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To Jesus through Mary



ST. FRANCIS DE SALES SCHOOL

APRIL 11, 2018

To pray and ponder

To Jesus through Mary April Focus – Glorious Mysteries April Virtue of the Month – Justice

During April, we focus our attention on the virtue of justice. In A Pastoral Reflection on Lay Discipleship for Justice in a New Millennium (USCCB, 1998), we are reminded that "Catholicism does not call us to abandon the world, but to help shape it. This does not mean leaving worldly tasks and responsibilities, but transforming them. Catholics are everywhere in this society. We are corporate executives and migrant farm workers, senators and welfare recipients, university presidents and day care workers, tradesmen and farmers, office and factory workers, union leaders and small business owners. Our entire community of faith must help Catholics to be instruments of God's grace and creative power in business and politics, factories and offices, in homes and schools and in all the events of daily life. Social justice and the common good are built up or torn down day by day in the countless decisions and choices we make. This vocation to pursue justice is not simply an individual task -- it is a call to work with others to humanize and shape the institutions that touch so many people. The lay vocation for justice cannot be carried forward alone, but only as members of a community called to be the "leaven" of the Gospel." This week, let us pause and ponder whether or not our daily decisions and choices promote justice in our families, schools, Church, and world.

Calendar Events

Thursday, April 12 4:00 pm Girls only Lacrosse home vs. St. Michaels

<u>Saturday, April 14</u> 6:30 pm School Auction in the Parish Center

Tuesday, April 17 5:30 pm Girls and Boys Lacrosse away vs. Easton

<u>Thursday, April 19</u> 4:00 pm Girls and Boys Lacrosse home vs. Warriors Lax Club

Friday, April 20

Hit the Books Night at Shorebirds (Tickets given out today)

<u>Friday, May 11</u> HSA Family Night in the Parish Center

Saturday, May 12 8:30 am Penguin Run Click for Flyer

Wednesday, May 30 and Thursday, May 31 8th grade play, "Music Ma'am" at SU

Saturday, June 2 7:00-9:30 7th and 8th grade Dance at Holy Redeemer

<u>Tuesday, June 5</u>th 5:30pm Sports Banquet in Parish Center (grades 5-8)

Wednesday, June 6th 6:30 pm Band and Choir Concert

<u>Friday, June 8</u> Field Day-noon dismissal

<u>Saturday, June 9</u> 11:00 am 8th grade confirmation Mass

Sunday, June 10 2:00 pm 8th grade graduation Mass-awards ceremony

From the Principal

<u>Hollywood Nights-</u>Can't wait to see everyone at the school auction! It is our biggest fundraiser. Don't miss out on your child's class project and other great items like NUT days and principal for the day!

Lunch on Friday, April 13-The wonderful decorations committee will be working hard to get ready for the auction. Because of the need for them to be in the cafeteria, students will eat in their classrooms. Please note that there will be limited options for lunch that day. Packing a brown bag lunch is the best idea. We will have the regular hot lunch and milk. There will be no a la carte items like ice cream available for purchase.

<u>Penguin Run-</u>Please <u>click here</u> for registration form.

Vacation Bible School!-June 18-22, 9:00am-12:00. This fun activity is open to students ages 4-12. Contact Angie McLaughlin angie@dennissales.com for more information.

<u>Soccer for PreK and K-Sweet Feet will be providing a soccer program for our tiny students. Please click here</u> for more information.

Home and School Association

Auction, Auction, and more Auction

Mark your calendars for our biggest fundraiser of the year - **Saturday, April 14th**. This year's theme, Hollywood Nights, promises unique silent auction items, delicious food, fun raffles, and more! We're currently running a special for a couple's ticket for just \$50! Use code PARENTSROCK. **Purchase your tickets** <u>here</u> **don't forget to invite your friends!**

If you can't make it to auction but would still like to bid on the awesome packages up for grabs, then please purchase your mobile bid pass. For just \$15 you can be a part of the action too! Use this link <u>here</u> to purchase your mobile bid pass.

A fantastic auction requires dedicated volunteers, so please consider donating your time to help out that night or even beforehand (we need lots of help in the weeks leading up to and even the day before). Don't forget the clean-up crew earns **DOUBLE HOURS!!** Click <u>here</u> to let us know we can count on you to help us!

If your time is limited, there's still plenty of opportunities to support our biggest fundraiser. You can donate an item (or an entire basket) to our very popular <u>Chinese Auction</u>, donate to our silent auction, or sponsor the event (even families can be sponsors!). Please contact our Auction Chair, Brynne Moore, at brynnemoore@gmail.com or 301-980-8681 with questions about supporting this fun event.

Don't forget to visit our Auction's <u>Facebook</u> page to stay up-to-date on our great auction items, sponsors, and specials!

<u>Bingo</u>

A Big Thank You to the McLaughlin family for another fantastic kids bingo evening! They all had an exciting time and it was a fun way to start our Easter/Spring break.

Easter Egg Hunt

Another Big Thank You to Jill Stevenson for chairing the Easter egg hunt. The kids had a great time collecting some sweet treats and toys.

SCRIP

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES FUNDRAISER-SCRIP GIFT CARD SALES

The SCRIP card program is one of the easiest ways you can help our parish earn free money. We purchase the gift cards at a discount and re-sell them for face value, earning a percentage on EVERY card sold. The percentage ranges from 1.5% to 20%.

Nothing EXTRA out of pocket, just your normal spending, but using gift cards instead of your debit or credit card. It helps the parish earn money.

Parents & Grandparents can also help earn tuition back for the kids who are attending St. Francis de Sales School. The child can earn 50% back of the percentage paid.

Planning on eating out this week or weekend? We have the following cards in stock:

ADAM'S TAP HOUSE – SOUTHERN BOY'S – IRISH PENNY - RUBY TUESDAY - PANERA BREAD - RUTH'S CHRIS - RED LOBSTER - OLIVE GARDEN - OUTBACK STEAK HOUSE - TEXAS ROADHOUSE

The kids are asking for new spring and summer clothes? We have many retailers to cover that. GAP, OLD NAVY, AMERICAN EAGLE, KOHLS, MACY'S, SEARS, JCPENNY'S, ETC. We can order many more.

Also don't forget we sell Acme, Food Lion, & Sam's Club/Walmart. Use these for your Easter Dinner.

We do have a few cards that we would like to sell in order to reduce our inventory a little. If you use EXXON for gas please considering purchasing a \$100.00 EXXON card over the new few weeks to help us out.

We also have \$25.00 Bath & Body Works. Get your spring fragrances or Easter Basket items by purchasing a gift card from us.

Thank you!!!

Help us to help our parish do great things.

Send us an e-mail at <u>sflanagan@visitstfrancis.org</u> or call 410-742-8781 to either place an order or volunteer to help or with questions.

Parish Community Partnership

Parish App-Don't forget to download the Parish App to your mobile device. It's a great way to stay connected.