

NOVEMBER NEWS

ST. AGNES SCHOOL

November 16, 2017

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Thursday, November 16
Friday, November 17

Enrollment Committee Meeting – 6:30 pm
5th Grade Service Project (all Catholic Schools) at Little Flower
Mid Quarter (12:00 noon – 3:30 pm)
Orders and money due for Chick-fil-A 8th Grade Fundraiser
1:30 pm Dismissal

Monday, November 20

K-8 Parent – Teacher Conferences (3:00 – 8:00 pm)
Parents' Club Used Uniform Sale
Black Friday Grand Prize Raffle Drawing
11:30 am Dismissal

Tuesday, November 21

Chick-fil-A 8th Grade Fundraiser
K-8 Parent – Teacher Conferences (1:00 – 7:00 pm)
Parents' Club Used Uniform Sale

Wed. –Frid., Nov. 22 – 24
Sunday, November 26

No School – Thanksgiving Break
Singing Aces perform at Festival of Trees – 2:00 pm

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday, November 27

Classes Resume
Student Council Meeting (3:15 – 4:30 pm)

Wednesday, November 29

Scholastic Bowl Practice
Parochial Speech Meet at Little Flower – 9:00 am
Advent Wreath Lighting – 10:30 am
Elective Day

Saturday, December 1
Monday, December 4

1:30 pm Dismissal (Faculty Meeting)
School Board & Parents' Club Christmas Gathering – 6:30 pm
Student Council Decorates for Christmas after school
Grant Writing Committee Meeting – 6:30 pm
Scholastic Bowl Practice
Annual Fund Committee Meeting – 6:30 pm

Wednesday, December 6

Thursday, December 7



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear St. Agnes Parents,

Congratulations to our fifth and sixth grade basketball girls who won third place on Saturday in the Springfield Catholic Athletic League. Tomorrow we will be celebrating a pizza lunch with them. A special thank you to their coaches: Donald Watson and Eric Nelson.

We look forward to welcoming you to Parent-Teacher Conferences next Monday, November 20th, or Tuesday, November 21st. Students in grades 4-8 are required to come to the Conferences with their parents. We believe it is important at these grade levels to talk with our students rather than about them. The Conferences are an opportunity to provide more detailed information about the progress and growth of your child(ren) and to provide time for parents (and students in grades 4-8) to ask questions or express concerns. If you are unable to keep your scheduled time or did not receive your schedule for Conferences, please call the school office as soon as possible so that we can assist you.

Our Springfield Diocese has moved the Iowa Assessments to the spring this year so teachers will not be sharing these test results. We are hoping that a spring testing will give us a better picture of the progress of students.

Friday is the mid-term of this second quarter. There will be no written mid-term reports next week. The Conferences will take the place of these reports. If special area teachers have comments for parents, they will be giving them to the classroom teacher to be shared at the Conferences.

When coming to Conferences, you are asked to enter the doors near the gym. These will be the only doors that are unlocked during Conference times as the Late Day desk person as well as additional staff will be helping to monitor who is coming and going from our building. If you enter the main doors you will need to ring the bell. **There is Late Day on Conference Days.**

The Eighth grade class is selling Chick-Fil-A lunches for Tuesday when Late Day has to stay for early dismissal. Parents received order forms earlier this week if you are interested in purchasing these as the lunch for your child(ren).

Be sure to stop at the Book Fair in the Library before or after your Conferences. The children have been very excited about the Book Fair this week. You won't want to miss it. Used uniforms will be set up in the hall area leading to the library. Please check, too, the lost and found table for clothing that might belong to your (child)ren. Parents of children who attend Late Day are asked to take special note of the Lost and Found table as much of the clothing is collected each evening after Late Day. Please put your child's name on his/her clothing so that when it is misplaced, we can easily find the owner. Most of the clothing that gets lost is unmarked.

Congrats to all of the Parents' Club "Black Friday" winners. You can check the school's web page for a listing of these winners. The drawing for the "big" winner will take place next Tuesday, November 21st. Thank you to all of our families who have supported this Fund Raiser. It has raised over \$15,000 toward the Parents' Club projects for this school year.

Our eighth grade students are selling poinsettias as a class fund raiser for their Graduation activities. Those who have purchased them in the past have been very happy with them. If you do not need one perhaps you can consider donating to a homebound St. Agnes Parishioner. You will find an order form in today's Newsletter. They are due in the office on Monday, November 20th. Poinsettias can be picked up from the school cafeteria before and after all of the Masses December 2nd and 3rd.

We are so grateful to our many parents, grandparents and parishioners who volunteer their time in the cafeteria, library and on the playground. If you or a grandparent would be able to help us in these areas, please let us know. Six people are needed for

playground/classroom supervision, especially in the colder months when we are inside. In the cafeteria, when we are short, the kitchen workers have to split their time between the kitchen and the duties in the cafeteria. We do appreciate your help.

On Sunday, November 26th, at 2:00 p.m., our Singing Aces group of students will be performing at the Festival of Trees. Special thanks to Mrs. Terri DePatis who has prepared them for this event. The group of singers will be performing at various places in our community on December 6th.

As we begin the season of Advent, it's time to prepare for the celebration of *Christmas!* On Wednesday, December 6th, from 3:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., the Student Council will be decorating our school for the Christmas Season! Some decorations will be provided. Students may bring something to add to these decorations if they wish. In the front lobby, we always decorate a family Christmas tree. It contains ornaments from each of our school families. Ornaments for families are saved each year and put on the tree by the Student Council Officers. If you are new to St. Agnes School, you are invited to add an ornament to our school family tree. Students are asked to bring the ornament to the office and someone will assist with putting it on the tree. Please be sure your family name is marked on the ornament. All families might want to stop at the tree and find your ornament!

There is a Toys for Tots box in the school lobby if any family would like to donate new toys for Christmas. Yes, Christmas is coming!!

Faith Reflection: "Any effort toward peace, even the smallest, must begin with us. As we gather this Thanksgiving Day for all the gifts God has given us, all the treasures of family and food and plenty, let us remember those who live amid the bloodshed and violence of war. Let us be mindful of the many ways we can build a peace-filled community. Let us start with our families. Prayer is always a good way to begin. When you sit down to say grace on Thanksgiving, perhaps a message of forgiveness and healing could be included in that prayer. Forgiveness opens the door for reconciliation. Are there other small ways we can help mend divisions in our communities? Every small, sincere movement toward peace will bring us closer to God."
Paul Pennick

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your families! You will be a part of my prayers of thanksgiving on this Thanksgiving Day! I am grateful for all of God's daily gifts – you and your children are part of those daily gifts!

With gratitude,
Sr. Joan

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ABSENTEES

Each parent/guardian is required to notify the school office by 8:30 a.m. if a child will be absent that day. Homework requests may be made at this time. Parents can always leave a message on the school answering machine if the secretary cannot be reached. The answering machine is checked regularly.

A call should be made each day the student is absent, unless it is known that the child will miss several consecutive days. If such is the case, the school can be informed with the first phone call of the consecutive absence and the reason.

GRADE K

We are finishing up our Indian and Pilgrim units. We have made Indian crafts and learned about the Pilgrims. We are practicing for our Thanksgiving plays to be held in our classrooms on Tuesday at 11:00 am sharp. That day is an 11:30 dismissal so we will have to start on time. We hope you and many grandparents can attend. We also added letter Zz this week. We are zipping right along. We look forward to talking with you and sharing many nice things about your child at parent conferences. See you then! At Thanksgiving we are so thankful for your wonderful children! Students of the week: KA - Brennan Tapscott, KB - Addison Troppa. Parent Readers: KA - Grandpa Zeigler, KB - Michelle Cox (Isabelle's aunt).

GRADE 2

Congratulations to the following second graders who completed levels in Rocket Math and XtraMath. XtraMath Subtraction: John Cuyugan (3 second); XtraMath Multiplication: Brody Lyons (3 second); XtraMath Division: Brody Lyons (3 second)

JUNIOR HIGH

Junior high parents, this is a reminder that Monday, November 20th, is the last day for students to bring in items for our class service project, Contact Ministries. We are collecting new or gently used coats, scarves, gloves, and hats. We need all items by November 20th so they can be delivered before Thanksgiving. Thank you to all those who have already donated!

SINGING ACES

The Singing Aces will be performing at the annual Festival of Trees, on Sunday, Nov. 26th at 2:00 p.m. in the Orr Building. We would love to see you there! The choir will NOT be practicing on Thursday, Nov. 16th. Instead, we will have an extra rehearsal on Monday, Nov. 20th from 1:30-2:30 before Thanksgiving to prepare for our first Christmas performance. Please contact Mrs. DePatis if you have any questions!

CHICK-FIL-A LUNCH

The Eighth Grade class is offering a Chick-fil-A lunch on Tuesday, Nov. 21ST (11:30 dismissal). Cost is \$7.00 and includes a chicken sandwich, chips, cookie, and bottled water. Packed to take home or enjoy at Late Day! Please return the order form (attached to this newsletter) and money by Friday, Nov. 17.

8th GRADE POINSETTIA SALE

The St. Agnes 8th Grade Class is selling beautiful poinsettias for the Christmas Season to help fundraise mainly for the class trip. These large, gorgeous plants come in a 6 1/2 inch foil-covered container. The plants are available in red, white, pink and marble for \$15.00 each. Please keep the 8th grade class in mind when purchasing plants for your home, office, business, family, gifts, or to deliver to a homebound St. Agnes Parishioner or The Dominican Motherhouse. (We will take care of the delivery!)

Poinsettias will be **sold** at all Masses the weekend of **Nov. 18-19**. We will also be selling poinsettias at Parent/Teacher Conferences on **Nov. 20-21**. Poinsettias may be **picked up** at the school cafeteria (gym door entrance) before and after all Masses on **Dec. 2nd & 3rd**.

Please return your order form and payment (Checks payable to St. Agnes 8th Grade) to the school office or to the volunteers at the sales table before/after weekend Masses by **Monday, Nov.20th!**

Please call Lisa Sommer (899-5719), Michelle Zanin (370-9602), or Colleen Dunham (414-8981) with any questions. Thank you for supporting St. Agnes School 8th Grade Class!!!

LATE DAY

Late Day bills went home with the youngest child in the family on Wednesday of this week. Payment is due upon receipt of bill. **Send Late Day payments in a separate envelope marked Late Day Admin - Payment.** Any special notes for Late Day other than payments are to be sent in a separate envelope marked Late Day. **Please do not include any other school notes or lunch payments in with a Late Day payment or note.** Late Day Administration works typically every Tuesday after school and school/lunch information may get delayed to the correct area.


PARENTS' CLUB

Catch Our Spirit in style this Christmas! The Parents' Club will be offering the St. Agnes 1/4 zip polyester pullovers for a limited time this holiday season. Orders can be placed through November 28th to insure all items arrive before Christmas break. The order form can be found in last week's newsletter. Please send your order forms with payment to the office in an envelope marked 1/4 zip apparel Attn: Julie Ressler.

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Shop for everyone on your gift list this holiday at smile.amazon.com/ch/37-0661149 and Amazon donates to St. Agnes Church & School.

CELEBRATE SAINT CECILIA'S FEAST DAY!

Three local churches are gathering to celebrate Saint Cecilia's Feast Day on Tuesday, November 21 at Sacred Heart Church, [730 South 12th Street](#).

A concert of Praise begins at 7:00 pm followed by Mass at 7:30 pm. Music selections will be presented by the combined choirs of Blessed Sacrament, Saint Katharine Drexel and Christ the King.

SHG PLACEMENT TEST FOR 8TH GRADE STUDENTS

All area eighth graders are invited to Sacred Heart-Griffin on Saturday, December 9 from 8:30 until 11 a.m. for the Placement Test for incoming freshmen. Doors open at 8 a.m. Students should enter through the circle drive entrance at 1200 W. Washington St. and bring two #2 pencils and a \$10 testing fee. Calculators are allowed.

There will be a parent meeting at 8:30 a.m. in the Choral Room where Tuition Manager, Becky Jones, and President/Principal, Sr. Katherine O'Connor, will be available to answer questions. For more information, call Stephanie Phillips at 787-1595 ext. 126, or e-mail phillips@shg.org.





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Please return your order form and payment (checks payable to St. Agnes 8th Grade) to the school office or to volunteers at the sales table before/after weekend masses by **Monday, November 20, 2017**.

Please call Lisa Sommer #899-5719, Michelle Zanin #370-9602 or Colleen Dunham #414-8981 with questions.

Thank you for your order!



8th Grade Class Poinsettia Sale

Please return this portion with your order/payment.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Quantity	Color	Price	Total
_____	Red	\$15	_____
_____	White	\$15	_____
_____	Pink	\$15	_____
_____	Marble	\$15	_____
_____	*Donate	\$15	_____

Check#: _____

Grand Total Due: _____

Name of salesperson: _____

*If you buy and donate poinsettias for homebound St. Agnes parishioners, we will take care of delivery!



8th Grade Fundraiser

When: Nov. 21, Tuesday, 11:30 Dismissal
Take home or enjoy at Late Day

Cost: \$7.00

Includes: Sandwich, Chips, Cookie & Bottled Water

Orders and money due in the school office by Friday, Nov. 17. Cash or checks payable to: St. Agnes Eighth Grade. Order extra for friends and family!

Yes, I'd love to enjoy a Chick Fil-A Lunch!

No. of lunches ____ X \$7.00 = ____ Total Paid

Lunches will be delivered to classrooms before dismissal.

Student's Name

Classroom

St. Agnes SCRIP Order Form

Revised Oct. 3, 2017

Order Information

Order Date: _____

Family Name: _____

Work/Home Phone: _____

St. Agnes Student Name: _____

Teacher/Grade: _____

Check One: Pick up at Church Send home with Student

(Delivery) Put in staff Mailbox Pick up at School Office

General Information:

Orders placed on **MONDAY BY NOON** will generally be filled and delivered on Friday. Questions? Contact Amanda Field (502-6235) or Christine Kanoski (622-8199) or by email. Email: stagnesscrip@gmail.com.

Shop with SCRIP

We have our popular gift cards in stock, so stop by the office if you need some. Tell your friends, family – they can shop through SCRIP also!

TOTALS:

Total # SCRIP Purchased: _____

Total Amount Due: _____

Date Delivered: _____

Check Payment Option: (Payable to St. Agnes Parents Club/Scrip Account)

Check # _____

Mail Order

1. Check your order for accuracy. Inaccurate orders will be returned unprocessed.
2. Do NOT enclose cash. Check or money order only. Make payments to "St. Agnes Parents Club-Scrip"

Retailer	\$	Credit	Qty	Cost	Retailer	\$	Credit	Qty	Cost
Ace Hardware	\$25	4%			Choice Hotels	\$50	3%		
Aerie	\$25	10%				\$100	3%		
Amazon.com	\$25	2.5%			Chuck E. Cheese	\$10	8%		
AMC Theaters	\$25	8%			Claire's	\$10	9%		
American Girl	\$25	9%			Cold Stone Creamery	\$10	8%		
American Eagle Outfitters	\$25	10%			Container Store	\$25	9%		
Applebee's	\$25	8%			County Market	\$25	5%		
American Express	\$100	1.50%				\$100	5%		
Arbys	\$10	8%			Cracker Barrel	\$10	8%		
Babies-R-Us (Toys-R-Us)	\$20	1.5%			Crate and Barrel	\$25	8%		
Barnes & Noble Bookstores	\$10	8%			Crazy 8	\$25	13%		
	\$25	8%			CVS Pharmacy	\$25	6%		
Bass Pro Shop	\$25	9%				\$100	6%		
Bath & Body Works	\$10	13%			Dairy Queen	\$10	3%		
	\$25	13%			Dave & Buster's	\$25	13%		
Bed Bath & Beyond	\$25	7%			Dennis Uniforms	\$20	5%		
Bella Milano	\$25	10%			Denny's	\$10	7%		
Bergners	\$25	9%			Dick's Sporting Goods	\$25	8%		
Best Buy	\$25	4%			Dillard's	\$25	9%		
	\$100	4%			Discover	\$50	1.25%		
Bob Evans	\$10	10%				\$100	1.25%		
BP Gas	\$50	1%			Disney Gift Card	\$25	3%		
	\$100	1%				\$100	3%		
	\$250	1%			Dress Barn	\$25	8%		
Buffalo Wild Wings	\$25	9%			Domino's Pizza	\$10	8%		
Build-A-Bear	\$25	8%			Dunkin Donuts	\$10	3%		
Burger King	\$10	4%			Express / Express for Men	\$25	10%		
Burlington Coat Factory	\$25	8%			Family Video	\$10	12%		
Cabela's	\$25	11%			Fannie May Candies	\$10	25%		
California Pizza Kitchen	\$10	4%			Finish Line	\$25	10%		
Carter's/Oshkosh	\$25	10%			Footlocker Stores	\$25	9%		
Champs Sports Store (Footlocker)	\$25	9%			GameStop	\$25	3%		
Cheesecake Factory	\$25	5%			GNC	\$25	8%		
Children's Place	\$25	12%			Gordon Food Service (GFS)	\$25	4%		
Chili's	\$25	11%			Great Clips	\$25	8%		
Chipotle Mexican Grill	\$10	10%							

Retailer	\$	Credit	Qty	Cost	Retailer	\$	Credit	Qty	Cost
Gymboree	\$25	13%			Papa Murphy's	\$10	8%		
Hallmark	\$25	4%			PetSmart	\$25	4%		
Hardees	\$10	5%			Pier One Imports	\$25	9%		
Home Depot	\$25	4%			Pizza Hut	\$10	8%		
	\$100	4%			Pottery Barn (Williams Sonoma)	\$25	7%		
IHOP	\$25	8%			Qdoba Mexican Grill	\$25	7%		
iTunes	\$15	5%			Radio Shack	\$25	4%		
	\$25	5%			Red Lobster	\$25	8%		
J.Crew	\$25	13%			Red Robin	\$25	8%		
Jiffy Lube	\$30	8%			Regis Salons	\$25	8%		
JC Penney	\$25	5%			Ross Dress for Less	\$25	8%		
	\$100	5%			Sam's/Walmart	\$25	2.5%		
Jo Ann Fabrics	\$25	6%		\$100		2.5%			
Joe's Pizza	\$10	10%		\$250		2.5%			
Journeys	\$25	10%			Sears	\$25	4%		
K Mart	\$25	4%			\$100	4%			
	\$50	4%			Sephora	\$25	5%		
Kohls	\$25	4%			Shell Gas	\$25	2.5%		
	\$100	4%		\$50		2.5%			
Krispy Kreme	\$10	8%		\$100		2.5%			
Land's End	\$25	16%			Shoe Carnival	\$25	5%		
Lettuce Entertain You	\$25	12%			Shop N Save	\$25	4%		
Little Caesars	\$20	8%			\$100	4%			
LL Bean	\$25	15%			Shutter Fly	\$25	9%		
Longhorn Steakhouse (Darden)	\$25	8%			Smashburger	\$10	10%		
Lowe's Home Improvement	\$25	4%			Staples	\$25	5%		
	\$100	4%			Starbucks	\$10	7%		
Luers	\$20	5%			\$25	7%			
Macy's	\$25	10%			Steak N Shake	\$10	8%		
	\$100	10%			Subway	\$10	6%		
Marathon	\$25	3%			\$50	6%			
	\$100	3%			T.J. Maxx	\$25	7%		
Marathon Jumbo Card	\$250	4%			\$100	7%			
Maurices	\$20	7%			Taco Bell	\$10	3%		
Meijer	\$25	3%			Talbots	\$25	13%		
	\$100	3%			Tanger Outlets	\$25	8%		
Menards Home Centers	\$25	3%			Target	\$25	2.5%		
	\$100	3%			\$100	2.5%			
Michaels	\$25	4%			Texas Roadhouse	\$25	8%		
Mobil (Exxon)	\$50	1%			TGI Friday's	\$25	9%		
Mobil (Exxon Jumbo Card)	\$250	1%			Toys-R-Us	\$20	3%		
Noodle's & Company	\$10	8%			Ulta	\$25	4%		
O'Charleys	\$25	13%			Visa	\$50	1.25%		
Office Depot	\$25	4%				\$100	1.25%		
Old Navy (Gap,Banana Republic,Piperlime)	\$25	14%				\$250	1.25%		
Olive Garden (Darden)	\$25	8%			Walgreens	\$25	5%		
Oriental Trading Company	\$25	9%			\$100	5%			
Outback Steakhouse	\$25	8%			Wendy's	\$10	4%		
Overstock.com	\$25	8%			Zappos.com	\$25	8%		
Panda Express	\$25	8%							
Panera	\$10	8%							
	\$25	8%							
Papa John's	\$10	8%							

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