

St. Pius X School



Weekly Update

February 17, 2012

This Week at Saint Pius X School

Monday, February 20...	No School for Students, Presidents' Day
Tuesday, February 21...	Kickoff for 2 nd semester service project, "Pennies for Patients"
Wednesday, February 22...	Ash Wednesday Mass
Friday, February 24...	Rescheduled Ident-a-kid photos 3 rd quarter interims sent home Stations of the Cross, 1:45PM

Coming Soon...

Mon. Feb. 27- Wed. Feb. 29. Wednesday, February 29...	Saint Pius X Parish Mission, 7PM, led by Father Josh Wagner Leap Day Pizza with the Pastor for February
Wed. Mar. 7- Fri. Mar 9... Friday, March 23...	Jump Rope for Hearts No School for Students, Teacher Inservice/Kindergarten Screening

Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the season of Lent. The season of Lent is a time for sacrifice, penance and reflection as we prepare to commemorate the suffering and death of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We will begin the season of Lent as a school community with Ash Wednesday Mass at a special time, 1:15PM. Please plan to join us if you are available. Students will return to school following Mass and be dismissed at normal time. We will continue to reflect on the sacrifice Jesus made for us during our regular Tuesday school Masses. Each Friday at 1:45 we will attend Stations of the Cross as a school community. Students in 7th and 8th grade will lead our first Stations of the Cross on February 24. Students in 2nd grade through 8th grade will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday, March 22.

Saint Pius X Parish will host a Parish Mission from Monday, February 27 through Wednesday, February 29. Father Josh Wagner will be leading the Mission. Teachers will be limiting homework and projects during this time to encourage participation.

As we enter this holy season, may we be committed to a time of renewal, sacrifice and increased prayer as we journey with Jesus to Calvary.

No School

There is no school for students today, Friday, February 17 and Monday, February 20. Enjoy the long Presidents' Day weekend!

Good Luck!

Good luck to our Mathcounts team as they compete this weekend under the guidance of Mrs. Barbara Schwab. Our Mathcounts students are: Competing as a team will be Vince D., Ashley H., Anthony M. and Sarah L. Competing individually will be Brandon M., Kyle W., Maggie F., Frannie H., Zac W., and Olivia G. Our team alternates are Hunter L., Danny H., Mara P., Jacob M. and Michael S.

Registration News

Re-registration for the 2012-13 school year continues through Friday, March 2. Please send the form to the office with the \$100.00 registration fee per family. The registration fee will be taken off your 2012-13 tuition. Please contact Mrs. Phillips at 614/866-6050 ext. 223 with any questions.

Registration for Kindergarten for the 2012-13 school year as well as new students in grades 1-8 is open. Please share the good news that is Saint Pius X School with your family and friends who may be looking for a superior education in a friendly environment centered on our Catholic Faith.

The Saint Pius X Parish Children's Center will hold registration on Monday, February 20 in our school cafeteria. Times for registration are For more information, please contact co-directors Mary Benedict or Sharon Miller at 614/577-0826.

Second Quarter Service Learning Project

Our schoolwide service project for the 2nd semester will be "Pennies for Patients" benefitting the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. We will have our kickoff assembly for our service project this Tuesday, February 21. Our students will be looking for "spare" pennies to help this very worthwhile cause.

Ash Wednesday Mass

Our school Ash Wednesday Mass is scheduled for 1:15PM. Please plan to join us as we begin the season of Lent. We have been asked by the Children's Center to remind everyone joining us for Mass to please not park in their lot during Mass. They have 165 youngsters to watch over and any extra traffic in their lot is a safety concern. Thanks for your cooperation!

Leap Day

Students at Saint Pius X will leap forward one grade on Wednesday, February 29. During the morning, students will have the opportunity to visit each of the classrooms of the next grade level and participate in fun, enrichment lessons that give a sneak preview of what is ahead next year! A special morning of activities will also be planned for the 8th grade students in the PAC Room.

Mini-Fundraiser News**Giant Eagle:**

Shop. Scan. Support Our School! Giant Eagle's Apples for the Students runs through March 19. This program is a great way for our school to earn educational rewards such as computers, software, video equipment, gym and playground gear, and more. Is your Giant Eagle Advantage Card® registered? Now's the time to check. All you need is our school code, **4884**, to verify a card or register a new card. We have one more quarter to accumulate points. Currently we have 468 points!

Bonus Program - Now through March 19, 2012.

Our school will earn 10 Bonus Points for each new supporter who signs up. If you aren't registered, now is a great time to do it. Even if you don't shop there a lot, you give the school 10 points, just by registering!

1. Call 1-800-474-4777 or visit www.gianteagle.com/schools/apples-for-students.
2. Enter your Giant Eagle Advantage Card® number (which appears under the bar code).
3. Enter the school code. **4884**
4. Done! Please encourage your extended family and friends to register too.

Box Tops contest results.

I really want to thank everyone for the amazing response you have given to our box tops contests this year. Our winter contest netted 19,667 box tops!!!! (\$1,967.70). That is an overwhelming amount of tops in just two weeks. I estimate our total yearly income from box tops to be around \$4,000. Thanks so much. Lorrie Crowell

Here are the winning classes from the winter contest:

K-2:	3-5	6-8
Fries, 3311 - PJ Day	Marchi, 2227 - Popcorn/movie	none over 2000
O'Donnell, 1993 - Hot choc	Hay, 1752 -Hot Chocolate	none over 1500
Willis, 1594 - Cookies	Wiseman, 1004 - Cookies	Rees/Trainer, 1348
		Cookies

Spring Photos

Information for our Spring picture day is being sent home today. Spring Photo Day is scheduled for Tuesday, March 6. This year, orders and payment will be taken in advance. There is no obligation to participate. These photos are meant to be a casual photo session, and as we did last year we will take photos of siblings in a group. We will begin with sibling photos. If you wish to have your children photographed together, please send a note to each teacher's attention. Please contact the office with any questions.

Ident-a-kid

Ident-a-kid has been rescheduled for Friday, February 24 at 9:30AM for those interested. Information regarding this program will be sent home early next week.