# 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



April 3, 2019

Dear St. Teresa School Family,

Changing of the Guard: April 23<sup>rd</sup> will be a unique day in the life of our Sisters. For the past 25 years, Mother Joan Paul has been our Superior General.



Mother professed perpetual vows in 1984 (pictured here with Bishop Flavin) and was initially appointed as Mother General by Bishop Flavin, our founder, in 1994. We were founded in 1976, and for the first 19 years were under the leadership of Bishop Flavin who delegated much of the daily governance to the IHM (Sisters Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary) Sisters from Immaculata, PA. In 1994 the last of the IHM Sisters who helped us get started, returned to Pennsylvania, and Mother Joan Paul was appointed. We then elected Mother in our first Chapter of Elections in 2001, we re-elected her in 2007 and did the same in 2013. After 25 years of service to our community as Superior General, she will be handing off the reins on April 23, when we have our Chapter of Elections and choose a new Mother General from among our Sisters.

Many have been asking about the elections and I want to reassure you that there will be no major changes in our Community because we are of one mind and heart. We CKs have a strong founding charism and are striving to be faithful daughters of the Church, so you don't need to wonder about crazy changes after the elections.

However, we ask that you pray for us as we discern who will be our next Mother General and who will serve on our Council. The Holy Spirit is in charge, and we are working at listening.

Let us thank Mother Joan Paul for her many years of faithful service! Please consider sending her a note.

Mother Joan Paul Villa Regina Motherhouse 4100 SW 56<sup>th</sup> Street Lincoln, NE 68522

God bless us all and thank you for adding a prayer for us when you think of it.

In the Heart of the King, Sister Anne Joelle, C.K.



**Pope Francis' Intention for April**: For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

**THINGS BEING SENT HOME:** Grades 5 & 8 Field Trip Form; Grade 8 Graduation Calendar & Fees; Summer Mathcounts Flyer; Pius X Performing Arts Camp Flyer; Grade 2 Global Living Rosary Form; Library Notices

<u>ATTACHMENTS</u>: April SCIP Newsletter; May 5 Eucharistic Procession & Rosary Flyer; Summer Mathcounts Registration Form; STAGE Mime Theater Camp Flyer

**PRAY FOR SEMINARIAN:** Christian Schwenka, Mt. St. Mary Seminary, Theology 1, Holy Family, Heartwell

# **DATES for:** April

- 3 Leadership Board meeting, 4:00 p.m.
- 4 First Holy Communion Retreat Day Grade 6 Service Project
- 5 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for Flood Relief/Adoration Grade 4 Field Trip Grades 4, 5, & 6 Confessions Stations of the Cross, 2:45 p.m.
- 6 First Holy Communion, 10 a.m.
- 8 Sandhills Readers
- 10 Buddy Lunch
- 11 Grade 1 Field Trip
- 12 **No School** Goal Setting & Faculty meeting
- 12-13 Paving the Little Way Strategic Planning Retreat
- 17 Living Stations, 2:30 Midterm grades available on Power School Grade 8 Field Trip
- 18-23 **No School** Easter Break
- 24 School Resumes Grade 2 Field Trip
- 25 Grade 7 Service Project
- 26 Grade 5 Field Trip Grade 8 Retreat Grades 3 & 7 Confessions
- 30 Spring Band Rehearsal, Pius X High School, 7-8:30 p.m.

## **DATES for:** May

Leadership Board Meeting, 4:00 p.m. Spring Band Concert, Pius X High School, 7:00 p.m.

#### ST. TERESA SCHOOL IS NOW HIRING

- AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM DIRECTOR: To organize and facilitate the opening of a new program. Must have a degree in education or child/youth development OR have 6 credit hours in the area of education OR have 3000 clock hours of verifiable experience in organized group activities for school-age children. Please contact Sr. Mary Faustina if you have questions or are interested (402-477-3358). It would be about 15 hours per week with the program running from 3:15-5:30 p.m. each school day and from 12:30-5:30 on early dismissal days.
- **PARA:** We are hiring a para to work 30 hrs/wk next year. Please contact Sr. Anne Joelle if interested in this position and send a resume and references.

#### **UPDATES FOR NEXT YEAR (with Sacred Heart and St. Mary consolidating):**

- 2 classes of Kindergarten, 1st grade, 4th grade, and 8th grade (and possibly 6th or 7th grade)
- Hiring one new 4th grade teacher
- Hiring a new para professional
- Hired a new P.E. teacher and will announce name after Easter
- Welcome to Miss Katherine Hums teaching Jr. High Social Studies next year!
- Beginning a breakfast program (7:15-7:40 a.m. will keep the Communion fast)
- Beginning an after school program (3:15-5:30 p.m.)

<u>TUITION PAYMENTS</u> can be taken online now. Go to our parish website <u>www.thelittleflower-lincoln.com</u> and click on the Online Giving link. Setup an account with username & password. Many families already give online to our parish & will NOT need to set up another account. Choose the "tuition" fund. Select the correct year: Tuition 2019-2020 School Year or Tuition 2018-2019 School Year if you wish to use this to pay for the remainder of this year.

**2019-20 CALENDAR:** Aug. 16 – First day of school; Preschool Open House; Oct. 31 & Nov. 1st – No school; Nov. 27-29 – Thanksgiving break; Dec. 20 (noon)-Jan. 3 - Christmas break; April 9-14 - Easter break; May 20 - Last day

<u>SUMMER MATHCOUNTS</u> will be offered weekly at Pius for kids entering 6th-9th grade next year. This is the 4<sup>th</sup> year Pius will offer the program and it will be taught by three Pius math teachers: Danielle Karre, Matt Wallish, and Erin Andrus. Mathcounts is a FANTASTIC extra-curricular program! See attached registration.

**S.T.A.G.E. ONE DAY THEATRE CAMP** for kids, *Do You Mime?* April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. in St. Teresa's Kaczmarek Hall. Tuition is \$48 for kids 8-14 years. Learn the basics of mime, complete with make-up and costume! A fun and creative way to learn another element of theater. Registration forms available at stage4kids.com. Space is limited so sign up today! **Registrations due no later than April 20**<sup>th</sup>.

Looking ahead to our **Summer Musical Production**? Auditions for *Backstage* will be held **April 25-28**. Visit **stage4kids.com** to learn more about this original musical and audition format.

<u>WEATHER FEST</u>: Sat., April 6, Free event & free parking, Exhibits & activities 9:00-2:00, Severe Weather Symposium 12:30-4:00 p.m. at Nebraska Innovation Campus, N. 21st St. and Salt Creek roadway.

**BIKE HELMET FITTING CLINIC:** May 15, 16, and 17 (Wed.-Fri.), 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at AAA Lincoln, 2900 O St. Attend with your child and receive: a free child's bicycle helmet while supplies last (ages 5-12), helmet fitting, and bicycle safety tips. Open to the public. Call 402-441-4500 for additional information.

What is the Missionary Childhood Association (MCA)? Children helping children

(Ordinarily, First Friday collections go to MCA) The Missionary Childhood Association was founded by Bishop Charles Forbin-Janson, in 1843. Pauline Jaricot suggested he ask children to help children around the world. Today more than 174 years have passed and MCA continues to depend solely on the prayers and donations of school age children to provide for the poor children in the mission countries. Through knowledge and motivation our young people respond generously and bring the gift of hope to their peers in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands and Latin America, by helping them to know Christ and experience His love and care.

How does the money I contribute to the Missionary Childhood Association help the poor children in the mission countries? The money is sent to missionaries to spread the Good News of Jesus and His love for the poor children in the mission countries. It is used to build schools, hospitals and orphanages, to develop water projects and to provide medical care, food, and clothing. The information above is taken from the website <a href="https://propagationarchny.org/holy-childhood">https://propagationarchny.org/holy-childhood</a>

## **WAYS TO SERVE**

**SCRIP NEWS:** SHOPKO Scrip is available to purchase. Please consider helping us deplete our inventory before the Lincoln stores close. Shopko Scrip can be used at the optical departments. There are \$100 cards and \$25 cards. Grab yours and go shop the "Going Out Of Business Sales".



**BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION:** General Mills offers **10 cents** for each box top from any of the 330 participating General Mills products. Send them to the school office. You wouldn't throw away a dime, would you? What a great way to make money for our School Family!

ST. TERESA PARISH WORKDAY: Sat., April 13th 9:00 a.m. - Noon. MULCH PARTY! Please bring gloves, good attitude and family to help make our Church and School grounds look fantastic for Easter Celebrations.

<u>CK SISTERS OUTDOOR SPRING WORKDAY</u> – Sat., May 4, 1:30-4:30 p.m. Helpful items to bring include gloves, pruning shears, clippers, wheelbarrows, shovels, rakes, pickups, chain saws. Contact Sister Mary Angela at <u>sr.mary-angela@cdolinc.net</u> if you would like help. Villa Regina Motherhouse, 4100 SW 56<sup>th</sup> St.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS / REMINDERS**

**PRESCHOOL:** St. Teresa School is accepting registrations for its Preschool program, which introduces 4 and 5 year olds to the Catholic School atmosphere--operating within the framework of stimulating the child's spiritual, intellectual, physical, social and psychological growth and development. Students must be 4 years old by July 31. Fees: \$25.00 registration fee; MWF 8:00-11:00 = \$110/Month (\$990/year) or T/Wed/Thu 12:15-3:15 = \$110/Month (\$990/year) or T/Th 8:00-11:30 = \$100/Month (\$900/year). Please call the school office (402-477-3358) for registration papers.

<u>LINCOLN MOTHERS ON A MISSION (MOMs)</u> will be meeting **Saturday**, **April 6**, @ 8:30 am at Gianna's Java & Gelato, in The Guadalupe Center located at 2241 O Street. Contact us at <a href="mailto:lincolnmoms@outlook.com">lincolnmoms@outlook.com</a> or <a href="https://www.facebook.com/lincolnmothersonamission">www.facebook.com/lincolnmothersonamission</a>.

**EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION:** April 16, 2 p.m. around Planned Parenthood.

ECUMENICAL PRAYER VIGIL: Good Friday, April 19th at Planned Parenthood

**SERVICE HOURS** for the 2018-2019 school year are due on **April 30**, 2019. 1st-4th grades turn into the office. Grades 6-8 can be submitted to their homeroom.

<u>6th GRADERS</u>: All 6th grade students are required to have a physical exam, DPT booster, two doses of the Varicella vaccine, and immunizations record by a qualified physician <u>within six months prior to the entrance into 7th grade</u>.

<u>CAMPARCHANGEL</u>: Registration is open for a Summer Enrichment Program at St. Michael's School, AM & PM sessions with Early Care and Lunch supervision available. Three of our St. Teresa School teachers will be participating as instructors. Register online through May 15. Click on <u>Archangel</u> for camp details and registration information.

<u>PIUS X SOCCER CAMPS</u>: Please see the attachment or go to <u>Summer Camps page of the Pius X Boys Soccer Website</u> They fill quickly so sign up now to save a spot!

BRIGHT LIGHTS SUMMER CAMPS: Registration is open. At that time, a registration button will appear at BrightLights.org. During the registration process you will be asked if you want to apply for a scholarship. Class schedule can be found at: <a href="https://www.brightlights.org/programs/">https://www.brightlights.org/programs/</a> More information about scholarships can be found at: <a href="https://www.brightlights.org/programs/resources/scholarships.html">https://www.brightlights.org/programs/resources/scholarships.html</a>