

St. Pius X School



Weekly Update

September 9, 2011

This Week at Saint Pius X School

Monday, September 12...	School Picture Day
Tuesday, September 13...	8 th Grade visit to Bishop Hartley High School Students attend 8:30AM Mass prepared by Gr. 4
Wed./Thu. Sept. 14-15...	7 th Grade visit to Shepherd's Corner
Wed./Thu./Fri. Sept. 14-16...	8 th Grade Outdoor Education Camp
Friday, September 16...	Candy Sale Ends

Coming Soon...

Monday, September 19...	Home and School Fundraiser at La Fogata
Tue. Sept. 20-Fri. Sept. 23...	Blue and Gold Days
Saturday, September 24...	Home and School Golf Outing
Mon. Oct. 3/ Tue. Oct. 4...	Ohio Catholic Educators Association Convention, No School for Students

On the first Sunday of Advent, November 27, all Catholic parishes will fully implement the new Roman Missal. The United States Council of Catholic Bishops has given the go ahead for parishes to begin a gradual implementation of the translations. At Saint Pius X, Monsignor Funk will begin implementing some of the new translations at Masses the weekend of September 17/18. As a school, we will follow with Saint Pius X Parish in the changes.

Monsignor Funk has presented the timeline for changes with our teachers to support them in their understanding as well as to assist them in helping our students learn the new translations. Monsignor also met with our staff this past week to address the new Roman Missal. At our Ohio Catholic Educators Association (OCEA) Conference in October, Bishop Fredrick Campbell will address all Diocesan Teachers sharing insights and background with the new translation.

Cards with the new translations will be in the pews in the Church, and have been provided for all religion teachers to use in their classes. During school Masses beginning in October, we will recite the new translation of the Gloria. Saint Pius X will transition to updated translation of the Nicene Creed in November, and we will use the new Creed as our Morning Prayer as a school.

Of course, many of our students are parishioners of other parishes, most notably Seton Parish. The timelines for implementation may be different in other parishes, although all parishes will be using the entire new translations with the beginning of the new liturgical year in Advent. Our classroom religion teachers will be working with all students to share the timeline we will use at SPX and school Masses, and working to help students understand the process.

If you have any questions with the new translations, please feel free to contact me or your child's religion teacher.

Morning Drop Off



You may have noticed that there has been increased traffic in the morning. We have been monitoring the situation and will make adjustments as needed. We have been tracking the times of bus arrivals and the traffic in the morning loop. We recently learned that Waggoner Road Jr. High has an earlier start time, which may be a reason as to the increased traffic on Waggoner Road during our arrival time. Please remember that the building is open at 7:30 for students to enter. As traffic warrants, we have not been marking students tardy.

The safety of all is priority! Please do not park or drop off your children near the Children's Center. Their classes have begun and there will be increased traffic in this area. Please also use caution when entering and exiting the parking lot. As always, thank you for your cooperation!

School Picture Day



Lifetouch will visit SPX for our annual school picture day this coming Monday, September 12. Flyers have been sent home and orders must be returned on picture day to order your photos. Retakes will be scheduled for November. Picture day will be an out of uniform day. Students are permitted to dress according to the out of uniform guidelines in the school handbook. Please contact the office with any questions.



Protecting God's Children Workshop

A Protecting God's Children Workshop will be held at Saint Pius X on Wednesday, September 21 beginning at 6:30PM in the PAC Room. All volunteers and staff in any capacity must take the Protecting God's Children workshop. To register visit www.virtus.org and follow the links from the registration tab. This session is open only to parishioners of Saint Pius X and/or parents of SPX students.



8th Grade Visit to Bishop Hartley High School

Our 8th grade students will get a glimpse at high school life this week as they visit Bishop Hartley High School. The students will spend the day touring the BHHS campus, visiting classrooms, eating lunch and learning about what they can expect during their transition to high school.

8th Grade Outdoor Education Camp



Our 8th grade students will have their annual Outdoor Education camp experience at Lutheran Memorial Camp in Mt. Gilead. This annual 8th grade tradition gives the students the opportunity to participate in a variety of team building activities as well as extensions of classroom learning. Monsignor Funk will celebrate an outdoor Mass for our 8th graders on Wednesday, September 14.

7th Grade Shepherd's Corner Visit



This week our 7th grade students will participate in an outdoor service learning camp at Shepherd's Corner in Blacklick. Both Wednesday and Thursday mornings, the students will travel to Shepherd's Corner and participate in a variety of educational and service experiences such as learning about animals and compost, conducting a stream quality survey and harvesting crops that are often donated to food pantries.

E-Communication Sign Up



Please sign up for our e-communication by following the link on our website, www.spxelementary.com. E-communication will notify you of school closings or delays, important communications and when the Weekly Updates or "Panther Pen" Newsletters are posted. Our e-communication system requires new signups each year.

