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Virtue of the Week – Caring November 4, 2009 Wednesday Bulletin



Principal's News

This Saturday is our *Fall Festival and Book Fair* in the church hall from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There are lots of crafts and fun things for your kids to do. See your personal enclosed flyer for more information. We hope to see everyone there.

All Parent Volunteers and Coaches: *St. Elizabeth School*, in Rockville, MD is offering a VIRTUS training course on Tuesday, November 10th, at 7:00 p.m. Remember: in order to volunteer or coach, you must be VIRTUS trained and fingerprinted.

All students in any extra curricular activities who **are not picked up at the proper ending time** will be sent to Aftercare. This includes after school band, basketball, Mad Science, etc. All children also must be signed out of Aftercare. They cannot walk to the gym by themselves.

To 8th grade parents: 8th graders who wish to take a practice high school placement test (HSPT) should stay afterschool this Friday. Please bring a lunch and drink. Please pick your child up in the 4th grade classroom at 3:30 p.m. or they will go into aftercare.

Please remember to gather your list of student extracurricular activities and your parent volunteer positions. Please send them to me at Kathleen@stbartholomew.org

Report Cards for grades 1st – 8th will be sent home on Wednesday, November 11th. The kindergarten and pre-kindergarten children will bring home progress reports at the end of January. If overdue paperwork such as birth and baptismal certificates, tuition, etc. is still missing from the school office, your child's report cards will be held until your file is up to date.

Individual Picture Day is **Thursday, November 12th**. Children are permitted to **dress up** on this day for their pictures. Children should wear nice church clothes. Boys-khaki pants and shirts with collars, Girls-skirts, dresses or dress pants. **NO JEANS-NO SHORTS-NO T-SHIRTS.** **Order forms were sent home last week.** Please send them in.

Conference Day is **Friday, November 13th**. (No school for students.) Your times were sent home last week to meet with your teacher. This is a very special day for the **teachers and parents**. It is important that the school atmosphere be calm and quiet. Childcare services will be in the school library while you are attending conferences. Your children will be supervised by a rotation of "special" teachers and aides for a small fee (\$3.00 for a half hour and \$ 6.00 for an hour per child.) Any children who are left unsupervised in the building or on school grounds will be sent to the library where you will be charged for babysitting. There is also *HOOPED Basketball* for those who need full day supervision.

This Sunday at the 10:00 a.m. mass Bishop Holley will be honoring all souls of departed family members and parishioners. All are welcome to attend.

2010-2011 Tuition Assistance Applications Now Available: Applications for families interested in receiving tuition assistance from the *Archdiocese of Washington* for the 2010-2011 school year are now available online at www.CatholicSchoolsWork.org . **All current families who are receiving any type of financial assistance must fill out this form each year in order to continue to receive aid.** The deadline to apply for this tuition assistance is December 4, 2009. *Kathleen Miller,*
Principal

Home & School News



St. Bart's Book Fair and Fall Festival is this Saturday, November 7th, 10:00 – 1:00 p.m. Check for your personalized flyer in today's envelope for more details!

There will be plenty for the children to enjoy: Games, moon bounce, craft tables, and story time. Borders books, Childs play toys, wreaths and poinsettias, Vera Bradley and Web Kins, Bay Soap of Maryland, personalized stationery, jewelry, and much more. Crafts and moon bounce too!

Date Change: Our next *Home & School Association* meeting will be Wednesday, November 18th, at 8:15 a.m. All are invited to attend.



Sally Foster Results are In!

Thank you all our students and parents for participating in our *Sally Foster* fundraiser! We made approximately \$5,000.00 for our school.

Congratulations to our 5th grader *D'Andre Barrington* for selling over \$570.00! He will receive a *Wii or Xbox Guitar Hero Game* of his choice. Our second place winner goes to our Pre K twins *Madison and Matthew Denchfield*. They sold \$490.00! A class party for is their prize request!



Attention Altar Servers

There has been a change. *St. Bart's Altar Server Installation Mass* will be on Sunday, November 15th at 10:00 a.m. as originally planned at St. Bart's.

Please dress appropriately. When your name is called, please come up to receive your certificate.

The *Altar Server Appreciation Mass* at the Shrine is on Sunday, November 22nd, at 2:00 p.m. Please call Mr. Richard Elliott at 202-686-0263 or Magda Pettey at 301-765-0554 if you plan to attend. It would be great to get a good St. Bart's representation as we have in the past years.



Dear Parents of Pre K - K, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Grades - Believe it or not, registration for spring baseball is already happening. *Bethesda Chevy Chase Baseball* does very early registrations and they will be due to *BCC* November 16th, 2009. If your child is interested in playing baseball in the spring, please let us know so that the coach of each team can start to make arrangements for submitting a team.



Pre-K - at this point, we are looking for a parent to step up and coach - until that happens, please call me (Doug McLearn) at 301-467-4111 - dmclearn@lpc.com.

- 1st Grade - Paul Chesen - 571-730-9201/paul.chesen@sap.com.
- 2nd Grade/3rd Grade - Phil Sahady - 240-353-4773/psahady@chevoconsulting.com.
- 4th Grade/5th Grade - John Manning - 301-365-2765/john.s.manning@lmco.com

Grades 6-8 - We have not had many teams at these grade levels in the past. If your child has interest in playing, please call me and I can help direct you towards a program here in the community.

BCC registration forms can also be found at www.bccbaseball.com.

Thanks for your time, and I look forward to speaking with you soon.



Attention St. Bart's Cheerleaders!

The girls have been hard at work with lots of spirit! They will continue to practice each Wed & Thurs morning from 7:15-7:45. We have just ordered the poms which should be in by Thanksgiving. Enclosed, please find a flyer with important information on it.

This Sunday, from 12-2:00 p.m., in the 8th grade classroom, will be an extended practice and uniform measurement will be held. We need each parent to help your child place a uniform order for her daughter and size her correctly.

Thank you for all of your support. Please respond with any concerns at 301-229-5586, ext 28.

Dannette Lartigue Menaker

Hot Lunch Schedule



Thursday, 11/05 <i>Parent Volunteers</i>	Beef tacos with all the fixings <i>Elizabeth Gimblett, Leah Morabito, & Fatina Mukhar</i>
Friday, 11/06	12:30 p.m. dismissal – No lunch
Monday, 11/09 <i>Parent Volunteers</i>	Pizza, salad & dessert <i>Cindy Flores & Nancy Travis</i>
Tuesday, 11/10 <i>Parent Volunteers</i>	Chicken nuggets, fruit, and chips <i>Louise Canavan, Denise Nelson, & Susann Valenza</i>
Wednesday, 11/11 <i>Parent Volunteers</i>	Macaroni & Cheese, fruit & salad <i>Nneka Achufusi, Maria Orozco, & Michelle Place</i>
Thursday, 11/12 <i>Parent Volunteers</i>	Cold Cut sandwich, chips, and fruit <i>Courtney Bromley, Anne Park, & Nancy Travis</i>
Friday, 11/13	NO SCHOOL – P/T CONFERENCE

On Wednesday, 11/18, a free *Thanksgiving Feast* for all our children will be served. If your child does not like turkey and mashed potatoes, please send in a lunch.



The *St. Bartholomew's Children's Choir* is currently seeking new members. All parish children in Grades 1 through 8 are welcome to join. Rehearsals are every Sunday after the 10 o'clock Mass up in the Choir Room. The Children's Choir sings at Children's Liturgies such as First Reconciliation, First Communion, and our very special Christmas Eve Children's Liturgy. The choir will also sing at several 10 o'clock Sunday Masses throughout the year. Singing in the Children's Choir is a great way for parish children to actively participate in our Church community! For more info, please contact Daniel Villar at (301) 509-0352, or by email: danielvillar@danielvillar.com

Announcements & Dates

- All October Childcare bills are enclosed. Please pay as soon as possible.
- A *Cannon* camera lens cover was found on the black top during our Halloween parade. Please call the school office at 301-229-5586 if you are missing yours.
- Friday, November 6th 12:30 p.m. Dismissal, No Lunch



ST. BART'S BOOK FAIR AND FALL FESTIVAL!
Saturday, November 7th – 10 am – 1:00 p.m.



SCRAPBOOKING NIGHT @ ST. BART'S!!!!
Saturday, November 7th - 7pm-10pm in St. Bart's church hall. See the enclosed yellow flyer for more details! All are invited!

***Giant & Safeway* need your customer numbers.**

We only have 25 families signed up so far!

Go to their website and sign in. Each \$ helps our school!