# ST. CATHERINE LABOURE SCHOOL NEWS February 2017

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR



#### February 11 10:30am - First Penance 5:30pm – SCLS Gala

February 14 9am-11am – Preschool Registration

February 15 9am-11am – Preschool Registration

7pm – New Students Info Night

February 17 9am- Mass 6C

February 20 No School – Presidents' Day

February 23 9am – Mass 5L 7pm – PTO General Meeting

> February 24 7pm – Mardi Gras

**February 27** 6am-9pm – Bob Evans Fundraiser

## A Message from the Principal, Sister Mary Anne Sweeney

"Be loving expressions of God's kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile."

Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Dear Parents and Guardians,

May Christ's love dwell in our hearts and overflow into kindness and compassion in our daily lives! Happy February!

During this beautiful month of hearts and valentines I want to offer heartfelt words of appreciation for your "overflowing kindness and compassion" especially the last few weeks.

Thank you so very much for a wonderful Catholic Schools Week 2017! Every event was a true celebration of our phenomenal school. We were particularly honored by the presence of Bishop Gainer as he saw "up close and personal" the joy and talents of our students and the devotion and creativity of our faculty and staff. Our Mini-THON was indeed a spectacular evening of friendship, family, and fun, and raised over \$21,000 to support those suffering from pediatric cancer. We are so grateful to everyone who helped in any way to make Catholic Schools Week 2017 such a memorable one.

Speaking of "kindness and compassion," we look forward to our annual Gala on February 11 and are thankful beyond words for the dedication and generosity of our "*Enchantment under the Sea*" Planning Committee.

Finally, we congratulate our Second Graders who are experiencing the peace and the mercy of God in a very special way as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Penance for the first time on February 11. Their excitement is electric and is a source of great inspiration to everyone.

Know that you and your children are dear to my heart. Happy Valentine's Day and God bless you!

In Mary, Lovingly, Sister Mary Anne Sweeney, IHM

Principal

## **Restaurant & Retail Fundraisers**

Family restaurant and retail nights provide an opportunity for you to spend an evening sharing dinner with your family and friends while supporting SCLS PTO. Each establishment will donate a portion of your total bill to SLCS. Please join your SCLS friends and family!



February 27

# A Note from the SCLS PTO President, Jill Bentz

#### Save the Date!

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Topper Trot 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run

Saturday April 22, 2017 10am

**Bishop McDevitt High School** 

Proceeds go toward tuition assistance for SCLS students



Happy February!

Thank you to all who helped make Catholic Schools Week a Success!

Our first Ice Skating Party at Twin Ponds was a success. We are looking forward to seeing more families at the Roller Skating Party in March.

The PTO is having a Gertrude Hawk Easter candy fundraiser. Even though this is an optional fundraiser, we hope everyone participates to help raise funds for the PTO. The PTO General Meeting will be February 23. We hope to see everyone there!

Thank you to everyone who helps to make the PTO run smoothly!

Jill Bentz

<u>PTO Executive Board</u> Father Neil Sullivan *Pastor* 

Sister Mary Anne Sweeney Principal

> **Jill Bentz** President

Erin Henderson Vice President

Jenny Sustak Treasurer

Alisha Babish Secretary

# BINGO

BINGO has been an integral part of SCLS for many years. All proceeds from BINGO, over \$30,000 per year, are applied directly to the school budget. These proceeds assist in keeping tuition costs down for all students at SCLS. The PTO is responsible for assisting in the kitchen two and sometimes three times per month. Volunteers are asked to assist bingo workers with the setup/cleanup of kitchen as well as sale of food and beverages. (Note: 7th and 8th grade students are welcome to volunteer and earn service hours. However, you must be accompanied by a parent or guardian). Please consider volunteering by signing up at the link below.



**Bingo Volunteers Needed** 

February - all volunteer slots filled!

If an assigned grade fills all the volunteer spots for their month, they will earn a dress-down day. For the summer break months (June through August), assigned grades will earn the dress-down day for the next school year.

January - 5th Grade February - 4th Grade March – 3rd Grade April – 2nd Grade May – 1st Grade June - Kindergarten

https://www.timetosignup.com/sclsvolunteers/sheet/29036/

# Happy Birthday!

- February 2 Samantha Wilbur
- February 5 Father Sullivan
- February 7 Aimee Surgeoner
- February 17 Susan Slaybaugh
- February 19 Lori Breski
- February 24 Jenny Sustak



# Class Mass Schedule

SCLS students celebrate Mass at 9am

Mar 1 – 5 C Ash Wednesday Mar 10 – 4L Mar 24 – 4C Mar 31 – 3L Apr 7 – 3C Apr 21 – L Homerooms Apr 28 – 1L May 5 – 1C May 19 – 2L May Crowning May 25 – 2C Ascension Thursday Jun 2 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Jun 8 – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

**Everyone is welcome to attend.** The schedule is tentative and is subject to change

# Save the Date

Roller Skating Party – March 5



# SPIRIT WEAR

The PTO is selling SCLS Spirit Wear. If you would like to purchase any Spirit wear you may contact Jill Bentz at jmbntz39@aol.com.

> Sweatshirts—\$25 T-shirts—\$10 Cinch Bags—\$5 Car Magnets—\$7

Triends of St. Catherine's Presents Enchantment Under the St. Gala 2017

> February 11, 2017 at 5:30pm Hilton Harrisburg N 2nd Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101

Cocktail Reception & Silent Auction Dinner & Live Auction Entertainment Provided by Philadelphia's Big House Band

Gala ticket information and sponsorship opportunities are located on the school website. sclhbg.org/school/st-catherine-laboure-gala/

Gala Chairs: Jill Bentz and Wendy Grella Decorating Chairs: Colleen Formica and Keara Weltme

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For additional information please contact Wendy Grella grella825@hotmail.com or Jill Bentz jmbntz39@aol.com

### Box Tops for Education

Clip the Box Tops from various products and send them into school. The PTO gets 10 cents for each box top submitted.



### <u>Coke Rewards</u>

Create an account at www.mycokerewards.com

Enter the Coke rewards and follow the directions to donate your rewards to SCLS. If you are unable to enter them yourself, you may send them to school for the PTO to enter them. However, each account has weekly limit of rewards they can enter.



DO YOU SHOP ONLINE? Go to – www.goodshop.com. Enter "Saint Catherine Laboure School"; click 'verify'. Search for the name of the company you want to shop. 'Click' on the name of the company and you'll go to their website. Start shopping! Hundreds of Companies!!! Anywhere from 1% to 37% of your total pur-chase will be donated to SCLS! IT'S THAT EASY!!!

Shop all year and earn money for our school!



## <u>Red Robin</u> Royalty Program

Help our school raise money all year long with Burgers for Better Schools<sup>™</sup>! It's free to join and easy to participate. All you have to do is become a Red Robin Royalty member, select our school, and Red Robin will donate 1% of all purchases you make at participating locations. Learn more at redrobin.com/betterschools.



## <u>Community Service</u> <u>Project</u>

The PTO is collecting pop tabs off of soda cans to donate to Ronald McDonald house. They use the monies collected to help the families of sick children being treated at the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center. You may send them to school or drop them off at any local branch of Members 1st.



### <u>Turkey Hill</u> <u>Moo Money</u>

Send eligible product caps into school. The PTO gets five cents for every cap submitted.

#### **Eligible Products:**

Turkey Hill Dairy offers a tasty selection of healthy milk products. And for Moo Money, you can choose any of these in any size.

- Whole milk
- Chocolate milk
- 2% reduced fat milk
- Strawberry milk
- 1% lowfat milk
- Orange cream milk
- Fat free milk

Only Turkey Hill Dairy products sold at Turkey Hill Minit Markets apply. *The lids must be specially marked with a Turkey Hill Moo Money sticker.* 





Did you know that your United Way donation can be designated to St. Catherine Laboure School? Please enter the code number 246052 on your United Way campaign form.

