# Small school. Big heart.



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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The External Visit Team, comprised of four local elementary school principals and a chair from the Toledo Diocese were on our campus on Tuesday and Wednesday.

You may remember that parents completed surveys through the Archdiocese as part of the accreditation process. We also surveyed students in grades 6-8 as well as our teachers, looking for areas of improvement. Our analysis of the strengths and needs in our school community led us to drafting goals and plans.

The team reviewed the reports we wrote over the past two years, and examined the goals and strategies we set for the next four years. The team's purpose was to help us refine our plans, looking at them for clarity of purpose, and making sure we have goals that take us beyond the normal expectations for instruction and planning. The interviews with our teachers helped them compare what we wrote to what we say we will do in our classrooms to meet the goals, and their recommendations were limited to some practical changes in verbiage.

The team was extremely complimentary of the St. Bernadette teachers and very impressed with our report. "You have an excellent school, and a wonderful staff," were comments I received on both days, several times over. Over lunch, one of the principals mentioned how well our teachers worked together and seemed to genuinely respect each other. "You don't see that everywhere, Liz." As they were leaving yesterday they said, "It's clear that the teachers are on board and have great ideas. They know what they are talking about, and are ready to get started." The visiting team is confident that our plan will lead to re-accreditation for the school. The visit was a great success!

We'll incorporate the team's recommendations and submit our final plan next week. After the goals and plans are officially adopted in Columbus, we will publish a condensed version for your perusal.

#### **SAFETY**

It's also time for us to review and renew our safety plan for the State of Ohio. We had a meeting today with a some staff members and emergency personnel for that purpose and will submit the plan to ODE in Columbus next week, as well. Although the plan addresses everything from chemical spills to terrorism to tornadoes, the emergencies that seem to affect schools the most are active shooter situations. There's a lot of related training we'll get from both the Pierce Township Police and Fire Departments. We will plan a drill for the students later this spring. There will be much more on this topic in coming weeks.

### **MUSICAL**

I would really like to resurrect "Honk, Jr." for production this spring! This is the last vestige of COVID "losses" and will take some frequent rehearsing and a small village of helpers to make it happen, but I am convinced it is worth doing! I'm in Ripley, OH next week on Tuesday and Wednesday to serve on their EVT, so the soonest I could get this effort rolling is Wednesday evening with a meeting for interested children and their parents. The meeting will start at 6:30, and finish by 7:30. I know it's short notice for a meeting, but it will be possible to audition for the show and join the production team even if the child misses the meeting next Wednesday evening. Auditions will be Monday and Tuesday, March 13 and 14, with the first rehearsal on Thursday, March 16. I'll send out a flyer with more details ASAP.

## Reminders:

Second and third grade families are asked to provide desserts for tomorrow night's Fish Fry. Scroll down to see the poster for details.

Check out the links for Totus Tuus Registration, **and** for volunteering to assist. We also have links to get volunteer information about the festival, and the Grand Raffle. See the "Church News" info box below.

Have a blessed evening, Mrs. I



Thursday, March 2 - LaRosa

Pizza Challenge Night (see flyer below)

Friday, March 3 - End of 2nd Trimester

Friday, March 3 - Lenten Fish Fry

Saturday, March 4 - Father/Daughter Dance (see flyer below)

Sunday, March 5 - 2nd Sunday of Lent

Thursday, March 9 - Girl Scout Cookie Sale after School (see flyer below)

## What do lemons, hydrogen peroxide, vinegar, baking soda and bleach all have in common?

Answer: They all help whiten polo shirts that have turned gray with laundering. Check this out: How To Whiten Clothes that have Grayed Brighten up your student's shirts for spring!



# <u>NEW VENDOR FOR POLOS,</u>

## <u>SWEATSHIRTS AND FLEECE!</u>

St. Bernadette School is expanding our partnership with All Star Sportwear to include

uniform polos, sweatshirts, and fleece. Click here to see what is on our page so far. All Star Sportswear has been our vendor for class shirts, house shirts, and athletic gear and will be giving us the same great service for uniform items, too. All Star Sportswear is located at 787 Ohio Pike, right across from Thomas More School. Orders can be placed online and picked up at the store. Questions? Call Brian at 753-1400.



Classes go head-to-head to see who can raise the most money and the winning class gets a pizza party!

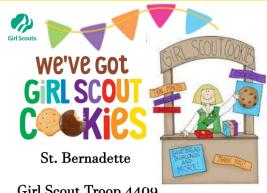
Order Delivery or Carry Out from Amelia LaRosa's on

Thursday, March 2nd 2023.

LaRosa's will donate 15% of the proceeds to the St. Bernadette PTO!

Please mention your Teacher's Name when ordering and present this flyer to a LaRosa's Team Member at pick up or delivery.





Girl Scout Troop 4409

# Cookie Booth

Please support Our Girl Scouts at the St.Bernadette Cookie Booth Sale

Date: March 9, 2023

Time: After school at 3:00 pm Infront of the lunch building





#### 2023 ST. BERNADETTE BOOSTERS FISH FRY

#### VE ARE IN NEED OF DESSERTS TO SELL FOR EACH NIGHT OF THE FISH FRY.

We are asking for support from our St. B family to provide desserts again for the evenings of the Fish Fry. Grade levels have been assigned for specific nights. Please leave desserts with Mrs. Ell in the office or in the cafeteria at 4:30 that evening.

Thank you for al your continued support! All proceeds for the baked goods go to the 8th grade trip!

> Kinder & 1st: February 24, 2023 2nd & 3rd: March 3, 2023 4th & 5th: March 10, 2023 6th & 7th: March 17, 2023 Everyone: March 24, 2023



5:00 PM - 7:30 PM

February 24, 2023 March 3, 2023 March 10, 2023 March 17, 2023 March 24, 2023

Dine-In or Drive-Thru



## 2023 SVTM VIKINGS **FOOTBALL**

"BUILDING TEAMWORK"

"FAITH, FAMILY, FOOTBALL!"

The SVTM Football program represents the parishes of St. Bernadette, St. Thomas More, and St. Veronica and has a team for every grade level from Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade to join other Catholic schools and parishes in the Tri-State area to compete in the Greater

Bandit: The pride of SVTM is at the Bandit level which comprises kids from Kinderg grade in an exciting and educational environment where they can learn to play the game safely. With coaches on the field during play, and rules set-up to promote safety and fair play, it is a great level to

Pony: Football at the Pony level joins 3" and 4" graders on a team that begins playing competitive football for the first time. With enhanced playing time goals over rival programs the Pony level is still an attractive level for first year players. The weight limit in Pony Football is 125 pounds.

Reserve: Football at the Reserve level joins 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders on a competitive team where kids learn more in depth football schemes. The weight limit in Reserve Football is 145 pounds.

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Varityr: Football at the Varityr level joins 7th and 5th grown on a highly competitive legieur. The weight limit in Varityr is 170 pounds for a ball carrier and 180 for a lineman.

Player Safety is of the upmost importance at SVIM. SVIM has a Player Safety Coach that is trained by USA Heads: UP Football in player safety and proper technique. All coaches are frained and certified by USA Heads: UP football in player safety and proper technique. All coaches are frained and ertified by USA Football in Pleads UP football and all players are taught the "fleasts by football Tackling and Blocking" system. We have some of the best equipment around with new shoulder pads and helmets that are all reconditioned regularly. We also have a certified trainer from Mercy Health at all home games to help if needed.

Registration to join the SVTM Football program during the 2023 season is open from March 1st through April 14<sup>th</sup>. Participation Fees are \$1.00 for Bandit and \$153 for Form, Reserve, and Varisty 27<sup>th</sup> you can save \$25 by registering prior to March 17<sup>th</sup> Registration covers all necessary equipment including new helmet, shoulder pads, and game pants . You can register online at: www.gosvtm.com

If you have any questions about SVTM football, please contact SVTM Football at Gosvtm@gmail.com.



ST. BERNADETTE SCHOOL PRESENTS: ASQUERADE WHEN: SATURDAY MARCH 4TH, 2023 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM WHERE: VENTURA HALL (SCHOOL GYM) COST: \$15 PER FAMILY IN ADVANCE/\$20 AT THE DOOR SEND IN MONEY IN AN ENVELOPE WITH FAMILY NAME AND NUMBER ATTENDING.
ADVANCED NOTICE HELPS US TO PLAN THE BEST EVENT FOR YOU! CONTACT ASHLEY WHITE WITH ANY QUESTIONS 513-213-1084

Click here to view or print

Click here for sign-up genius to help with **Father/Daughter Dance** 

#### St. Bernadette Tuition and Fees 2023-2024

K-8 Tuition 2023-2024					
K-8 Number of Children	Non-Participating Tuition (Out of Parish)	Participating Tuition (In-Parish)	Technology Fee	Pay in full by May 31 apply discount	
1	\$5,906	\$4,318	\$135	I D:	
2	\$11,630	\$7,839	\$270	In-Parish \$100	
3	\$17,176	\$10,987	\$405	Out-of-Parish	
4	\$22,574	\$13,421	\$540	\$130	

Early Bird Registration Fee for K-8 Families: \$180 **before** February 15, 2023. Family Registration Fee **after** Wednesday, February 15, 2023: \$240

Preschool Tuition 2023-2024					
	2 DAYS, for 3 yr. olds Tues., Thurs. AM or PM	3 DAYS, for 4 yr. olds Mon., Weds., Fri. AM or PM	5 DAYS, for 4-5 yr. olds Monday – Friday AM or PM		
Tuition Per Student	\$1,827.00	\$2,053	\$2,494.00		
Registration*	\$145.00	\$145.00	\$145.00		

<sup>\*</sup>Preschool registration is separate from K-8 registration. Families with a child in Preschool as well as K-8 will pay two registration fees. Preschool families also pay a supply fee of \$25 per child, which is collected at Orientation (date to be announced).



A special message from Mrs. Lana

Music is VERY analytical, greatly enhances critical thinking, and improves math scores and self- confidence! Kickoff the new year with Piano Lessons with Mrs. Lana. Special discount for our St. Bernadette students ONLY! Contact Mrs. Lana for details about

registration, screening, learning materials, and scheduling before space runs out! <u>llana@stbernadetteamelia.org</u>



## All Volunteers and Staff must register with SafeParish™

Instructions for setting up your SafeParish™ account are <a href="HERE">HERE</a>.

New to volunteering? You start by opening a SafeParish™ account, get the needed on-line training, and learn about any required background checks. Click on the link to get started!

# ONE LOVELY NIGHT

Vocal Ensemble Performance
Dessert Auction
Senior Honor Night



Sunday, March 5 6:30 p.m.





Help us raise funds for our competition and trip to Louisville!



Mercy McAuley Theatre presents **SEUSSICAL** 

## Showtimes:

March 24 & 25 March 26 7:30 p.m. 2 p.m.

Tickets: mercymcauley.ludus.com



Grade School Theatre Night (5th-8th graders) March 23, 6 p.m.

Pizza, meet the cast, and watch the dress rehearsal!

Register: www.mercymcauley.org/seussical

Pre-Show Party
(Families with kids age 10 & under)
March 26, 12:30 - 1:45 p.m

Pizza, meet the cast, crafts, games and more

Register & Pay (\$10/family): www.mercymcauley.org/seussical-party



# Set up your Titan Account for school lunches.

Lunches are provided through West Clermont School District and are made on our premises. Lunches are \$3.00 this year.

To set up your account, you will need your child's school ID number. This is the same ID number seen on your child's Gradedlink page.

You should be able to create your <u>Titan account</u>, load the **PaySchool account** and <u>apply for free or reduced priced lunches.</u>

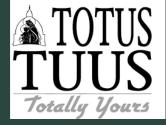


## You May Be Eligible

Even families who don't receive government subsidies can be eligible for Free or Reduced Priced lunches. Go to your Titan account and click on "Meal Application." Click through the form until you are able to note your income or other qualifying circumstances. Although families receiving SNAP benefits are automatically eligible, they still have to apply every year. Make sure you've taken advantage of this service, if you are able.

Apply for free or reduced priced lunches.

# Church News



## **TOTUS TUUS 2023**

Seems incredible, but we are preparing for Totus Tuus 2023. Teens meet Sunday June 11 – Thursday June 15, 2023, 7:00pm-9:00pm. Click for the Teen Registration forms. Children in Grades 1 – 6 meet Monday June 12 – Friday June 16, 2023 from 8:40am-2:30pm. See Children's Registration Forms. Full SE6 Parish Family Pot Luck is Wednesday June 14, 2023, 5:15-6:15pm in the St Bernadette Gym. This is a full SE6 Parish event, so we will have room for 150 children and 80 Teens. We will need over 100 volunteer adults and four host families from the 4 churches of our SE6 Parish to make this work for all. Click HERE to volunteer!



## **SUMMER FESTIVAL**

Thank you to those of you who have already signed up to help with the 2023 festival. We are currently looking for booth chairs, as well as help with set-up and clean-up. Please use this sign-up link for more information. If you have any questions about volunteering for the festival, please contact Jennifer Harris (513-604-6851) or Jennifer.harris411@yahoo.com. Let's work together to help make the festival this year a success!!

The Grand Raffle this year will be online only. Please share the link below with your family and friends.

Celebrate Life! St Bernadette 2023
Festival Grand Raffle by St Bernadette
Parish Festival | BetterUnite

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

## **Help PTO with School and Parent Events!**

This button will take you to a sign up form...All kinds of help is needed...everything from helping to set up a concert to organizing an event. A few of these may require SafeParish registration.

**PTO and School Event Assistance** 

## **Supervise Students During Lunch Periods**

Lunch supervision is a big help to the teacher in the cafeteria! Requires SafeParish registration.

Cafeteria Assistance

#### **Recess Volunteers**

This service requires SafeParish registration. Get your steps in and spend a half hour from 10:00-10:30 for morning recess, or about an hour during lunch recess. Your presence will increase playground safety by giving the teacher on duty another pair of eyes, and the kids will love seeing you there!

**Playground Patrol** 

**Quick Links** 

**Lunchroom volunteer sign-up** 

Recess volunteer sign-up

St. Bernadette volunteer sign-up

**Newsletters/Handouts** 

2022-2023 School Calender

Parent/Student Handbook under revision

**Parish Website** 

To set up Lunch Instructions

Free and Reduced online application

PTO

Schoolbelles (code S1952)

**Gradelink** 

**FACTS Login** 

**Remind Sign-up** 

Virtues in Practice (at home materials - Year 3, Year of Charity)

**Kroger Rewards** 

**Box Tops Bonus App** 

1n5 Foundation (great mental health information)

Mind-Peace (to find mental health providers - click on "Search for Providers")

Beacons of Light - Pastoral Planning and Parish Families

SafeParish instructions

## **COVID-19 LINKS**

Ohio COVID Vaccine Program
Get the Shot Ohio
Search Available Vaccine Sites
Myths and Facts: COVID Vaccine
Cincinnati Children's COVID site
Clermont County Public Health

If you or your child is exposed to someone with COVID, wear a mask for 10 days. If symptoms develop, assume you are positive for COVID and start the isolation period. If you remain symptom free, test on Day 5. If the test is negative, finish out the remaining 5 days wearing a mask. If you test positive, begin your isolation period.

If a parent is positive, it is important to isolate away from your child(ren) at home, otherwise you continue to expose the child to COVID and the mask wearing will continue 10 days past your last date of infection. (yikes) Children who are close contacts should absolutely stay in school and stay masked for 10 days. Teachers will also be masked whenever they are a close contact.

We have a modest supply of rapid tests. Call the office if you need one.



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