



SAINT MARK CATHOLIC SCHOOL

The Bridge

APRIL 16, 2010

POSITIVE ATTITUDES COURAGE PATIENCE WISDOM PEACEFUL WAYS

"Keep alert, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love." 1Cor. 16: 13-1

Parents,

What a busy month we are in! Spring sports, First Communion, musical practice, tutoring, scouts, dance, and many other family activities. It seems that we don't have much time to relax, but this is such a great time to be a parent and an educator! We have the opportunity to see our children grow in many ways. We have many teachable moments as parents and as educators. While we witness many emotions in our children, it is great to be able to teach them with Christian principles.

I sent home the changes in the uniform policy last week with the Bridge. If you have any questions feel free to contact me. This week the calendar for next school year will be included. This will allow for parents to plan things in the long term. We will be having a few 1:00 pm dismissals for staff development next year and we will announce them at a later date this summer.

We are going to have two events next Friday, April 23, here at SMCS. At 9:00 am we will be kicking off Grandparents day at our all school Mass at 9:00 am in the church. Grandparents will be invited back to the classrooms to visit with their grandchildren and their teachers and enjoy some snacks. At 2:00 pm we will be having convocation in the Church for all of our students grades K-8. Mr. Kevin Wanzer will be speaking to our students on different social topics. All parents are invited to the convocation to listen to Kevin's message.

As we continue the Easter season we are grateful for the many blessings that we have at St. Mark Catholic School. We continue to pray each day that God will watch over our students, parents and staff and provide us safety and knowledge. We ask for your continued support and prayers. Have a great weekend!

Hope to see you Saturday at the Bingo Bash.

Thanks and God Bless,

Rusty Albertson
Principal
St. Mark Catholic School

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCHOOL CALENDAR for the **2010-2011 school year** is attached to the newsletter.

VIRTUS TRAINING: A Virtus Training form is attached to the newsletter. If you have received this training, please fill out the form and return to the school office. If you have not received this training, you can register online by going to www.virtusonline.org. You can also find out from this site when and where the next training dates will be. Below is a list of some of the locations:

St. Anthony – Sat., April 17 at 9:30 am – Conducted in Spanish

St. Malachy – Brownsburg – Wed., May 5 at 6:30 pm – estimated length of session – 3 hrs.

St. Susanna – Plainfield – Thurs., June 3 at 6:30 pm – 3 hrs. and also Mon., June 7 at 10:00 am – 3 hrs.

REMINDER: Next Friday, April 23 is Grandparents Day, starting with Mass at 9:00 am.

SAINTS FRANCIS AND CLARE invite you to hear Dr. Greg Sipes speak on Monday, April 26 at 6:30 pm. He will be presenting an informational talk insuring your kids will follow the Gospel values. This event is free of charge. Please contact Angie Gilliland if you have any questions, 887-2022. Attached to the newsletter is information on the presentation and a bio of Dr. Greg Sipes.

IUPUI is offering Beginning Reading Programs for 4 year olds & entering Kindergartners. They are also offering programs for entering 1st through 5th graders. These summer programs are offered in Greenwood and on campus by Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, Community Learning Network. Brochures are available in the school office.

CYO Office hours: Mon – Thurs. (8:30 AM to 5:00 PM)
Friday (9:00 AM to 3:00 PM)

CYO Kings Island Day is scheduled for Wednesday, July 28, 2010.

Tickets are available for \$24.99 through the CYO Office. This is a savings of \$24.00 per ticket. Please call the CYO Office at 632-9311 for further information.

You may purchase tickets by calling our office and making arrangements to pick up your tickets during the day at the CYO Office, 580 E. Stevens Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46203. We would be glad to get your tickets ready for you.

Please keep in mind that the tickets are good only for the CYO Day on July 28th. The tickets are available to individuals that may be interested as well as your family and friends.

FUNDRAISING

SCRIP: Are you planning your 2010 vacation? Don't forget to purchase Scrip gift cards. You can use Scrip to book your flight, rent a car, buy your gas, reserve a hotel room, and go out to eat! Please help support St. Mark's tuition assistance program!

See attached order form. Place your order on Monday and it will be in that same Friday. You can also purchase Scrip gift cards after every weekend mass in the Narthex.

FROM THE CAFETERIA

LUNCH MENU – APRIL 19th WEEK

- Mon.** – Chicken sticks, macaroni & cheese, garden salad, kiwi pieces
Tues. – Nachos, Mexican rice, broccoli & cauliflower pieces, orange wedges
Wed. – Hot dog on bun, coney sauce, cheese sauce, tator tots, applesauce
Thurs. – Chicken & Noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, apple crisp
Fri. – Cheese pizza, warm breadstick, Caesar salad, pineapple tidbits

SPORTS

Sports Notes

<u>Event</u>	<u>Day of Week</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time, Location</u>
April 16-23			
Coed Track	Sunday (4/18)	St. Malachy Inv.	1:00, B'burg East MS
34 Kickball	Wed'day (4/21)	St. Luke	5:00, St. Luke
34 Kickball	Thursday (4/22)	Little Flower	6:00, Little Flower

St. Mark All Sports Banquet – Mark your calendars for the St. Mark Athletic Banquet scheduled for Thursday, May 20 at 6:00. The banquet is open to all Lion CYO athletes, Southside Flag Football League players, parents and coaches. A program will be held in the church sanctuary followed by a catered banquet in the cafeteria. Registration for Fall sports (tackle football, kickball, HS volleyball, cross-country, flag football & cheerleading) and uniform returns will also occur at the banquet. Please contact Patrick Collier at 881-0316 or collierfamily8@att.net for more information.

Roncalli Summer Sports Camps - Registration for Roncalli Summer Sports Camps is now underway. Roncalli is offering 16 different sports camps this summer and the registration fee is \$50 per camp. Brochures may be found on the Roncalli High School web site at http://www.roncalli.org/athletics/Summer_Sports_Camps.pdf.