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*Virtue of the Week – Forgiveness*

*January 20, 2010 - Wednesday Bulletin*



**Principal's News**

Congratulations to Joe McGarry, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade, for winning the National Geographic Geography Bee.

Class pictures are scheduled tomorrow, Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Children are to **wear their school uniform.** Please send back your order forms sent home last week.

Mark your calendar for **Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**. We will be having our **Family Open House** for parents of children who currently attend our school. This is a day you don't want to miss. The day will be full of activity, including 8:00-8:30 a.m. parent coffee in the church hall, 8:30-10:00 a.m., classroom observation, a Catholic Schools Week/Honors Mass at 10:15 a.m., followed by a special lunch with your child. The children look forward to showing you everything they do each day. Enclosed is additional information and details regarding Catholic school week.

We will be having an **Open House and Registration** for prospective parents on Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> from 9:30-11:00 a.m. Our Kindergarten class is full for next year but spaces are available for Pre K. Please encourage your friends and neighbors to come and apply that day.

*St. Bartholomew School* has many after school activities and aftercare children are also at play in the courtyard area. Please **drive very slowly** when you are entering and exiting the school grounds. Please teach your children to look both ways when getting in and out of the car. Please **do not talk on your cell phones** when dropping off and picking up your children in the carpool line. Please also inform your caregivers/babysitters, etc. this rule also. There is **NO PARKING IN THE COURTYARD** from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. We need everyone's attention on the children.

We are accepting financial donations to assist with recovery efforts for the earthquake victims in **Haiti**. People may send in their donations to the school office. Checks are payable to: St. Bartholomew Church. In Memo section write in: Haiti victims.

Please remember that all parents must **sign-in** the school office when serving lunch or attending meetings. You may **not** enter through the church and go downstairs. We must know who is in the building at all times. The safety of our children always comes first.

*Kathleen Miller, Principal*

 **Important Accounting Information**

Report cards will be coming home **next Wednesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>**. All tuition, childcare, or any other **outstanding** invoices & school bills must be paid and up-to-date in order for your children to receive his/her report card. Please call the school office if you have any questions.



**The 2010 Snowflake Ball (Father/Daughter Dance)**

Fathers and daughters, it's that time of year again! The eighth annual Snowflake Ball is Saturday, February 6th from 7:30 to 10:00. Your family's formal invitation is enclosed in today's envelope. As in years past, we are asking each attending family to bring either an appetizer or a dessert for the event. Families with last names beginning with **A through L should bring an appetizer** and families with last names beginning with **M through Z should bring a dessert**. Items can be delivered to the church hall cafeteria between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. on the night of the dance.

Volunteers are still needed for decorating, set-up, clean-up and on-site support during the dance so please fill out and return the volunteer flyer that was sent home last week, or contact either Liz Manning at [lizwmanning@aol.com](mailto:lizwmanning@aol.com) or 301-365-2765 or Elizabeth Crone at [dc5777@verizon.net](mailto:dc5777@verizon.net) or 301-564-5777 with the time(s) that you are able to help.

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**BINGO NIGHT!**

Please see the enclosed flyer for our BINGO night on Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. in the church hall. iPod Nano Raffle! Great prizes for kids of all ages! Cost is \$10.00 which includes 10 Bingo games, a slice of pizza and a drink!



**Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual St. Bart's Ice Skating Party!**

St. Bartholomew School has made special arrangements to reserve *The Cabin John Ice Rink* on **Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>** from 6:30pm - 8:00pm for a private skate and a private party in the back room afterwards! More information will be coming home soon!

## Catholic School's Week - Family School Open House/Lunch



Please join us on Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> for *St. Bart's Open House and Family Lunch Day*. You may purchase a *Chicken Caesar or Vege Wrap Boxed Lunch*. A special order form is enclosed in today's envelope. This is a very special day for the children, and we hope you'll be here.

**Lunch Problems:** Many students are **not coming to school with lunches or morning snacks**. If your child is **not signed up** for hot lunch, we can **no longer** provide a lunch for them. We only have enough lunches for those children who have signed up. If you need additional lunch order forms, they are available in the school office.

### Hot Lunch Schedule



**Thursday, 01/21**

*Parent Volunteers:*

**Cold cut sandwich, fruit, and chips**

*Elizabeth Gimblett, Fatina Mukhar, & Nancy Travis*

**Friday, 01/22**

*Parent Volunteers:*

**Pasta with sauce, salad, and bread**

*Gena Conte, Joni Fontana & Mimi McLearn*

**Monday, 01/25**

*Parent Volunteers:*

**Pizza, salad, & dessert**

*Mary O'Donovan & Katie Soto*

**Tuesday, 01/26**

*Parent Volunteers:*

**Chicken Caesar Salad**

*Ladon Abbariki, Cecilia Castiello, & Anne Park*

**Wednesday, 01/27**

*Parent Volunteers:*

**Grilled cheese, fruit, and chips**

*Allison Cox, Carol Omelchenko, & Katie Soto*

**Thursday, 01/28**

*Parent Volunteers:*

**Beef tacos with all the fixings**

*Courtney Bromley, Elisa DeAngelis, & Beth Fagan*

**Friday, 01/29**

*Laura Gallagher, Maria Orozco, & Julie Pflieger*

**Pasta with sauce, salad, and bread**

*Parent Volunteers:*

## **Important 8<sup>th</sup> Grade News**

The Confirmation Rite of Blessing scheduled for Sunday Feb 7<sup>th</sup> at the 10:00 Mass *has been changed* to Sunday, **Feb 21<sup>st</sup> at the 10:00 Mass**, because of the Archbishop's Appeal.

The parent meeting to be held Sunday Feb 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 in the Hall *has also been moved* to Sunday, **Feb 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00** in the Hall for the same reason. If you have any questions, please call the CCD office at 301-229-3431. Thank you in advance for your attention to this.

## **Announcements**

- **Class and club pictures** are this Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup>. Students wear their school uniform.
- Remember to listen to your radio for school cancellations, late openings, etc. We follow the MCPS system. No before/Aftercare when there is a change in weather.
- Friday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> Full day of school.