

SAINT CATHERINE LABOURÉ SCHOOL NEWS

November 2019

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



November

All Day/Everyday-PTO
Fundraiser Franco's Pizza (Derry Street)

November 1

Winter Uniforms Begin
8:30am – Mass (5C)
All Saints Day
7pm-9:30pm – Middle School
Dance (Grades 6-8); Murray Hall

November 4

PTO Coat Drive Begins

November 7

4pm-8pm PTO Fundraiser
Panera Bread (Union Deposit)

November 8

8:30am – Mass (4C)
No School for Grades 5-8
School In-Session –
Grades PreK - 4
8am-3pm - Parent/Teacher
Conferences Grades 5-8

November 10

8:30am-12:45pm - PTO Gently
Used Uniform Sale; Cafeteria

November 11

Picture Retake Day



A Message from the Principal, Mrs. Reagan

Dear St. Catherine Laboure Families:

It is hard to believe we are almost through the first third of this school year. Time is going by so fast, yet so exciting. This past month, it was a joy to see the students take part in several activities.

The month began with our Pre-K blessing of the pets and soon after the lower elementary students had the opportunity to listen to members of the fire department and explore the fire trucks on campus. Our 8th graders then lead us with the grandparents' rosary. We always talk about how important family, focusing more on moms and dads, is to the health of a child and a school, but we don't always acknowledge the importance that the extended family has for a child. It was a blessing to see so many family members join us for the grandparents' rosary. Most recently our 8th graders also had an opportunity to visit for the day at Bishop McDevitt. This was a great experience for them as they prepare to make their decisions for high school.

Inside the classrooms, there are many wonderful things taking place. The classes have reading buddies in which older grades are reading to the younger grades. Some classes prepared rap songs to summarize their learning and presented them to parents. Other classes are doing amazing science experiments, art projects, and other engaging activities. There are wonderful things happening inside and outside the classrooms at St. Catherine Laboure and we look forward to continuing the next two trimesters with as much activity, engagement, and support.

Peace,
Mrs. Jodi Reagan
Principal



VENDORS NEEDED!!!!!!

Do you know anyone who does Direct Sales or is a Crafters of all types????? If so, please send them the flyer at the end of the newsletter to sign up to be a vendor for our Second Annual PTO Holiday Bazaar and Pancake Breakfast!

Date: Sunday, December 1st

Time & Place: 8:00AM – 11:30AM, Saint Catherine Laboure School (Murray Hall – the gym)

School families will have until October 12th to exclusively reserve your space until the opportunity is extended to the rest of the Parish family.

Final Deadline for reservation is Saturday, November 9th

Middle School Halloween Dance

Make sure you sign up to attend the Middle School Halloween Dance on Friday, Nov 1st from 7:00-9:30 in the gym.

Costumes encouraged but not necessary, free to attend.

To RSVP or sign up to bring a treat -

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054AADAA2FA1FB6-scls>

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November 14

3:30pm-7:00pm - Fall Fundraiser
Pick Up – Room 103
7:00pm – PTO General Meeting

November 15

Pre-K Parent/Teacher Conferences
No Pre-K Classes
8:30am – Mass (5L)

November 22

8:30am – Mass (4L)

November 27

10am – Prayer Service (3C)
11:30am – Early Dismissal

November 28-December 2

No School – Thanksgiving Break

December 1

8am-11:30am - PTO Holiday
Pancake Breakfast and Craft
Bazaar; Murray Hall

December 3

School Resumes



A Note from the SCLS PTO President, Erin Henderson

Welcome to November, SCLS Families.

In the spirit of thankfulness and gratefulness and all that November brings, I want to take this time to offer a public service announcement of sorts on behalf of the PTO and anyone who is a volunteer for our school.

These first two months of school have not been easy ones for this PTO Board, especially in regard to the Fall Fundraiser. We all realize that when you put the word “mandatory” next to something, it immediately can turn people off. We also realize that this year there are changes with the Fundraiser, particularly with the penalties for not participating, that many people have not liked. Some of this goes along with the Fall Fundraiser year after year and is expected. The problem, however, is how this has been expressed to us this year. Whether it has been through a negative letter or social media post, something unkind that was said face to face or was written on the paperwork turned in with fundraiser materials, the overall tone this year has been extremely disappointing.

I would ask you to think if you would be OK with your children doing any of those things to one of their peers. If the answer is no, please realize that it is equally not OK to do to another adult. We are volunteers. We are doing the best that we can with the same goal that I hope all of you have – to make SCLS the best possible school for all of our children. It doesn't matter if you are a working parent who doesn't have the ability to help out at school, or you are the chair of a committee, a homeroom parent, a volunteer or are one of the four PTO Board members... We all deserve to be treated respectfully. Our kids are looking to us as examples, and I hope we can all show them that even when you don't like something – mandatory or not – that there is a way to communicate your feelings without making anyone else feel badly.

The PTO is always looking for ways to make things more successful and reasonable for families. If you have thoughts or ideas please feel free to share them with us in a respectful way and we can all try to come up with a solution that works for the entire student body.

I, personally, am thankful and grateful for the support of Mrs. Reagan, Father Lease and Father Josh, and all the teachers and staff at SCLS for their encouragement and positivity. My hope is that we can put the negative behind us and move forward as a school family together.

Wishing all of our SCLS families a Happy Thanksgiving.

Erin Henderson

PTO Executive Board

Erin Henderson
President

Katie Sullivan
Vice President

Dorian Skrinak
Treasurer

Danielle Harper
Secretary

Father James Lease
Pastor

Mrs. Jodi Reagan
Principal



As we head in the season of thanksgiving and giving, please consider donating your old, clean winter apparel including coats, hats, scarves and gloves. Sweatshirts with hoods (hoodies) are also being accepted.

This year, St. Catherine Laboure is collaborating with the Joshua House for the distribution of the much-needed items.

Please refer to the flyer at the end of the newsletter for additional information.

Thank you,
Natalie Barbush

Class Mass Schedule

SCLS students celebrate Mass at
8:30 am

November 1 – All Saints – 5C

November 8 – 4C

November 15 – 5L

November 22 – 4L

November 27 – 3C (Prayer Service at
10:00 am)

Everyone is welcome to attend.

The schedule is tentative and is subject to
change

Happy Birthday!



November 11 – Sue Spoljaric

November 12 – Hannah Bowmaster

November 17 – Amy Blascovich

November 18 – Denise Perloski

November 19 – Julie Delany

November 20 – Sondra Kenny

November 22 – Doug Wallace

November 27 – Marya Dempsey

YEARBOOK! YEARBOOK!

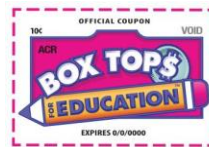
Only a few extra copies have been ordered and they will be sold on a
first come, first serve basis.

<https://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 .

Please contact Colleen Formica at
cformica78@gmail.com with any questions.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION UPDATE



SEE THIS...
CLIP IT



SEE THIS...
SCAN
YOUR RECEIPT

Keep on collecting! Over the summer, BTFE has announced their move to ELECTRONIC BOX TOP COLLECTIONS. In addition to clipping the familiar pink and yellow Box Tops on product packages, you can download the Box Top app to your mobile device and scan your receipts to get Box Top Credit for SCLS. More information will be sent home soon, but in the meantime, check out the new ways to earn money at BTFE.com. Register to get updates and news that will help us beat our goal of \$1000 in this school year!

Please contact KC Torta @ 724-272-7375 (call or text) if you have any questions!

USED UNIFORM



Save the Date!

The PTO Gently-Used Uniform Sale will be held Sunday November 10 from 8:30am-12:45pm in the school cafeteria. Please enter through the church narthex. Gently-used uniforms may be turned into the school office any time prior to the sale. If you would like to receive credit PLEASE include a summary of your items (for example: 2 – polos, 1 gym shirt, etc) with student's name in order to receive credits. Any questions please contact Kelly Rogers: krogers@sclhbg.org. Thanks!

**Newsletter Submissions: If you would like to submit information for the
newsletter, please email information to d_mehalick@hotmail.com**

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!



November 7th
4:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Union Deposit

Flyer Needed
(at end of newsletter)

October, November and December
All Day/Every Day
Derry Street

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(at end of newsletter)



Thank you to all who came out on October 9th! We raised \$165!



The PTO is once again partnering with Student Council for a school-wide service project.

As a school community, we will be collecting soda can tabs to be donated to the Ronald McDonald House. Our goal is to reach **100 pounds** of tabs. If the school can meet this goal by mid-May, the PTO will provide a special prize to the entire student body. We are also hoping that once 50 pounds of tabs have been reached that we will do a half-way treat as well.

Student Council will be encouraging classes to keep the collection going through the next few months. The Ronald McDonald House sells all aluminum tabs collected to a local recycling company, and proceeds help with daily operating expenses at the Ronald McDonald House. Our hope is that as a school community we can help families staying at the Ronald McDonald House through our collection - "Kids Helping Kids!"

The soda tab collection begins **NOW** - so start sending them in!



SUB AND SANDWICH SALE TOTALS:

The PTO wants to thank everyone who participated in the Fall Sub Sale. It was a HUGE success!!!

Our goal was to sell 500 but you all went above and beyond and sold a total of **1112 subs & sandwiches!!!!** Our profit from this event is **over \$2,600.**

These funds are vital to helping us maintain all the great PTO sponsored events such as the Ice Cream Socials, Catholic Schools Week, in addition to keeping a full-time nurse on staff at SCLS.

SAVE THE DATE
February 8th, 2020

Friends of St. Catherine's presents

Winter Wonderland Gala

February 8, 2020

Harrisburg Hilton

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All proceeds from the \$125 per ticket (\$110 until 12/31/19), black tie optional affair, will benefit St. Catherine Laboure School and the Christian McNaughton Endowment Fund.

About Us

The Friends of St. Catherine Gala is our School's premier fundraising event. Since its inception, the Gala has raised over \$873,000 for the School. These funds have been used to purchase much needed equipment and supplies, make necessary improvements to our School, and to provide tuition assistance to those in need. The first Gala was held in the year 2000 and built upon an Endowment Fund established in 1997 after the sudden death of one of our preschoolers, Christian McNaughton. Through the Gala and the Endowment Fund Christian's memory and legacy lives on.

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



November 7, 2019 to
January 7, 2020

WINTER COAT DRIVE

Spread Love and Warmth this season

Clean coats, hats, scarves, gloves and blankets, in good condition, will be collected and provided to The Joshua House to be distributed to Allison Hill Ministries for those in need in the area. New this year: Hoodies (sweatshirt with hood) are also being accepted and are in high demand as are hats.

Have winter
apparel you no
longer need

Please donate so
that others may be
warm this season

Coats, Hats,
scarves, gloves
blankets,
sweatshirts with
hoods/hoodies

Spreading warmth
and God's Love

Contact Natalie Barbush:
nbarbush@gmail.com or
717-443-7356

Donations Drop:
St. Catherine Laboure School
4020 Derry Street
Harrisburg, Pa. 17111 Monday
through Friday during school
hours

SPIRIT WEAR

PTO is selling Spirit Wear items!

To order, please fill out and clip the bottom of this flyer and send it into the school office with cash or check (made out to SCLS PTO). Quantities are limited - first come, first served.



Cinch Sack - \$10



Magnet - \$5



Water bottle - \$13



Beanie hat - \$15



Baseball hat - \$20



Lanyard - \$5



Name: _____ Homeroom: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

Please enter the quantity requested on the line

Baseball Hat: _____ (\$20 each) Beanie Hat: _____ (\$15 each)

Magnets: _____ (\$5 each) Cinch Sacks: _____ (\$10 each)

Water Bottles: _____ (\$13 each) Lanyard: _____ (\$5 each)

Total: \$ _____

**YOU'RE INVITED TO BE A VENDOR AT OUR SECOND ANNUAL
HOLIDAY BAZAAR & PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

We are seeking Direct Sale Vendors & Crafters of all types!

Date: Sunday, December 1st

Time & Place: 8:00AM – 11:30AM, Saint Catherine Laboure School (Murray Hall – the gym)

Cost is \$25 per 10' X 4' table. You may purchase as many tables as you need.

Direct sale vendors will be limited to *one vendor per company*. First come, first serve!

You will be notified via e-mail of your acceptance

School families will have until October 12th to exclusively reserve your space until the opportunity is extended to the rest of the Parish family.

Final Deadline for reservation is Saturday, November 9th

Your \$25 fee includes advertisement of your booth through the Sunday Saint Catherine Laboure Church bulletin the weekend before the Bazaar, through the school Facebook page, and through a flyer that will go home in the Wednesday folder before Thanksgiving.

Please detach the bottom of this form and return as soon as possible to reserve your space. Please include your \$25 fee in the form of cash or a check made out to the SCLS PTO.

More information will be sent to confirmed vendors closer to event time.
Questions can be directed to any PTO Board member (pto@sclhbg.org).

Erin Henderson, President – erinhenderson1978@comcast.net
Katie Sullivan, Vice President – katiesullivan79@gmail.com
Dorian Skrinak, Treasurer – dgs4912@yahoo.com
Danielle Harper, Secretary – d_mehalick@hotmail.com

Vendor Name: _____

Business Name: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Direct Sales Company (if applicable): _____

Description of Items to be sold: _____

Number of Tables Requested: _____ **Fee enclosed: \$** _____



HELP SUPPORT

SAINT CATHERINE LABOURE SCHOOL

WHERE 4263 Union Deposit Rd, Harrisburg, PA 17111

WHEN Thurs, Nov 7th

FROM 4:00pm - 8:00pm

Bring this flyer or show an electronic version to the cashier when you place your order and we'll donate a portion of the proceeds from your purchase.*

Ordering Online for Rapid Pick-Up or Delivery?*

Enter **"PRFUND"** as your Promo Code to have a portion of your proceeds donated to your organization.

Learn more at [FundraisingPaneraBread.com](https://www.fundraisingpanerabread.com)

*Gift card purchases and catering orders are excluded and will not count toward the event. Rapid Pick-Up and Delivery only where available.

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Attention Saint Catherine Laboure Families...

Franco's Pizzeria is supporting **SCLS** all day and everyday for the months of **October, November** and **December!** They will give back **10%** of all proceeds from sales for these months. So when the family is hungry for pizza or your busy schedule needs the convenience of take out consider...

Franco's Pizzeria
4810 Derry Street
717.525.7385

Must provide below ticket at time of sale!
 Thank you for supporting our school!

Please join us and support
Saint Catherine Laboure School
 Organization Name

FRANCO'S

 P I Z Z E R I A

4810 Derry Street, Harrisburg, PA 17111
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When you visit Franco's Pizzeria, at the date and time listed below, Franco's will donate **10% of the proceeds to your organization.**

Enjoy family, friends and great food!

Date: Oct, Nov, Dec. Time: All Day

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