

ST. CATHERINE LABOURE SCHOOL NEWS

January 2018

A Message from the Principal, Sister Mary Anne Sweeney

"Loving God, Thank You for the opportunity to walk into another year of life. Help me to be faithful, to be generous, to be Yours."

Sister Joyce Rupp

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



January 3

School Resumes

January 5

9am – School Mass 8C
4:30pm-10pm–Confirmation Retreat

January 11

Dress Down Day
\$1 donation for Mini-THON

January 12

9am – School Mass 8L

January 15

No School

January 17

1:45pm – Geography Bee

January 17

4:30pm-6pm – K of C Free Throw

January 18

Middle School Band Day at McDevitt
7pm – Band Concert

January 19

9am School Mass – 7C



Dear Parents and Guardians,

May we embrace wholeheartedly the BLESSING that God has given us with the gift of a brand new year and an exciting new beginning! Hope you enjoyed a lovely Christmas and wonderful holidays with family and friends.

Thank you. Thank you. Thank you for your generosity and kindness during the Advent and Christmas Season. The faculty, staff, and I deeply appreciate your prayers, cards, lovely gifts, and your presence and support of our School and Parish Christmas programs and beautiful Liturgies. We are also exceedingly grateful to you and to our students for your loving outreach to the poor and needy. I have witnessed so many extraordinary birthday gifts given to Jesus through prayer and sacrifice.

Each year January heralds our annual celebration of Catholic Schools Week. We are looking forward to a phenomenal week beginning with our Open House on January 28 and ending with our Mini-THON on February 2.

May God bless you and yours with a happy, healthy, and holy new year! Thank you again for everything.

In Mary,
Lovingly,

Sister Mary Anne Sweeney, P.H.M.

Principal

SCLS mini-THON

On Friday, February 2, SCLS and SCLS Student Council will host its annual mini-THON to support The Four Diamonds Fund at Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital. The mini-THON will run 6-9 pm in Murray Hall and the school cafeteria. The event will mark the culmination of our Catholic Schools Week celebration, and will be our SCLS family's way of opening our hearts and showing our love as Jesus asks of us.

The Four Diamonds Fund is unique to The Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital. Since 1972, the Fund has served more than 2,000 families, primarily from the central Pennsylvania area, but also from surrounding states. Approximately 100 new families a year become Four Diamonds families. Children who are part of our school and parish have been among them.

The SCLS mini-THON is a family event. There will be dancing and games appropriate for all of St. Catherine's children and families--Pre-K to 8th grade. Ticket prices are \$5/student and \$7/adult with children under 2 free until January 25th. On January 26th, prices increase to \$7/student and \$10/adult. **Tickets may be sold at the door but only if space is available.** Pre-registration is required. Look for registration forms to come home with your children the second week of January. Also be on the lookout for events throughout the month to raise awareness about the Four Diamonds Fund and pediatric cancer.

This event would not be possible without the support of the PTO, Fr. Sullivan, Sr. Mary Anne, our faculty, students and of course, our families. *Please consider lending your support!* We are looking for volunteers, donations and of course participation! If you would like to help, please contact Wendy Grella at grella825@hotmail.com.

Newsletter Submissions: If you would like to submit information for the newsletter, please email information to ajbabish@gmail.com

A Note from the SCLS PTO President, Jill Bentz

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January 25

7pm – Confirmation Meeting for Students, Parents/Sponsor

January 26

9am – School Mass 7L

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

January 28-Feb 2

Book Fair

January 28

10am-1pm – School Open House

January 30

Grandparents Bingo

January 31

Student Appreciation Lunch

Save the Date!

**4th Annual Topper Trot
5K and 1 Mile Fun Run**

Saturday April 7, 2018 10am

Bishop McDevitt High School

**Proceeds go toward tuition
assistance for SCLS students**



Happy New Year!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed the holidays with their family and friends.

Our Adopt a Family program went even better than expected. Thank you to everyone who helped make it possible. Our Christmas program was wonderful. The children did a fantastic job and looked beautiful. The Christmas store was an exciting event for the kids. I hope everyone loved their presents.

The PTO is busy planning for Catholic Schools Week. There will be lots of activities that week for everyone to enjoy. We are still in need of volunteers for bingo. Please consider signing up.

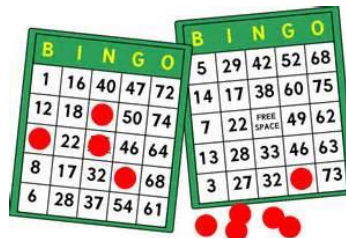
Happy New Year and welcome back!

Jill Bentz

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 the kitchen as well as the sale of food and beverages. Please consider volunteering by signing up at the link below.

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



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

Happy Birthday!

January 11 – Ken Kresge

January 16 – Megan Kenworthy

January 21 – Jim Rodriguez
Loretta Witkowski



Class Mass Schedule

SCLS students celebrate Mass at 9am

Jan 5 – 8C
Jan 12 – 8L
Jan 19 – 7C
Jan 26 – 7L
Feb 2 – Closing Catholic Schools Week
Feb 9 – 6C
Feb 14 – 6L Ash Wednesday
Feb 16 – No Mass
Feb 23 – 5C
Mar 2 – 5L Dio of Hbg 100th Anniversary
on Weekend of March 2-4
Mar 9 – 4C
Mar 16 – 4L
Mar 23 – 3C
Apr 6 – 3L
Apr 13 – 2C
Apr 20 – 2L
Apr 27 – 1C
May 4 – 1L
May 10 – Teachers – Ascension Thurs
May 11 – No Mass
May 18 – No Mass
May 25 – May Crowning
June 1 – 8th Grade Graduation
June 7 – 7th Grade Closing School Mass

Everyone is welcome to attend.

The schedule is tentative and is subject to change

SPIRIT WEAR

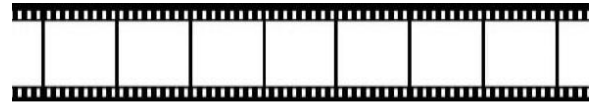
The PTO is selling SCLS Spirit Wear. If you would like to purchase any Spirit wear you may contact Jill Bentz at jmbntz39@aol.com.

Sweatshirts—\$25

T-shirts—\$10

Cinch Bags—\$5

Car Magnets—\$7



YEARBOOK! YEARBOOK!

Get your yearbooks here!

www.balfour.com

Search for St. Catherine Laboure School, Harrisburg, PA in the search box on the Balfour website. Yearbooks will be \$28, online orders only. Prices increase to \$32 January 1st. The online store will close April 1st.



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.
SCLHGB.ORG/SCHOOL/ST-CATHERINE-LABOURE-GALA/

GALA CHAIRS: COLLEEN FORMICA AND JENN McNAUGHTON
DECORATING CHAIRS: ERICA LEWIS AND ALYCIN 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!



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.



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.

