

**St. Bartholomew School**  
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*Virtue of the Week – Flexibility*

*September 16th – Wednesday Bulletin*



**Principal's News**

We are looking forward to seeing everyone **TONIGHT at Back to School Night**. Here is a schedule of the evening. Remember this is an evening for **ADULTS ONLY**. The Student Council Officers will be here to show everyone around. Please arrive early as you don't want to miss our slide show.

Here is the agenda for the evening:

- **6:00 p.m.** Social & Sign In
- **6:30-6:55 p.m.** Opening Remarks, Slide presentation and School directories distribution.
- **7:00-8:00 p.m. Session I** – Parents of Pre-K-4 [who do not have siblings in 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>] meet in homerooms. All parents of 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders will stay in the church hall.
- **8:00-9:00 p.m. Session II**- Parents of K-4 meet in homeroom. 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade teachers will be present in church hall for individual questions.

\*Special teachers will be rotating through the session so that you will have the opportunity to see them.

As you know every year, we choose a "Volunteer of the Year" to be honored at the *Catholic Business Network Banquet*. We are very pleased to honor **Al and Judy Arcidiacono** as our volunteers of the year. Both Judy and Al have been extremely active in our school for the past 10 years. They have been room parents, pizza lunch coordinators, gala chairs, Bingo night coordinators, DJ's, and much, much more! We thank them for all they have given to St. Bart's.

We will honor Al and Judy Arcidiacono on November 20<sup>th</sup> at the *Catholic Business Network Banquet*. **Please let the school office know if you would like your business to sponsor our table at the *Catholic Business Network Banquet*.**

**Reminders for 8<sup>th</sup> grade Parents:** 8<sup>th</sup> graders may use two days to visit high schools. Please schedule these days as soon as possible. These dates fill up very quickly. Please plan to come to the High School Admissions meeting on **Tuesday, October 5<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 p.m. in the Music room-upstairs in the Administration building.

This Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> is the *St. Bart's Weekend*. Sign up sheets are enclosed in today's envelope. Please fill out and return as soon as possible. This event is a great way to meet new friends and families.

Enclosed you will find a letter for basic tips for parents regarding the *H1N1 Swine Flu* and *Seasonal Flu*, and also the ABC's of Hand washing.

*Kathleen Miller, Principal*



## Home & School News

Tonight is Back to School Night! It will be a very important and informative meeting. Please remember to bring your **H.S.A dues of \$50 per family**. (If you have already paid-thank you.) Please bring your checkbook to purchase mums, sports bags, and Sally Foster!

*Jennifer Bautista, HSA President*



**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!!** Get ready for fall without leaving your house! Order your large (12"-18") premium quality Mums at a DISCOUNT! Available to you for **\$7.00 each** at St. Bartholomew School! Order with the enclosed form and drop off your check, made payable to "St. Bartholomew School", at the St. Bartholomew School office, or through your child's Wednesday envelope.

## Attention 5-8<sup>th</sup> Graders



For all 5-8th graders interested in becoming Altar Servers, there will be training for new servers begins in October. Candidates must complete either 4 consecutive Mondays or Tuesdays of training. Please see enclosed flyer for more details. Contact Magda Pettey if you have any questions, (301) 765-0554.

## Ident-A-Kid Program

This Thursday, Ident-A-Kid Program will be here to take your child's picture and fingerprint. Parents will be given ID cards with all the information about your child on it. This program is designed to help parents find missing children. The class who has the most wins a pizza lunch. Please send in your forms that were sent home last week by tomorrow morning.



## Health Room Update

In an effort to minimize the exposure of our St. Bartholomew School population to the flu, we are asking you to follow the recommendations of the CDC in determining when to keep your child home from school. Please do not send your child to school if they have a fever. According to the CDC:

*Please keep your student at home for at least 24 hours after there is NO longer a fever or signs of a fever without the use of fever reducing medicines (all acetaminophen and ibuprofen products). Keeping sick students at home means that they keep their viruses to themselves rather than sharing them with others.*

We are attempting to track the student population who exhibits flu like symptoms. We need your help! When you call the school office at 301-229-5586 to report your child's absence, please be specific. Please let us know if you think your child has the flu or if it has been confirmed by your physician. **Again, please do NOT send a sick student to school.**

We hope to work together to minimize the exposure of our community to the flu. Teachers understand the situation and will give students ample opportunity to make up missed work due to illness.

## **Hot Lunch Schedule**



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| Thursday, 09/17<br><i>Parent Volunteers</i>  | Cold Cut Sandwich, cheese curls & fruit<br><i>Courtney Bromley, Allison Cox, &amp; Nancy Travis</i> |
| Friday, 09/18<br><i>Parent Volunteers</i>    | Mama Lucia Pasta, garlic bread, & salad<br><i>Mary Beatson, Gena Conte, &amp; Julie Pflieger</i>    |
| Monday, 09/21<br><i>Parent Volunteers</i>    | Mama Lucia's Pizza, salad & dessert<br><i>Cindy Flores &amp; Mercedes Sundeen</i>                   |
| Tuesday, 09/22<br><i>Parent Volunteers</i>   | Chicken Caesar Salad & roll<br><i>Mimi McLearn, Leah Morabito, &amp; Denise Nelson</i>              |
| Wednesday, 09/23<br><i>Parent Volunteers</i> | Grilled Cheese, fruit & chips<br><i>Nneka Achufusi, Cecilia Castiello, &amp; Alisia Chesen</i>      |

## **Important Messages About After School Extracurricular Activities:**

- All children go to carpool line first before his/her activity. Coaches will pick the children up there and take roll. The coaches will assist with changing of clothes.
- Send a bottle water with your child.
- After the program is over, no children are to play on playground, woods, blacktop, etc.

## **Announcements & Dates**

- There are extra forms such as lunch, milk, dance, etc. in the school office if you need one. Please stop by or call the office to get one.
- Our condolences to Mrs. Barbara Brown, our resource teacher, for her father passed away. Grandfather to Maddie & Bridget Brown and Rachel Crone.
- There is still room for Wednesday's *Excel Fitness Program* for the PreK – 2<sup>nd</sup> graders. Please see enclosed flyer.

- **Giant and Safeway** Education Flyer Enclosed. Please sign up.
- Please save your **Box Tops for Education**. Each coupon is worth .10 cents for us!
- This is the time of year for **LICE**. If your child complains of his/head itching, please check for lice. There is also a “*Advice on Lice*” specialists were you can get advise. The phone number is 240-2542-4267. Also, remind your children with long hair to put their hair up in a pony tail and not to share hair accessories.

Remember to Sell Sally Foster, Send in your Golf Tournament registration forms, and Mum orders!

See you tonight at Back To School Night – 6:00 p.m.!  
**PARENTS ONLY – NO CHILDREN**



**St. Bartholomew Parish Weekend**  
**This Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>**



Please join us for the annual *St. Bart's Weekend Celebration*, Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> immediately following the 5:00 p.m. Mass. See enclosed flyer for more information.