

St. Catherine Laboure School news

October 2017

A Message from the Principal, Sister Mary Anne Sweeney

Mark Your Calendar



October 2

Fall Picture Day

October 4

PTO Fall Fundraiser Due
6pm – Math Night Grades 1-4

October 5

School Board Meeting

October 9

No School – Columbus Day

October 12

Chili's PTO Fundraiser

October 13

No School Mass
1:30pm – Grandparents' Rosary

October 15

12:30pm-2:30pm – Fall Open
House PreK3-8th Grade

October 17

7pm – First Reconciliation Parent
Meeting, Cafeteria



"Continue to pray the Rosary every day."

Our Lady of Fatima's words to Lucia

Dear Parents and Guardians,

May Our Lady of Fatima intercede for you and your families as we celebrate her visits to the three children in Portugal 100 years ago in 1917!

October is a special month filled with many wonderful spiritual, academic, and social activities. First of all, we honor Mary during her beautiful month of the Rosary. Mary's entire life was spent in service to God. "YES" was her immediate response to the angel Gabriel at the Annunciation. Her final words in the Bible also point to Jesus when at the Wedding Feast of Cana she says "Do whatever He tells you." In everything, she is such a model of generosity and compassion for all of us. I am so proud of how your children mirrored the heart of Mary in their recent magnanimous outreach to the hurricane victims.

October 4 will be our second Family Fun Math Night for Grades 1 to 4. I am sure it will be even better than last year.

Grandparents' Rosary is October 13 and we hope that many of our Grandparents and Special Friends will join us for this wonderful SCLS tradition.

We likewise look forward to our Halloween Parade and Trunk or Treat at the end of the month.

Thank you for your presence at our Back to School Nights, Book Fair, and Ice Cream Social as well as your faithful support of our PTO Fall Fundraiser.

God bless you and Happy October!

In Mary,

Lovingly,

Sister Mary Anne Sweeney, IHM

Principal

Mandatory Fall Fundraiser

The PTO Mandatory Fall Fundraiser deadline is October 4. This is the **ONLY** required fundraiser, and it is **MANDATORY** that all families participate, as per the SCLS Handbook. We appreciate the understanding and participation of our entire school family! Any buyouts not paid by January 1, 2018, will be charged \$100. Please turn in your orders or buyout by the deadline to avoid this late fee!

Option #1: Sell \$125 worth of items, per family, across the two fundraiser choices.

*Joe Corbi Pizza, Mrs. Fields Cookies/ Desserts & Designer Collection Gifts catalogs (pick-up for these items is Thursday, November 9 from 3:30-6:30 in the gym)

*Kid Stuff coupon books are \$25 per book (any unsold books **must be returned** by the fundraiser deadline)

Option #2: Buyout of \$75 per family. Money and unpurchased Kids Stuff books are due Wednesday, October 4.

Note: You cannot crossover the two options, i.e. sell \$50 worth of items and give \$25 towards the buyout. **You must choose only one option.**

If a family does not fulfill their fundraiser obligation, they will be billed. It will be added to their tuition bill and they will not be given a re-registration packet or transfer of records for the following school year until they have met this obligation.

Fall Fundraiser Pick up is Thursday, November 9 from 3:30pm-6:30pm

For questions regarding the fall fundraiser, please contact either of the co-chairs: Erin Henderson (erinhenderson1978@comcast.net) or Katie Sullivan (katiesullivan79@gmail.com).

Mark Your Calendar



October 18

4pm-6pm - Kindergarten
Parent/Teacher Conferences

October 19

No School Kindergarten – All day
Parent/Teacher Conferences
4pm-7pm – Parent/Teacher
Conferences Grades 1-4

October 20

No School K-4 – All day
Parent/Teacher Conferences
School In Session for Grades 5-8
9am – School Mass 6L – Student
Council Installation

October 27

9am – School Mass 5L
1pm – Halloween Parade

October 29

3pm-6pm – Trunk or Treat
Parking Lot

October 30

5pm – PTO Board Meeting

A Note from the SCLS PTO President, Jill Bentz

Happy Fall!

Things are moving along great so far for the 2017-18 school year. Back to School night was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who signed up to help out with the committees. If you didn't get a chance to sign up, there are still opportunities to volunteer for a committee. The committees' contacts are listed on the school website.

I hope everyone had the chance to enjoy the ice cream social. It was a great time for the kids and parents alike. Some teachers came out and joined the kids in showing off their moves on the dance floor.

Please join other SCLS families at Chili's for our restaurant night fundraiser. This is an opportunity to raise money for the PTO and a night out with your family – no cooking, no cleaning up. Thank you to those families who participated at the Panera Bread and Get Air Fundraisers in September.

The PTO is looking forward to some fall activities. Grandparent's Rosary is always a favorite with the students as well as the Halloween parade and classroom parties.

Have a Happy Fall and a safe Halloween!

Jill Bentz

PTO Executive Board
Father Neil Sullivan
Pastor

Sister Mary Anne Sweeney
Principal

Jill Bentz
President

Erin Henderson
Vice President

Jenny Sustak
Treasurer

Alisha Babish
Secretary

Class Mass Schedule

SCLS students celebrate Mass at
9am

October 6 – No Mass

October 20 – 6L

October 27 – 5L

November 1 – All Saints - 5C

November 17 – 4L

December 1 – 4C

Everyone is welcome to attend.

The schedule is tentative and is subject to change

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.

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



Happy Birthday!

October 2 – Sr. Mary Anne

October 9 – Ellen McDevitt

October 14 – Monica Edwards

October 26 – Dustin Hutcheson

October 28 – Christina Castellano

October 30 – Michelle Cebula



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

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 SCLS. Please join your SCLS friends and family!



October 12

Gift Card Program

We are anxious about getting the Gift Card Program active again and moving forward. We had a very productive night at the Ice Cream Social and look forward to other events. The Gift Card program helps defer school costs, which assists in keeping tuition costs down. As an extra bonus, the gift cards also help in protecting your credit and identity.

There is an order form on the St Catherine Laboure Website. The form can be sent or dropped off at the school office and the cards will be available for pick there as well. Sales before and after masses will also begin shortly in the Parish Office. Information will be in the Sunday Bulletin.

There are many more cards available on line and we are working to get this moving as well. Please have patience in this transition. Should other arrangements need to be made or if additional information is needed, please contact Natalie Barbush at 717-443-7356 or nbarbush@gmail.com.

FRIENDS OF ST. CATHERINE'S
PRESENTS

Fire and Ice Gala 2018

FEBRUARY 10, 2018 AT 5:30 PM
HILTON HARRISBURG
1 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: COLLEEN FORMICA AND JENN McNAUGHTON
DECORATING CHAIRS: ERICA LEWIS AND ALCYN MITCHELL

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
PLEASE CONTACT COLLEEN FORMICA
CFORMICA1@COMCAST.NET OR JENN McNAUGHTON
JENNIFERMCAUGHTON1@VERIZON.NET

The PTO is no longer collecting Coke Rewards, Moo Caps, Campbell Soup Labels or Ink Cartridges. Please do NOT send these items into school. Thank you!

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. Watch for contests with prizes throughout the year. The PTO raised almost \$1,300 last year from collection of box tops.



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 purchase will be donated to SCLS! IT’S THAT EASY!!! Shop all year and earn money for our school!



Community Service Project

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.



Red Robin Royalty Program

Help our school raise money all year long with Burgers for Better Schools™! 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.



United Way

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.

