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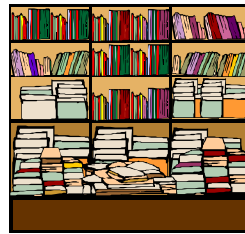
Updates from St. Ann School

Library News:

Joey Peller, local boy scout, has attacked our school library and taken it on as his Eagle Scout project. Joey, along with his team, have been working week-ends to move the library, paint, set up shelving, moving books, tables, etc. Curtains are being made, the library is not quite finished, but is shaping up very nicely.

St. Ann Library has not carried magazines for student reading. The library would like to bring this item to reality for the students. Below you will find a list of requested magazines. If you are interested in sponsoring a magazine and the plastic cover for the library, please contact the school office for details.

Magazine choices for St. Ann School library:



Local Boy Scout working on Eagle Project

American Girl
Boy's Life
Faces

Ranger Rick
Suzie Magazine
Young Rider
Thrasher
Popular Mechanics
Jack and Jill
Highlights High Five
National Geographic for Kids
The library is continuing to serve your child with classroom visits rather than visits to the actual library. A grand opening will be held for the library during our fall Parent Teacher Conferences. We will be sending information packets to you regarding library cards from the UC Public Library in the Tuesday folder today.

St. Ann School Choir

St. Ann School Choir will begin having practice every Wednesday afternoon starting August 24th. Practice will be from 2:10 pm to 3 pm. Interested students should pick up a Choir Contract in the school office. Contracts are due by August 24th.

Choir is open to any 2nd thru 7th grade student with an interest in singing and participating in mass. This is a very important ministry.

It is very important that students are picked up on time when practice ends. If you permit your

child to walk to the Union County Public Library, please indicate this on the Choir Contract.

There will be a \$6 fee which will cover the cost of t-shirts that each student will wear when singing for mass.

Amadora Fundraiser for Technology



Amadora Fundraiser for St. Ann School

St. Ann School teachers are hosting a fundraiser which will kick off on Tuesday, August 23rd. The funds from the event will be used to assist with the purchase of Elmo's and digital projectors for each classroom. Funds will also be used to bring our library into the 21st century by purchasing a system for checking out books that will eliminate the ancient check out card system we now have in place.

Amadora—Luxurious Sheet

Fundraiser—With the help of all teachers and students we will be selling microfiber sheets as soft as 1500 thread count Egyptian cotton.

Sheets are available in King, Queen, and Full sizes. Each set includes 1 fitted sheet, 1 flat sheet, and two pillow cases. Sheets have deep pockets for oversized mattresses. There is a 100% money back guarantee if returned within 30 days. No ironing is needed, they are wrinkle free, and stain resis-

tant. Sheets sets are available in 12 beautiful colors. Each set of sheets will sell for approximately \$42.

Order forms will be ready and sent home with students on August 23rd.

If each family could sell 10 sets of sheets, St. Ann School could clear approximately \$25,000. Please support this important fundraiser.

St. Ann School continues to do its part in providing for a "Greener Earth".

Recycling for a Greener Earth

St. Ann School continues to do its part in providing for a "Greener Earth". Classrooms will be visited by Leigh Ann Hengen from Holy Name on Monday, August 29th to discuss the collection of plastic bottle caps. Green Tree Plastics in Evansville collects the bottle caps and creates plastic benches and picnic tables for outdoor use. Holy Name has "banked" 500 pounds of plastic caps for a bench. They are donating their caps to St. Ann School for a new bench.

Along with the caps, there is a \$200 fee for the bench. PTO has agreed to pay the fee.

St. Ann School will begin to collect the plastic bottle caps. Please save your caps and send to the school. We will collect them and turn them into more benches and picnic tables.

The 8th grade class continues to collect aluminum cans to raise funds for their Washington trip. Amy and Jim Hutchison has volun-

teered to set up a dumpster on the school parking lot for the collection of the cans. The dumpster is for cans only, no plastic or trash is allowed. Please dump all cans into the dumpster, DO NOT toss them over the railing as in the past. Hutchison's will take the dumpster to the recycling center when it is full. Please save your aluminum cans!

St. Ann Golf Team is beginning...



Sports Updates

St. Ann Golf Team is beginning practice for competition at this time. If you are interested and have not signed up, please contact Angie Hagedorn at (270) 952-6588. All students must have had a physical

and completed the forms that are located on the website to participate in any sport activity. No student will be accepted to play after August 18th.

There is an **opening for a volunteer girls basketball coach**. If you are interested, please complete the Volunteer Form located on the website

and submit the form to the school office to be considered for the position. The pay is little, but the rewards are great. Making a difference in a child's life is extremely rewarding and satisfying. You must have completed the Diocesan Safe Environment Training.

St. Ann School PTO



St. Ann School PTO is a very active organization within our school. Please become an active participant in our PTO organization. The first meeting is scheduled for August 24th at 6 pm in the parish hall.

PTO— Engaged in improving St. Ann School.

each student.

Trash bag sales will be discussed and kicked-off during this meeting.

IOWA test scores will be passed

Guest speaker, Casi Clark with KHEAA will be present to speak to you about higher education and projects that can enhance higher achievement for

out at the end of the event to parents who attend.

Parents of students who attend the PTO meeting will receive a ticket, which, when presented at school on August 25th, will allow the student to wear flip flops or sandals to school for the day.

If you have any new ideas for fundraising, please bring them with you with details. We are always eager for new ideas.

*Weekly mass
schedule for
students,
monthly
confession
schedule set.*

Mass Schedules for 2011-12 School Year

St. Ann School students will attend mass twice every week. Our county is blessed to have four priests, who rotate Friday mass.

Students in K, 1, and 2 will attend mass on Tuesday; students in grades 3, 4, and 5 will attend mass on Wednesday; and students in middle school will attend mass on

Thursday. All students will attend mass every Friday.

The Friday priest schedule is as follows:

1st Friday—Father Freddie; 2nd Friday—Father Greg; 3rd Friday—Father Terry; 4th and 5th Friday—Father Baker.

St. Ann students will also have the opportunity for confessions once a month. All priests will be present to hear confessions.

Confessions will be heard every 2nd Wednesday of the month beginning at 12:30 pm. Confessions will not be heard the month of January as priests will be away for convocation.

Consistency is Key for Success for Students

Children like consistency. They like to know what expectations a person has for them. They are eager to please, but they want to know what to expect.

St. Ann Staff will be working diligently during the next two weeks teaching students our expectations for classroom, church, cafeteria, hallway, computer lab, bathroom,

etc.

We need your help. During the next few weeks, please provide as much consistency as possible for the end of the day release home, whether they ride the bus, ride a car, or walk, please be as consistent as possible. Small changes in transportation home can often cause students to have a distressing end

to a great day.

We do realize your plans often change; we will make the necessary adjustments. But we find that consistency is so helpful to success in a student's life.

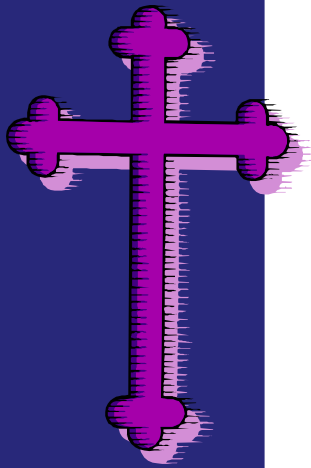


AUGUST 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 School Council	17K—1 Screen- ing	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 PTO 1st Choir Practice	25 Golf Match	26	27
28	29Recycl ing Meetings	30	31 Golf Match	1—5th Outdoor Safety		

Schedule of Events

- } Aug 16—School Council meet-
ing Library 5:30 PM
- } Aug 17—K—I Speech and
hearing screenings
- } Aug 24—1st Choir Practice
2:10—3:00 pm
- } Aug 24—PTO meeting Parish
Hall 6 pm
- } Aug 25—Golf Match
- } Aug 29—Leigh Ann Hengen to
visit classrooms—recycling
program
- } Aug 31—Golf Match
- } Sept 1—5th grade Outdoor
Safety Program



Surveys are due soon, please return completed forms to your church office.

Our Heritage Our Future

During the past several weeks Catholics throughout the county have received surveys with regards to building a new Catholic school.

Two town hall meetings were held in July. Both meetings were very informational and well attended. The steering committee presented historical information regarding Catholic education in Union County. Plans for the new school were discussed and questions were answered.

Representatives with Kirby-Smith are currently collecting the surveys. Information from the surveys and interviews will be processed and the results of the feasibility study will be presented to all parishes in the very near future.

If you have received a survey, but not returned it to your church, please do so as soon as possible. If you did not receive a survey, but would like one, please contact your church or the school office. If you would like to meet with the representatives of Kirby-Smith in person, please contact your church office to schedule an appointment.

The name of the new school will probably be changed. If you have any suggestions for a school name, please submit them to your church office.

Questions or concerns regarding the current school or the prospective new school can be addressed with any priest in the county.

Prayer for the Success of the School Building Project – Please recite daily

Holy St. Joseph, spouse of Mary, be mindful of the Catholics of Union County and our school building project. Pray for us; watch over us. Guardian of the paradise of the new Adam, provide for our temporal needs. Faithful guardian of the most precious of all treasures, we beseech you to bring this project to a happy end if it be for the glory of God and the good of our souls. Amen.

Golf Match Schedule



Below you will find the schedule for the golf matches to be held this school year.

8/25 HOME vs Holy Name 4:15 pm

8/31 AWAY vs Holy Name 4:00 pm (Henderson CC)

9/8 HOME vs Henderson South

4:15 pm

9/15 AWAY vs Henderson South (Audobon)

4:00 pm

9/22 HOME vs. Henderson North

4:00 pm

9/26 HOME vs Henderson North

4:15 pm

9/29 HOME end of Season

3:00 pm

St. Ann students may wear their golf shirt to school on days they

have a golf match.

If you have any questions regarding the golf program, please refer them to Mrs. Angela Hagadorn at (270) 952-6588 or

angela.hagedorn@gmail.com

Come out to the golf course and support your golfing Cherokees.

Homestudy/Homework Folders

Tuesday Folder Update

In the past, St. Ann School students brought home a folder on Tuesday with many school papers and notes from the school regarding upcoming events.

This year, correspondence from the office to home will come home in a folder every Tuesday. Newsletters will not be provided every week, as newsletter information can be found on the St. Ann School

website. But there may be other forms of information, field trip forms, etc, that cannot be placed on the website. Please watch the folder that comes home on Tuesday for this type of communication.

Teachers in grades PK thru 4 will be sending home daily homework folders. Grade 5 will **only** bring home Tuesday folder's. Tests and homework assignments will be in

this folder.

Middle school students are responsible for bringing home any homework assignment/tests as they are completed. Information from the office will come home in the Tuesday folder.

Daily grades for students in grades 1—8 will be posted on Fast Direct as needed.

Parent Communication...So Important

St. Ann School works diligently to communicate with parents as often as possible, either through email, School Announcements phone communication, Fast Direct, personal phone calls, or the website.

Please make sure your personal information is updated on Fast Direct, phone numbers, address, emergency contacts, etc. If you need assistance, please contact Mrs. Wilson.

School Announcements allows our school to phone important information to the phone number you indicate. It is important to keep your contact numbers updated. You are allowed two phone numbers.

The website is updated daily.

Fast Direct messages can be sent or we can also send text messages. You must indicate your cellular service provider for this option to work correctly.

If you need a user name and password for Fast Direct, please call the school office at (270) 389-1898.



Fast Direct, School Announcements, Email, Website, Telephone...we communicate!



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Mission

St. Ann School provides academic excellence in education while emphasizing the teaching of the Catholic faith to prepare students to be responsible members of families, church, and community.

Philosophy of St. Ann School

We believe that each student is a unique individual created by God and destined for a life after Him. We believe that parents and guardians are the primary teacher of children and, therefore, should actively be involved in the educational progress of children. We believe that all children can learn and by guiding the development of the student, we can help each student fulfill a commitment to Jesus Christ.



Birthday Celebrations & Handbook Info

A birthday is always a special day. The day is special for the parents as they reflect on what took place on that particular date years ago, but it is especially special for the students.

To recognize a student's birthday at St. Ann School, it is announced during the morning announcements. Students who celebrate a birthday during the school year are allowed an out of uniform day on the day of their birthday. For students celebrate their birthday during the summer months, they may celebrate a 1/2 birthday during the school year. For example, if your birthday is July 15th, you may celebrate on December 15th for your out of uniform day.

Students are also recognized with a birthday card with a treat inside. Birthday cards are delivered to the

students' classroom at the end of the day with other messages.

We do ask that parents refrain from sending any food items to celebrate the student's birthday. You can send special non-food birthday treat bags that will be sent home with the students at the end of the school day. More information can be found about birthday celebrations



Birthday Celebrations are Special Days for students and families.

celebrations can be found in the handbook.

Please take time to read the Student/Parent Handbook carefully. The handbook can be found online at www.st-ann.com. Please review the guidelines of the handbook with your children. Teachers are also reviewing the information with them during the first two weeks of school.

There is a parent/student signature page that must be printed, signed and returned to the school office by Friday, August 19th. If you do not have access to a printer, please contact the office and ask for a copy.