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Virtue of the Week – Peacefulness

October 28th - Wednesday Bulletin



Principal's News

Please join us on Friday, October 30th at 1:15 p.m. for our Halloween parade. Children are to wear their school uniforms to school in the morning. Students are to bring their costumes to school in a bag marked with their name. The children may not bring any plastic weapons to school. All costumes must be appropriate. The children will change into their costumes after D.E.A.R. time. Parents should report directly to the back parking lot to take pictures and watch the parade. We will have extra faculty members to help the children change into their costumes so **no parents are needed**. If you are dropping off treats for the party, you may bring them in the morning carpool line and our patrols will bring them to the classrooms.

All 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 you must be VIRTUS trained and fingerprinted.

8th grade parents, please start gathering your list of student extracurricular activities and your parent volunteer positions. Please send them to me at Kathleen@stbartholomew.org
Next Wednesday, we will be having a special mass at 2:00 p.m. where 8th graders may dress up like the saints they have chosen for Confirmation. All are welcome to attend.

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, 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. Please see enclosed order forms.

Conference Day is **Friday, November 13th**. (No school for students.) Enclosed is your time 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.

Parents of prospective pre-k and kindergarten students please send in your form to hold a space for your child in next year's pre-k or kindergarten class. Our kindergarten class is almost full and our pre-k class is also filling quickly.

Don't forget the first meeting of the *St. Bart's Mom's Book Club* is this Monday, November 2nd at 7:00 p.m. Start reading Blessings of a Skinned Knee by Wendy Mogel. We will meet in the music room upstairs in the administrative office building. Hope to see you there.

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 now are available online at www.CatholicSchoolsWork.org . The deadline to apply for this tuition assistance is December 4, 2009.

Kathleen Miller, Principal



Extension! Sally Foster Orders

It's not too Late! Please send them in.

We don't have any classes with 100% yet! Winners will be notified once all packets are in!

Or Go Online at: www.sallyfoster.org

Type in St. Bart's Code: 505068



Home & School News



See flyer for our Fall Festival & Book Fair on Saturday, November 7th, from 10 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Fun Activities and Crafts for All!

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!



Dear Parents of Pre-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.

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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](tel:571-730-9201)/paul.chesen@sap.com.

• 2nd Grade/3rd Grade - Phil Sahady – [240-353-4773](tel: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 you child has interest in playing, please call me and I can help direct you towards a program here in the community.

BCC registration forms which can also be found at www.bccbbaseball.com.
Thanks for your time and I look forward to speaking with you soon.



Hot Lunch Schedule

Thursday, 10/29 <i>Parent Volunteers</i>	Cold Cut sandwich, chips, and fruit <i>Nancy Palermo, Judy Roberts, & Nick Triandafilou</i>
Friday, 10/30 <i>Parent Volunteers</i>	Pasta, salad, and roll <i>Beth Fagan, Susan Freese, & Joni Fontana</i>
Monday, 11/02 <i>Parent Volunteers</i>	Pizza, salad & dessert <i>Laurie Redmond & Katie Soto</i>
Tuesday, 11/03 <i>Parent Volunteers</i>	Chicken Caesar Salad & roll <i>Cindy Flores, Tracy McCann, & Tanya Thomas</i>
Wednesday, 11/04 <i>Parent Volunteers</i>	Grilled cheese, fruit & salad <i>Cecilia Castiello, Katie Loughran, & Carol Omelchenko</i>
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



Our Student Council is sponsoring St. Bart's 1st bake sale of the year on **Tomorrow - Thursday, October 29th at lunch.**

All items (excluding donuts) are .50 cents. Proceeds are to benefit the Student Council and Sr. Nena's Mission Funds. All are welcome to donate goodies!



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

- *St. Bart's Mom's Book Club's* first meeting is November 2nd at 7:00 p.m. Start reading Blessings of a Skinned Knee by Wendy Mogel.
- Parent/Teacher Conference day is on Friday, November 14th. Please fill out the time form so the office may begin to make a schedule.
- November calendar enclosed.
- Parent/Teacher Conference Times enclosed
- Individual Picture Order Forms enclosed.
- Friday, November 6th 12:30 p.m. Dismissal, No Lunch

It's not too late to Send In Sally Foster Orders! Please Do!



**REMINDER!!!! SCRAPBOOKING NIGHT @ ST. BART'S!!!!
Saturday --- November 7, 2009 from 7pm-11pm**