

November 1, 2009 All Saints

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday	4:00 PM Ralph Felten
Sunday	7:00 AM Phyllis Wessing 8:45 AM Joan Knipp 10:30 AM For the People
Monday	6:30 AM Souls in Purgatory (CC) 8:05 AM Joe Ellebracht 5:30 PM Pope Benedict XVI (Clifton)
Tuesday	8:05 AM Private Prayer
Wednesday	8:05 AM Gustie Neckerman
Thursday	8:05 AM Bertha Gerling Adoration
Friday	8:05 AM Jack Lammers 10:30 AM Jerome & Alfreda Larm
Saturday	4:00 PM Ralph Felten
Sunday	7:00 AM Frank & Isabella Bauer 8:45 AM Elmer Wolf 10:30 AM For the People

Confession Schedule

St. Joseph (PG) - Saturday	3:00 - 3:50 pm
Sunday	15 - 20 minutes before 8:45 am mass
Thursday	5:00 - 7:00 pm when adoration is scheduled
St. John's (CC) - Sunday	6:30 am
St. Joseph (Clifton) - 2nd Wednesday of month	6:00 - 7:00 pm

Dear Parishioners:

I'm sure everyone is looking forward to some dry weather for awhile which hopefully the dear Lord will grace us with. A few things:

1.) Hats off to the Altar Sodality for a great breakfast. It was most excellent.
2.) As time goes on, it is my hope to have finance committee meetings and financial reports to the parish on at least a quarterly basis, and also to start on at least the beginnings of a parish council by getting a few committees up and running. It is true that entities such as school boards, finance committees, parish council, etc. are consultative and advisory in nature, however, there are many concerns and possible initiatives in any given parish where a pastor is wise to have the perspective, initiative and consensus of such groups before he would want to sign off on any number of things. Plus, involvement like this does generally help people to be even more engaged in the life of their parish and school

3.) A number of persons have raised questions about the sign of Peace at Mass: two things are optional here: a.) the invitation by the deacon or priest ("Let us offer each other a sign of peace") ; b.) How one extends the sign of peace: in other words, as the rite states it's a matter of "local custom" together with the good sense and discretion of each person.

4.) November is the month of the Holy Souls in Purgatory: please note the Mass schedule for Monday (11/2/09) All Souls Day. Belief in both the mercy and justice of God relative to our choices in life and the state of our souls undergirds Catholic doctrine about heaven, hell and purgatory. As the Holy Spirit says in Jeremiah, "I the Lord alone probe the mind and heart"! We are obligated by both justice and love to pray for the dead: it is one of the spiritual works of mercy. The fact is that strictly speaking, only God knows the real state of anyone's soul in life or death, therefore we must pray and make sacrifices for the dead that "they may be freed from their sins," as the old Testament puts it. Requiescant in Pace! May they rest in peace.

God bless.

Fr. Kane

Rest in Peace - to Robert McKenzie who was buried from St. Joseph . We extend to all of Robert's family our heartfelt sympathies and prayers. Eternal Rest Grant unto Robert, O Lord, May he rest in Peace.

Holy Communion to Katy Manor

Carol Lang

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Envelopes	\$ 2,911.00
School	135.00
World Missions	115.00
Loose	138.00

Total **\$3,299.00**

COMING EVENTS:

11/03 - Altar Sodality 7:00 pm
 11/08 - 7th & 8th grade Mystery Dinner
 Church Hall
 11/12 - Knights of Columbus
 11/14 - Church Hall Rented

Remember the Sick and Suffering

Ted Twenter, Laura Willenbring, Doc Vollmer, Robert Evers, C.R. Kammerich, Ron Kaullen, Linnebur family, Paul Gramlich, Martha Brady, Bob Richerson, Kristi Richerson, Neal Grunden, Betty Myers, James and Agnes Hoff, Mark & Jeri Wesselman, Steve Goss, Audrey Self and all the sick and suffering in our Parish Family

PSR - We will be having a hayride for PSR students on Wednesday, November 4th. Class will start at 6:30 pm and end at 8:00 pm. Permission slips were sent home with students. Please send these with your child so they will be able to participate in this event.

The Pilot Grove American Legion Post 266 is having a Veteran's Memorial service on Sunday, November 8, 2009 at 2:00 pm at the Pilot Grove Community Building.

There will be a breakfast/lunch on Saturday, November 14, 2009 to benefit the Lamine School House. It will be at the Clifton City Community Building serving from 6:00 am - 3:00 pm. Everyone is welcome.

Winners of the Altar Sodality Breakfast raffle on October 25th:
 Handmade quilt by Ladies of Altar Sodality - MaKenzie Twenter
 Hall Tree hand crafted by David Vollrath - Peggy Schupp
 \$100 cash - Pat Dill

The Altar Sodality would like to express their tremendous gratitude to everyone who came to the breakfast and/or helped in any way to make the breakfast a success.
 Your help is very much appreciated.
 May God Bless you all.

The Knights of Columbus will be having a carry in dinner on November 12, 2009 at 7:00 pm before the regular meeting. The meat will be provided, please bring a fellow Knight and a side dish and join the fellowship.

St. Mary's Annual Fall Dinner will be Sunday, November 8 in Glasgow. It will be in the school. Serving 11:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Adults - \$9.00, 5 -10 \$5.00, 4 & under free, Carry outs - \$10.00 Auction will begin at 5:00 p.m. in the K of C Hall.

St. Joseph Cougar Times



October 2009



First and Second Grade
By: Mrs. Janet Joynt

Halloween is quickly approaching and we are getting ready. The first and second graders have been reading Halloween stories, writing about Halloween, and graphing and counting Halloween favorites. We made pumpkin glyphs with the help of our 7th and 8th grade buddies. If you are in the school take a peak. They are on display on the stairway wall leading to the 7th/8th grade room. On the 30th we will wear our costumes to school, visit Katy Manor, and have a party with games and treats. The other big event of the month was a field trip to Kansas City. We visited Science City, had lunch at Fritz's Railroad Restaurant, and experimented with different art medium at Kaleidoscope. It was a great day!

Third and Fourth
By: Ms. Michelle Klein

Once again, we have been very busy in our classroom this month. The third and fourth graders read one story out of their Reading textbooks every week. This month, the third graders have read "The Keeping Quilt", "Grandma's Records", and "The Talking Cloth". The fourth graders have read "Tomas and the Library Lady", "Tanya's Reunion", and "Boss of the Plains." In English, they have been learning about verbs, contractions, and adjectives. In Science, the students have identified the ways living things change their environment (and have observed how worms adapt to new surroundings), learned about fossils, identified endangered animals, and described the layers of the Earth as well as identifying the seven continents. In Math, the third graders have solved prediction problems, added 4-digit numbers, wrote expressions, estimated with 2-4 digit numbers, subtracted 3-4 digit numbers, and counted money. The fourth graders wrote and balanced equations, read and wrote problems with elapsed time, and used frequency tables to answer questions. As for Religion, the students will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation once a month this year. This is an important sacrament to receive and the students know what to expect when they walk into the confessional. They have taken this sacrament very seriously and are encouraged to think about ways in which they can improve their character. In class, we have discussed God and His creation, that Jesus is the Second Person in the Trinity and the Savior of the world, and Adam and Eve and their role in the fall of mankind. We have also gone on a few field trips this month. We went to The New K in Kansas City to see where the Royals play. The students were divided up into three groups and we rotated between a Math Center (where the students measured every day baseball items and equipment), a Science Center (where they were asked to predict where a ball would fly according to the location it hit the bat), and an English Center (where they were asked to pick out nouns and verbs on a written riddle about baseball equipment). In the afternoon, the students were given a tour of the stadium. On Friday morning, the students went to Katy Manor to spend Halloween with the residents. They played games and had a great time! The students have shown a lot of academic and social growth so far this year. They have also been taking their parts in Mass very seriously and enjoy leading the school with Mass when it is "our" turn. Thank you to all who support our school and giving the children a Catholic education.

Fifth and Sixth Grade

By: Mrs. Jill Bronakowski

The fifth and sixth graders finished the month of October strong with an exciting field trip, a spirit parade, and plenty of school projects. Last week, the whole school traveled to Kansas City. The 3rd-8th graders enjoyed three mini sessions about the "academic" side of baseball at the new Kauffman Stadium. Afterwards, we all were treated to an awesome tour of the stadium, including a look at the visitor's locker room and the press box. Thanks to the Home and School Association for making this day possible!!

In our religion class, the students continue to analyze the Creed and what each line truly means to all Catholics. We are now covering God, the Creator of heaven and earth. In our reading class, we have started reading *Maniac Magee*, a story about a young boy who brings together a segregated town. In social studies, we continue to learn about the Native Americans. For our science class, we covered a lesson on plants. The students created their own games to help each other learn the different parts of the plant. They were very creative! We are just beginning to grow our own corn and bean plants. During these next five weeks, the students will be recording the growth of each plant and learning about the early stages of plants.

Seventh and Eighth Grade

By: Mrs. April Bailey

October was another busy month for the seventh and eighth graders. In Social Studies, we are moving along in our study of early America, and we are getting ready to begin learning about the French and Indian war and the Founding Fathers. We are continuing our study of cells on an increasingly microscopic level by learning about mitosis, meiosis, and DNA/RNA and their functions in cells. It is fun to teach the students about the DNA code and how that is eventually translated into the enzymes that carry out all cell processes. They are learning so much this year about the life that surrounds them! In Math, the eighth graders have entered the world of integers, and they are becoming experts at solving equations and inequalities using negative and positive integers. The seventh graders have been working on solving equations in Math as well. They moved from working on the order of operations into solving equations using all four operations. They are quickly building a strong algebra foundation that will serve them well in the next several years! In Mrs. Bronakowski's English class, the class is working hard on writing persuasive essays. It is great that they are learning how to focus their arguments in a formal, well-written manner. The class is enjoying Father Kane teaching their Religion class. It is a great challenge! Thank you all for your continuing support as the students move into basketball and speech season. See you at the Mystery Dinner!

Art News

By: Mrs. Joyce Lorenz

Hello from the art room! We've had a very fun and fast October. We visited the Haller pumpkin patch to pick out our pumpkins that they paint, and Harold Haller gave a short tour and lots of information about pumpkins, corn and gourds. Did you know that cucumbers and watermelons were in the same family as pumpkins and gourds? And that the Indians introduced corn to us after Columbus landed in America? Back then all corn was called "Indian corn" not just the colored kind that we know today. That is just some of the interesting facts he gave us. Harold also gave each student a cap with a football logo on it. The students were ecstatic! The Haller's also donated gourds to all of the students so they could decorate with them at their own house. The actual pumpkin the students bought were painted and taken home. The students also created a fall picture using wet tissue paper to create the leaves. These were hung up in the lunch room so the parents could view them at the last home and school meeting. Last but not least they signed cards for all of the Katy Manor residents which the first through fourth grades will deliver at the end of the month. The residents always enjoy receiving things from the students and being entertained by them!

P.E. News

By: Mrs. Joyce Lorenz

All of the students were able to take a walk down to public school to view all of the Barnwarming festivities this month. Mr. Kuster was kind enough to invite us down and the students really seem to enjoy this. Mr. Kuster even had first through fourth grades dancing! They were a bit shy at first, but after they asked him to please turn up the music they really got into their dancing! I could hardly get them to go back to school! All the classes seen the Barnwarming decorating in different stages as FFA students worked on it all day. On our walks we practice motor skills and we also were checking out the other fall decorating that was going on at different houses. The students have been playing different games, practicing ball handling techniques and playing basketball. The 7th & 8th grade season has started and they want to practice!
Stay healthy!

We are truly blessed by our community who goes out of their way to do things and donate things for us here at St. Joseph's! Thank you all for your commitment to our school!!

Honor Roll for the first quarter grades 3-8 is as follows:

Grade 3 "A" - Samarah Bailey & Emily Schupp **"B"** - Cassie Grandestaff & Maci Twenter

Grade 4 "A" - Kale Day & Madeline Goehman

Grade 5 "A" - Karsyn Kraus **"B"** - Jared Schupp, Brady Rentel, Celine Dodson, Marissa Day, Parker Schuster & Alex Young

Grade 6 "A" - Isaac Lorenz & Jenna Gerke **"B"** - MaKenzie Twenter, Clemence Twenter & Grant Vollrath

Grade 7 "A" - Kennedy Gerling, Kaylin Twenter, Keaton Vollrath & Kerigan Wessing **"B"** - Whitney Reynolds

Grade 8 "A" - Luke Schuster, McKenzi Schuster, Isabella Twenter & Morgan Vollrath **"B"** - Logan Twenter & Trenton Young

Mr. Monnig and the teachers would like to thank the D of I again for the \$1000 donation. Part of the funds was used to replace desk chairs for the teachers and Mr. Monnig. The computer room also received 4 new chairs to finish up the set. The rest of the money will be put aside to use when the next need arises. We appreciate the D of I considering St. Joseph School to be a worthy cause.

Mass Schedule

The 7th & 8th graders had the ministries at Mass this week. Next week Masses will be planned by the 5th & 6th graders. They will be on Monday, November 2, for All Souls Day and on Thursday, November 5th. What a beautiful life skill students experience each week by taking an active role in the liturgy and leading us in prayer. Thanks to all parents, grandparents and parishioners for joining us at Mass each week and modeling your faith for the students.

Go Cougars!

The boys and girls basketball team has been in action in the Blackwater Tournament this week. Both teams have been victorious up to this point.

Bellarmino Speech Meet

All students representing St. Joseph School at the November 7th meet have been working hard to get their speeches memorized. They will present their speech to the student body on Friday, November 6th, at 10:30 A.M. in the school cafeteria. If grandparents or parents have a conflict for the speech meet on November 7th, they are welcome to view the speeches with the student body on November 6th.

Good luck to all participants.

**“A Mystery Dinner in the Woods”
Is being held
Sunday, Nov. 8th
At the
St. Joseph Church Basement**

**A reservation is needed
Tickets are \$10.00 a person
Seating's are at 4:00 and 6:00
Contact a 7th/8th grader or the school office**

This event will fund the class trip, graduation, and a gift to the school.

**Kick off the hunting season and
Come enjoy a fun and mysterious meal!**

Calendar of Events for November

- 6 - Early Release (Teacher In-Service)
- 7 - Regional Speech Meet
- 9 - 7th & 8th grade Basketball vs. Blackwater (away)
- 12- 7th & 8th grade Basketball vs. St. Andrews (away)
- 13 - No Classes - Diocesan Religious Ed. Conf.
- 16 - 21 - Clarksburg Tournament 7th & 8th grade
- 18 - Home and School Meeting 7:00 pm
- 25 - 27 - Thanksgiving Break
- 30 - 7th & 8th grade Basketball vs. Clarksburg (home)

