

SAINT CATHERINE LABOURÉ SCHOOL NEWS

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REMINDER: DATES ARE SUBJECT
TO CHANGE



April 2021

A Message from the Principal, Mrs. Reagan

Happy Springtime SCLS families,

This month of April, we are excited not only to begin it with our Easter Break, but also to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. We pray everyone enjoys and celebrates this significant event in the calendar with peace and gratitude. The month of April does not consist of many events or activities as this is the time we will be conducting our final STAR assessment tests.

While April does not appear to be a month filled with calendar activities, the month of March kept us busy. During March, we not only began our third and final trimester, but we also began our spring uniforms when the daylight savings time began. We began the month with the 9th annual Mini-THON which raised an amazing amount in support of the Four Diamonds. On March 17th, we were able to enjoy seeing the students and teachers dressed in their green to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. The Leprechaun catchers that the 3rd graders created were fun to see in the hallways. The student council conducted a fundraiser for a pot of gold chocolate to help support their group. Our PTO held several fundraising events to include Chipotle night, Freckled Moose, and sub sales. We then ended the month with our penance service for our 2nd-8th grade students.

We are now only about 2 months away from the end of this school year. As I stated earlier, April is a slower month however, May will pick back up with several events to include 8th grade confirmation, Royal Run, PreK/Kindergarten end of year celebrations, and 8th grade graduation. We have lots of exciting events to look forward to as the year end will be upon us quickly. As always, thank you to our SCLS families for entrusting your children to us and for the support you provide to them and the school daily. We wish you a happy and blessed Easter.

John 3:16: "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

Peace,
Mrs. Jodi Reagan
Principal

April 1-April 9

**NO SCHOOL-EASTER
VACATION**

April 10

First Holy Communion Retreat

April 12

SCHOOL RESUMES

April 23

8th Grade Semi-Formal Dance
(Invitation to Follow)

April 26

Virtual Learn at Home Day

April 27

Catholic Faith Bee

April 29

First Holy Communion Rehearsal

May 1

First Holy Communion

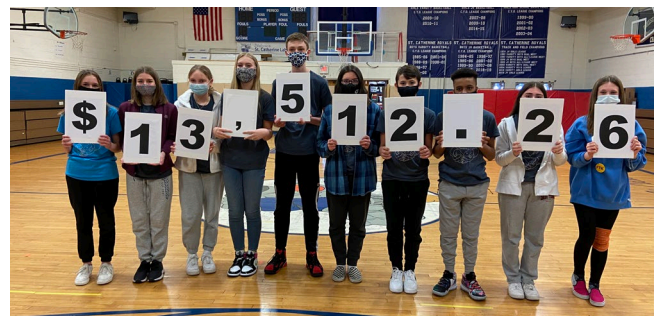
SCLS Four Diamonds Mini-THON Update

If there is one thing we can learn from this past year, it is that there are no limits to what SCLS can do!! Since the time of the "Reveal", we received a few additional donations making the grand total **\$13,727.26!!!**

This year's MiniTHON was certainly not like the rest and it was a total redesign of the event due to our current situation. A lot of planning and hard work went into preparing for the MiniTHON. We want to give a very special thank you to the 8th grade Student Volunteer MiniThon Committee and all their 8th grade peers. We also want to thank our teachers especially Mrs. Bader and Mrs. Spoljaric, Mrs. Reagan, Fr. Lease. None of this would ever be possible without the support of our parents, and other volunteers, who dedicated their time, efforts and incredible talents to make sure MiniTHON was held. We wish to thank all of you for your generous support of and for the MiniTHON.

FTK!

The SCLS Four Diamonds MiniTHON Committee



A Note from the SCLS PTO President, Erin Henderson

Welcome to April, SCLS families!

It is very hard to believe that we are in our final trimester of this school year... and that we are still IN-school and IN-person... and that this is our first spring IN-person since 2019! We are so grateful for everyone at SCLS who has made this possible for our children.

While PTO has been light on events this year, we had several successful fundraisers in March. We thank each and every family who ordered R&K Subs/ Pretzel Sandwiches, Freckled Moose desserts, Spirit Wear, from Chipotle night and is patronizing Franco's (this fundraiser goes through the end of May - flyer is attached at the end of the newsletter!). We are happy to be able to announce that due to our fundraising efforts over the last several years, including these recent fundraisers, that the PTO has been able to purchase 22 security cameras to be installed throughout the school over the Easter break - specifically in the hallways, gym and cafeteria. While the main benefit of these cameras is student safety, they will also provide for the protection of property while students are in school and during after school activities, as well as filling a big need within the school. When we were deciding on a project to fund, it was important to the Board to choose something that would not only benefit the entire school community, but also leave a meaningful impact for after our time here at SCLS is done. The safety of all the kids that attend SCLS will always be of the utmost importance to us, and we could not think of a better use for the funds we have raised. The installation of these cameras was a worthy and important project to fund, and we could not have done this without the support of our families participating in our fundraising endeavors during the last several years that we have been your SCLS PTO Board. Thank you for always supporting us and allowing us to make this project happen!

While April will be a quiet month, the PTO is happy to do something special for our 8th graders by hosting an 8th Grade Semi-Formal for them on April 23 at the Country Club of Harrisburg. Their time at SCLS is coming to a close and they have missed out of so many things that make your 8th grade year at SCLS special. We hope that this event gives them something to look forward to and reminds them how proud we are of them!

Happy Easter to all!
Erin Henderson

PTO Executive Board

Erin Henderson
President

Katie Sullivan
Vice President

Janell Maglowski
Treasurer

Danielle Harper
Secretary

Father James Lease
Pastor

Mrs. Jodi Reagan
Principal



Fund for SCLS Update!

We are happy to report that we have raised **\$41,000 towards our \$55,000 goal** for the Fund for SCLS (our Annual Fund)! Thank you so much to all who have generously donated! These funds go to the school's operating budget and benefit all students! We have until June 30, 2021 to reach our goal - please consider donating! Here is the online link: https://secure.lglforms.com/form_engine/s/CmPOT01b9Onvzen_AfmqrA

Happy Birthday!

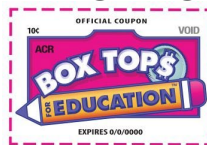
April 18 – Father Joshua Weaver

April 19 – Lindsey Jacob

April 28 – Samantha Slonac



BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION UPDATE



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Welcome to 2021 and a New Year for Box Tops For Education! Check your app for the New Year bonus purchases (earn extra Box Top credits with your purchases!) and a GREAT sweepstakes that can win YOU \$50!! We can also WIN big with Box Top credits!

Pro Tip: You can scan receipts for friends and relatives who don't have the app. Just use YOUR app and - with their permission! - scan their receipts!

Please visit boxtops4education.com for a link to the app plus more information about special bonuses and prizes!

Any questions or problems? Contact KC Torta @ 724.272.7375 for help.



AmazonSmile

Saint Catherine Laboure Parish and School are now part of Amazon Smile! Please visit smile.amazon.com and search for Saint Catherine Laboure Parish and School and make sure to select the one in Harrisburg, PA. All of your Amazon purchases will then benefit Saint Catherine's! Thanks so much for your support.

Amazon Teacher Wish Lists

Our teachers have put together wish lists for items needed in their classrooms. Follow the link below to find the wish lists or go to the PTO page on the school website. To order, simply go to the link order through your Amazon and follow the directions at the link below to have the items shipped directly to the school. Double bonus if you sign up to for Amazon Smile AND order from a wish list.

[SCLS Teacher Amazon Wish Lists – Saint Catherine Labouré Catholic School \(sclhbg.org\)](https://www.sclhbg.org/AmazonWishLists)

Upcoming Fundraisers

FRANCO'S fundraiser for April and May!!!

Every day during the months of April and May order from Franco's and SCLS gets 10% of all sales! Great location...close to school...stop in for lunch or dinner or pick up "to go" for those busy nights or weekends!

Share this fundraiser with all your family and friends!!!!



NOTE: Patrons need to present a paper flyer at time of order (flyer attached to end of newsletter!)

March fundraiser update....

During the month of March PTO held multiple fundraisers and everyone was a huge success. We are so grateful for the support of our SCLS families!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR NEVER-ENDING SUPPORT!

Chipotle Restaurant Night: \$388

R&K Sub/Sandwich Sale: \$2366

Freckled Moose Fundraiser: \$2255

Spirit Wear: TBD

FUNDRAISING....IT'S WORTH IT!!!!

Due to the constant support of our SCLS families throughout the year the PTO was able to work with the school and parish office to purchase 22 cameras for inside the school building. These cameras will be installed soon in all the hallways, stairwells, gym and cafeteria. They will be a part of a system upgrade that allows the administration to easily see any area of the school in real time.

"Investment in surveillance camera systems by school districts ensures parents and guardians that the general safety and security of children are being addressed during school hours and at all after-school extracurricular activities and programs."

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT!



PTO Monthly Teacher Appreciation

For March teacher appreciation, the PTO provided some snacks for our amazing staff. These amazing gifts are made possible because of all the SCLS families supporting all the PTO fundraising events throughout the year

THANK YOU FACULTY AND STAFF AT SCLS!!!!



Dear PTO,

Good morning. I hope you, and your family are well. Much to be thankful for. I wanted to thank you, and the PTO for the treats that were placed in the Faculty room the other day. It's much appreciated. Have a blessed day.

God bless and prayers,

Mr. Bielawa

Jeremiah 1:5 St. Joseph; Terror of Demons: Pray for us!

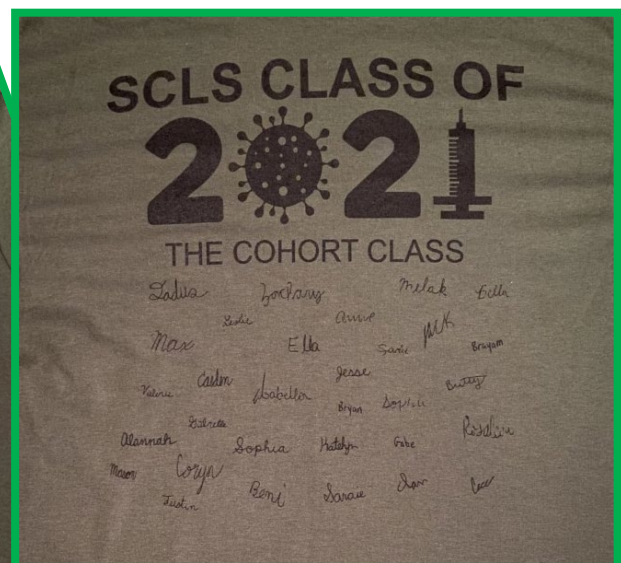


8th Grade T-Shirts

Designed by our 8th grade students to celebrate their last year as SCLS Royals.

"Take pride in how far you have come and have faith in how far you can go."

And never forget....once a Royal, always a Royal!



GETTING TO KNOW OUR ST CATHERINE FAMILY

NAME: Stephanie Grossnickle

WHAT SECTION DO YOU TEACH? 6-7-8 Learning Support

WHERE DID YOU GROW UP AT (CITY/STATE)? Hummelstown, PA

HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN HARRISBURG? Since 1978

WHAT IS YOUR ALMA MATER? Lebanon Catholic High School

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A TEACHER? Teaching since 1987

HOW LONG HAVE YOU TAUGHT AT ST CATHERINE LABOURE?

Since 1987

WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE SUBJECT IN SCHOOL? Reading and English

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE BOOK OR AUTHOR? Where the Red Fern Grows

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MOVIE? Pretty Woman

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE FOOD? Subs and salads

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MOTIVATIONAL QUOTE? "Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless."-Mother Teresa

WHAT IS ONE FUN FACT ABOUT YOU THAT THE STUDENTS AT ST CATHERINE WOULD ENJOY? I foster dogs and usually have a houseful, often mothers and pups.



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NAME: Christina Castellano

WHAT SECTION DO YOU TEACH? 8C

WHERE DID YOU GROW UP AT (CITY/STATE)? Near State College, PA

HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN HARRISBURG? 25 years

WHAT IS YOUR ALMA MATER? Penn State 1990, HACC 2013,
Penn State 2016

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A TEACHER? 5 years

HOW LONG HAVE YOU TAUGHT AT ST CATHERINE LABOURE? 3 years in 4th
and this is my 2nd year in middle school.

WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE SUBJECT IN SCHOOL? Sociology, English and Art

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE BOOK OR AUTHOR? Kate DiCamillo - The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MOVIE? While You Were Sleeping, Pretty in Pink and Sleepless in Seattle

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE FOOD? Steak and baked potatoes

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MOTIVATIONAL QUOTE? "The early bird may get the worm, but the second mouse always gets the cheese."

WHAT IS ONE FUN FACT ABOUT YOU THAT THE STUDENTS AT ST CATHERINE WOULD ENJOY? I have an incredible sweet tooth and love to try all different kinds of candy. My favorite so far is Hi-Chew from Japan.



GETTING TO KNOW OUR ST CATHERINE FAMILY

NAME: Cheryl Bonifacino

WHAT SECTION DO YOU TEACH? 4C

WHERE DID YOU GROW UP AT (CITY/STATE)? Philadelphia and Philadelphia suburbs (Bucks County)

HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN HARRISBURG? 40 years

WHAT IS YOUR ALMA MATER? Penn State

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A TEACHER? 30+ years

HOW LONG HAVE YOU TAUGHT AT ST CATHERINE LABOURE? 30 years

WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE SUBJECT IN SCHOOL? Geography

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE BOOK OR AUTHOR? Eat, Pray, Love; I like many authors!

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MOVIE? Love Actually and Rocky

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE FOOD? Too many to mention! (I love food!)

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MOTIVATIONAL QUOTE? "No act of kindness however small is ever wasted."

WHAT IS ONE FUN FACT ABOUT YOU THAT THE STUDENTS AT ST CATHERINE WOULD ENJOY? I have seen the Beatles in person 3 times.



GETTING TO KNOW OUR ST CATHERINE FAMILY

NAME: Tricia Healey

WHAT SECTION DO YOU TEACH? Preschool 3

WHERE DID YOU GROW UP AT (CITY/STATE)? Bellefonte, PA

HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN HARRISBURG? 18 years

WHAT IS YOUR ALMA MATER? St. Francis University

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A TEACHER?

HOW LONG HAVE YOU TAUGHT AT ST CATHERINE LABOURE? 2 years

WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE SUBJECT IN SCHOOL? Math

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE BOOK OR AUTHOR? Historical Fiction

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MOVIE? Pirates of the Caribbean and Star Wars

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE FOOD? Mexican/Italian

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MOTIVATIONAL QUOTE? "If it's to be, it's up to me."

WHAT IS ONE FUN FACT ABOUT YOU THAT THE STUDENTS AT ST CATHERINE WOULD ENJOY? I showed cows at the county fair as a kid.



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FRANCO'S



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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: Mar, Apr, May Time: All day

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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). You can also pay via Venmo - @sclsppt. 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: \$ _____