.

A fun faith adventure for the year.

If you didn't pick up one of these at conferences, just remind your child to grab one on the way out of school. It is optional.

Getting to know Jesus is an adventure!

This **passport** is a tool to help encourage you to add some fun things to liven up your spiritual journey. We hope that the adventures and/or travels it takes you on will bring you closer to Christ.

About this passport:

- Passport completion is an "honor system".
- Masses for Sunday and Holy Days are required to be considered "complete". We encourage you to let us know about the Masses after you receive your passport.
- Virtues homework.
- The visits to church with Our Lord.
- 33 visits to church waiting to be completed.
- You are encouraged to complete as many as possible.

The **Spiritual Passport** belongs to: _____

The **Spiritual Passport** is a tool to help encourage you to add some fun things to liven up your spiritual journey. You may do a **visit** as often as you like, just make sure you complete enough adventures with Jesus, by the end of the school year, will be rewarded. May God bless your adventure.

This fun adventure special is optional.