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Saint Teresa School

*We are a faith-filled Catholic community called by God
to teach, nurture and guide our children
to achieve their God-given potential on life's journey to heaven.*

Faith Community Academic Excellence



October 17, 2018 – St. Ignatius of Antioch

Dear Parents,

In addition to being the Month of the Holy Rosary, October is Pastor Appreciation Month! In light of the recent priest scandals in our nation and close to home, priest appreciation might be far from our minds. However, this might be a better time than any to show our support for our faithful priests who are also suffering through this. There are many ways we can let our parish priests know how grateful we are for their service. For ideas on how to show your appreciation, check out [“19 Ways to Let Your Parish Priest Know You Appreciate Him.”](#)

The article states, “Our parish priests are some of the hardest working members of the Church. The typical parish priest works every weekend and holiday, lives in the same building as their office, and only gets one day off a week, not to mention they are being asked to care for more souls and take on more responsibilities and roles than ever before.”

Below are a few of the ideas. In the article, each has a brief example or two to illustrate.

Pray for Your Priest(s)
Cook Them a Meal, Especially on Their Busy Days
Celebrate Their Special Days
Pray More, Complain Less
Offer to Help
Go to Mass and/or Confession
Write Them a Note Expressing Your Gratitude...
Have Realistic Expectations and Be Helpful...

Check out the website for the rest of the ideas and details! Let us pray for our priests, as well as all those affected by the scandals. The evil one seeks to divide and sow fear and distrust. May we come together as a community of believers and strengthen one another, trusting in God the Father’s love for us.

With prayers of gratitude for you, In Christ our King,
Sister Mary Faustina, CK

DATES for:

October	17	PK & K Field Trip	
	18	End of 1 st Qtr. 6 th grade Class Mass	2 nd grade Field Trip
	19	Walk the Little Way following Mass	12:30 Dismissal
	22	4 th grade field trip	
	24	Report cards go home (1 st Qtr.)	
	26	Confessions – 3 rd , 6 th , and 7 th grades	
	31	All Saints Parties	
November	1	No School – All Saints Day!	
	2	No School – Faculty mtg. and CLC	
	5-8	Candy Tithing	
	7	Leadership Board mtg., 7 p.m.	
	7-14	Thanksgiving Food Drive	
	9	JH Honor Choir at Pius & evening concert	
	11	Parish Bazaar	
	13	No School Family Mtg. due to the mandatory stewardship mtgs. in Oct.	

THINGS BEING SENT HOME: Fees Due (Lunch, Library, & Copy), as of the end of the 1st Quarter; Grade 4 Field Trip form; Lunch and Library Notices

ATTACHMENTS: Community Awareness-Nov. 13; Eucharistic Procession Details-Nov. 4; Choose Love flyer

HOLY FATHER'S OCTOBER INTENTION: The Mission of Religious - That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.

PRAY FOR THIS SEMINARIAN: Dale Alder, Theology 2 at Mt. St. Mary, from St. Peter Parish

IMPORTANT SAFETY, PARKING, AND CHECK-IN INFORMATION: The area in front of the school entrance is a loading and drop-off zone. Please do not park or leave your vehicle unattended in this area. We have delivery trucks and our school field trip bus that need to use this area at various times throughout the day. Please park your vehicle on side streets or in the church parking lot. The only exception is if you are coming in for a very brief period of time to check out or check in your student at the office. Please share this information with others who may pick up or drop off your children. Also, if you are visiting the school, please sign in at the office. It is very important for everyone's safety, to know who is in the school at all times. Thank you for your cooperation.

WALK THE LITTLE WAY:

+Pray for its success

+**October 19**, after Mass the students will pray while walking to Calvary Cemetery and back. You are more than welcome to join us. Students are to wear their WTLW t-shirt with jeans or uniform pants. They may need a jacket. Looks like a sunny day!

+Goal of \$40,000. If each family raises \$300 we will reach our goal.

+Donors can give at <https://www.thelittleflower-lincoln.com> or bring in donations to school. Donations will be accepted until October 31st. After this date donations will go towards 2019-2020 Walk.

+Funds go towards textbooks, teacher supplies, NCEA convention, Student Council stipend, and a gym makeover.

+We are striving for 100% participation! If we reach 100% participation the students will be treated to a Valentino's lunch. So far we have **76/125 families** who have participated.

+ In November, **every** school family will receive a letter detailing how much their family donated to the walk.

+ Please contact Mary Koenig if you have questions regarding donations. dougmarykoenig@inebraska.com

STRATEGIC PLANNING: St. Teresa School received a Flavin Fund grant to pay for *Partners in Mission* to help develop a strategic plan for our school. Father and I asked Joan Tasler and Justin Johnson to be the co-chairs of this process. Under this we have a staff member and a couple other people (parents, alumni, former parents) to serve under one of these domains: Academics, Advancement, Enrollment, Facilities, Finances, Governance, Mission, and Student Life. The purpose of this process is to develop strategic goal statements and preliminary objectives by analyzing our mission and where the school needs to go to achieve our Vision - to be the best it can be with God's grace. The Domains will be meeting Oct. 23rd to start the process. Please pray for us. Then there will be a two-day "retreat" in April that the Domains will be sharing the information they have gathered to discuss and come up with our goal statements/objectives. May God bless this work and those who are involved.

SUPERBOWL OF THE SAINTS Due to a mechanical system renovation, we are unable to host the Superbowl of the Saints this year. Sorry, we miss it, too. – The School Sisters of Christ the King

S.T.A.G.E. WINTER MUSICAL PRODUCTION: *The Selfish Giant and Jack*. Performance weekends are January 18-27. **Auditions** for students ages 8-15 years will take place **Oct. 26 and 27** in Kaczmarek Hall. Go to stage4kids.com and use the **signup genius** link. Students will need to prepare a short monologue and song (found on website) to audition. Tuition and scheduling information is also available at stage4kids.com.

PARISH BAZAAR: Sunday, **Nov. 11** - This year, we are going to purchase items out of our budget instead of parents bringing items in. I have included a couple of volunteers in the sign up to help me shop for prizes if needed. We can determine when works best for you if you are willing to help shop. Thanks!

Games run from 11-3 and we need workers each hour for each game. Some games are best with a parent and student.

Students can also use this time as service hours. (Face painting booth, etc.) Here is the link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F49ADA72FAB9-bazaar1>

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION AROUND THE STATE CAPITOL: Sunday, **Nov. 4, 3 p.m.** (find your spots by 2:30 p.m.) See attachment for a map. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pN2KdrmsGtI>

PROLIFE MOVIE- GOSNELL: The trial of America's biggest serial killer, PG 13 – showing at the Marcus Edgewood Theatre (trailer <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ttwkr8MM9Rk&feature=youtu.be>) <https://tinyurl.com/y9lu8knc>

CHOSE LOVE MOVEMENT: You are invited to this presentation at North American Martyrs on Monday, Oct. 29 at 6:30 pm. Scarlett Lewis will speak about creating safer, more peaceful, and loving schools. See the attached flyer.

STEWARDSHIP MEETING REMINDER: Please attend this very important meeting on your assigned day. If you cannot attend that day please attend a different day so that you do not miss this important information. Most meetings will be held in Kaczmarek Hall from 7-7:45 pm. The Oct. 17th meeting will meet in the school technology room 7 –7:45 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 17th (School Technology room) (3rd/4th) Arteaga, Bentz, Bernt, Carter, Cisneros, Coffey, English, Johnson (Michelle), Johnson (Brian/Nikki), Klabenes, Knievel, Langdon, Morin, Nagle, Parr, Rida, Schmid, Shasserre, Stratman, Tlamka, Torres Robles

Thursday, Oct. 18th: (PK) Anderson (Thomas/Felicia), Bauman, Brox, Cunningham (Sam/Mary), Duchesneau, Hraban, Johnson (Tate/Rose), Klein, Lackey, LeCorgne, Maxwell, Ottemann, Rouse, Ruhl, Rutledge (John/Jillian), Schilmoeller, Switzer, Tracy, Valladares, Van Gerpen

Wednesday, Oct. 24th: (K) Burda, Clark, Davis (William/Aubrey), Eusterwiemann, Heath, Mabie, Metzler, Nickolite, Owens, Potter, Quiroz, Romero, Rutledge (Jeff/Hannah), Schafers, Schinstock, Suyker, Vacek, Wesolowski, Wiechman, Willis, Wischnowski

Thursday, Oct. 25th: (6th/8th) Andreasen, Behne, Brigham, Charipar, Chratil, Erickson, Herrera, Knotwell, Koenig, Koos, Koperski, Kottwitz, Minchow, Naumann, Rosno, Scow, Sedlak, Sievert, Theisen, Timmerman

WAYS TO SERVE

SEND IN BOX TOPS NOW Our first deadline to mail in box top logos is October 31, so please continue to send them to school so we may earn as much as possible during this semester. Please neatly trim around the logo and check to make sure the logo hasn't expired.

HEALTH SCREENING: Our annual health screening is on **Wed./Thurs., Nov. 14 & 15**. **Please avoid making appointments on these mornings.** We need **volunteers** to help this run efficiently. Please sign up if you are able. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4DABAB2F4-saint> This helps it go quickly so students can get back to class. Thanks for your generosity!

SCRIP AND PROPLR NEWS: Learn more about mobile Scrip options and how to efficiently use Scrip at upcoming informational meetings that fit into your schedule by signing up for a 30 minute session at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090849ABAC2BA20-unlock> . Attending a mobile Scrip 101 meeting will enlighten even veteran Scrip users and perhaps even change the way you use Scrip! Please note that if you are assigned this week for the stewardship meeting, there are openings for the meeting 30 minutes prior to the stewardship meeting. LOW DENOMINATION CARDS (physical cards) will be available to special order while supplies last. We may opt to carry some of these cards in our inventory, but they will all be available to order from MyScripWallet beginning October 20. If you would prefer to use the conventional method of writing these in on the order form, you can do that as well. The following cards will offer lower denomination cards that are perfect for gift giving and stocking stuffing. You can also pre-order any of these cards this week by writing them in on your order form. Orders received in the office by Friday will be available to pick up on Wednesday, Oct. 24. Remember, these are available for a limited time and typically go very quickly.

Amazon.com \$5	Walmart \$10	Outback Steakhouse \$10
Applebee's \$10	Starbucks \$5	CVS Pharmacy \$10
Barnes & Noble \$5	IHOP \$10	Red Lobster \$10
Cold Stone Creamery \$5	Panera \$5	The Home Depot \$10
Darden Restaurants \$10 (Olive Garden,	Taco Bell \$5	Blimpie \$5
Longhorn Steakhouse, Cheddars)		

UPCOMING EVENTS / REMINDERS

IMPACT OF STRESS & ANXIETY ON OUR YOUTH: Nov. 4, 2018, 6:30 p.m. at the Lincoln High School Theatre - Presentation by Melissa Lafferty, a therapist with Nebraska Mental Health Centers. She works with children and adolescents of all ages. Melissa will discuss the difference between stress and anxiety and the impact that both have on children and adolescents. The influence of social media on stress and anxiety in today's youth will also be addressed and

the role teachers and parents can play to help support youth by promoting positive coping techniques and problem solving skills.

SCHOOL INFORMATION on PSL: Once you have a PowerSchool Learning (PSL) account, you can join the St. Teresa School Office Class by following this link: <https://cdol.learning.powerschool.com/theresa-kottwitz/st.teresaschooloffice/signup>. Your invitation code is **WL9Q5**. All newsletters, calendars, menus, attachments and volunteer forms can be found here!

PROTECT OUR CHILDREN: Please complete the Safe Environment Training course prior to volunteering for this year. You don't have to complete it in one sitting, but you should finish a video segment before stopping for it to track your progress. Once you've completed the program, please email Wendy your certificate (Wendy-GuzmandeCruz@cdolinc.net). Instructions were attached to the Sept. 12th newsletter: SE Training Instructions-CMG, or on the PSL office page.

THRIFT SHOP CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE: Will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 6044 S. St., Fri.-Sat., **Oct. 26-27 9 a.m.-5 p.m.** Lunch and Bake Sale sponsored by Sacred Heart Church and School Family Association.

RECYCLED PAPER NEEDED: St. Teresa School is in need of 8 ½" X 11" recycled paper to make one-sided worksheet copies. Please drop off donations of recycled paper during school hours.

FORMED.ORG: Inspirational videos, audios, books for you and your family. Our parish code is **J4V3RY**.

SAC AEROSPACE MUSEUM FESTIVAL: On **Sat., Nov. 17, 2018**, from **9 a.m.-5 p.m.**, a Makers Market will be held at the SAC Aerospace Museum. This is a family-friendly festival with creative crafts for sale by vintage vendors, crafters, and artisans. There will be craft demonstrations you can participate in, and fun entertainment with Dancing Man Music workshops and performances, caricature drawings, writing tips by Sci-Fi author Matt Hebert, and much more! The event is included with general admission. Visit SACMuseum.org for more information.

REMIND.COM: Thanks for signing up! **Remind** is a free, safe, and easy program to reach you with important information. You can choose to receive notifications by text, email, or the app. Please click on the link to sign up. (For reference, our class code is @teresa1930.) <https://www.remind.com/join/teresa1930>. You may also text @teresa1930 to the number 81010.