

# ST. CATHERINE LABOURE SCHOOL NEWS

February 2018

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR



### February 1

7pm – PreK Information Night

### February 2

9am – Closing Mass of Catholic Schools Week  
6pm-9pm – MiniTHON

### February 6

7pm – School Board Meeting

### February 9

9am – Mass 6C

### February 10

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

### February 14

9am – Ash Wednesday Mass 6L

### February 15

7pm – K-8 Information Night for New Students, Murray Hall

### February 19

No School – Presidents' Day

### February 20-21

9am-11am – Preschool Registration

### February 22

7pm – PTO General Meeting

### February 23

9am – Mass 5C

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

*“This season of Lent is a good occasion to draw near to Jesus, to encounter Him in prayer in a heart-to-heart dialogue...to see His face in the face of our brother and sister.”*

Pope Francis

\*Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we begin our Lenten journey with Jesus, may we walk more closely with the Lord, meditate on the depth of His love for us, and share that love with others!

Every year when Ash Wednesday rolls around, Catholics usually ask one another what they're giving up for Lent. This Lent, rather than "giving up" chocolate, let's all try a little harder to be really kind. Let's avoid a harsh word, angry comment, or gossip, and replace them all with positive, encouraging, forgiving thoughts, words, and actions, giving the benefit of the doubt and presuming the best. Being kind can make such a difference in everyone's life.

Thank you so very much for a fantastic Catholic Schools Week. Your presence, hard work, and support are so very much appreciated. Each event highlighted the theme of Catholic Schools: **LEARN-SERVE-LEAD-SUCCEED** in some way and added up to a wonderful celebration of our phenomenal school. Our Opening and Closing Masses as well as our Mini-THON which raised over \$20,000 and everything "in-between" were just incredible.

We look forward now to our First Penance on February 10 and congratulate our Second Graders and their teachers and families. In the evening of that same day, we are also eagerly awaiting our Annual Gala, sponsored by the Friends of Saint Catherine. We are so grateful to the "Fire and Ice" Gala Committee for their energy, creativity, and love.

Know that you will claim a special place in all my Lenten prayers. Happy Valentine's Day and a blessed Lent!

In Mary,  
Lovingly,

*Sister Mary Anne Sweeney, I.H.M.*

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.

Please join us in supporting SCLS on Friday during Lent at Franco's Pizzeria, 4810 Derry St. Franco's is donating 10% back to our school of the sales. Please remember to bring the flyer which can be found on the School website.

### **FRANCO'S PIZZERIA**

Friday's During Lent

2/16, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23

**Newsletter Submissions: If you would like to submit information for the newsletter, please email information to [ajbabish@gmail.com](mailto:ajbabish@gmail.com)**

# A Note from the SCLS PTO President, Jill Bentz

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 February!

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

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.

Please join us for our PTO Restaurant Fundraiser at Franco's on Fridays during Lent. This is a great opportunity to raise money for the PTO and you won't have to cook!

The PTO General Meeting will be February 22. We hope to see everyone there!

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

**PTO Executive Board**  
Father Neil Sullivan  
*Pastor*

Sister Mary Anne Sweeney  
*Principal*

Jill Bentz  
*President*

Erin Henderson  
*Vice President*

Jenny Sustak  
*Treasurer*

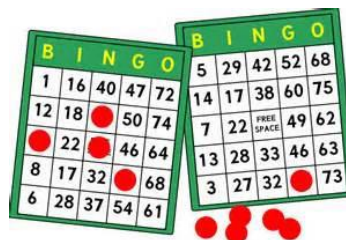
Alisha Babish  
*Secretary*

*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>



YEARBOOK! YEARBOOK!

Get your yearbooks here!

[www.balfour.com](http://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.



## Happy Birthday!

February 5 – Fr. Neil Sullivan

February 7 – Aimee Surgeoner

February 17 – Susan Slaybaugh

February 19 – Lori Breski

February 23 – Xiomara Torres

February 24 – Jenny Sustak



## 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](mailto:jmbntz39@aol.com).

Sweatshirts—\$25

T-shirts—\$10

Cinch Bags—\$5

Car Magnets—\$7

## Class Mass Schedule

SCLS students celebrate Mass at 9am

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 100<sup>th</sup> 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 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation

June 7 – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Closing School Mass

Everyone is welcome to attend.

The schedule is tentative and is subject to change

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/](http://SCLHBG.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](mailto:CFORMICA1@COMCAST.NET) OR JENN MCNAUGHTON  
[JENNIFERMCAUGHTON1@VERIZON.NET](mailto: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](http://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](http://redrobin.com/betterschools).

