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Principal's Corner

At this time of the year it is always good to reflect on all those things for which we are grateful. We thank you for entrusting to us your most precious gift, your children. We are blessed to work with these children who share their gifts and talents with us daily. We also thank you, the parents, for being partners with us in the education of your children. The supportiveness and encouragement you give us is most appreciated.

Thank you, also, to the parishioners of St. Alphonsus and St. Patrick for the many ways they support our school and for the prayers they offer us. We couldn't do this without them. I am grateful to work with a wonderful staff who so generously gives of their time, energy and love to our students. Their dedication to the ministry of education is heartfelt and inspiring.

Thank you to everyone who generously donated to our food drive. Through your generosity we can and do make a difference in the lives of others.

As we enjoy this Thanksgiving holiday let us remember to give thanks to our loving God who bestows on us our many blessings.

REMINDERS

Friday, Nov. 13: First trimester ends

Turkey Theater

End of Thanksgiving Food Drive

7:00 p.m. Middle School Dance

Sunday, Nov. 15: Football end of the year party.

Monday, Nov. 16: Second trimester begins.

Tuesday, Nov. 17: \$1 Out of Uniform for Missions.

7:00 p.m. St. Alphonsus Reconciliation meeting.

Thursday, Nov. 19: Dress rehearsal for musical "Rock Around the Block".

CHECK OUT E-THURSDAY FOR:

Conference schedule directions

Middle School Dance

"Rock Around the Block" ticket order form

Bakers Square pie information Six Flags Read to Succeed

Black Friday Manna flyer

Tri-parish Advent mission



Friday, November 20, 2015

7:30PM

Performed at Mt. Assisi

Academy

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SHOP Corner

Beginning November 14, the Manna Group is offering several promotions. Please see the Pre Black Friday Bonus Offers Flyer. Keep these offers in mind for your holiday shopping needs. Also, please remember the following important dates. There will be **no SHOP the week of November 23** as there is no school and the last SHOP order for December will be placed on **December 15**. Please take advantage of this convenient way to shop! Orders can be placed online at www.mannaorders.net and gift cards can be obtained using the Manna eScript option.

Thank you, Your SHOP Team

IMPORTANT: CATHOLIC IDENTITY SURVEY

As part of our ongoing accreditation process, parents are asked to complete a survey regarding the defining characteristics of St. Alphonsus/St. Patrick School's Catholic Identity. The link to the survey is:

Parents Pre-k through grade 12 http://www.advanc-ed.org/survey/public/0346778

The survey is to be completed between Friday, November 13, and Friday, November 27. Your completion of this survey is much appreciated.

The faculty has already completed the survey and students will complete one regarding the same topic during their computer class the week of November 16.

St. Al/St. Pat's hosted its 11th annual Chess tournament last week. We hosted 93 chess players!!!! Our club did fantastic in individual competition as well as a team turnout.

Kdg-Grade 1 DIVISION:

Emmett - 5th place

Ivan - placed

Team Kdg.-1st Grade — SECOND PLACE!

Grades 2-3 DIVISION:

Noah - 4th place

Aiden D., Joey, Aidan L. - placed

Team 2-3rd Grade — THIRD PLACE!

Grades 4-5 DIVISION:

Max—3rd place

Zac, Casey, Anne - placed

Team 4-5th Grade — FIRST PLACE!

ST. ALPHONSUS/ST. PATRICK SCHOOL

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Grades 6-8 DIVISION:

Drew - 3rd place
Ian, Matthew and Alex - placed
Team 6-8th Grade — FIRST PLACE!



FSA News! The corner of eThursday where you can keep up with everything going on in our Family-School Association.

Recently... If you joined us last Monday at Gelsosomo's Pizza for dinner: In addition to getting delicious food, great company, and a clean home kitchen, you also have our most heartfelt thanks.

Pie Update: So far, the pie-selling competition has been ruled by **Team Faculty** and the **8**th **Grade Class...** and 8th Grade has regained the lead! Some quick pie facts:

We are currently at only 33% of our goal

The contest ends next week!

Only 11% of our school families have purchased pies

If every family purchases just 2 pie certificates, our goal will be reached

Consider donating a pie: your gift will go to a local food pantry

The <u>Pie Flyer/Order Form</u> is found on the FSA webpage of the school website. If payments are received in the office by Wednesday, your pie certificate can go home in your Thursday folder... there is only 1 Thursday left to get pies before Thanksgiving!

Save the Date! Pancake Breakfast with Santa

Sunday, December 13th

8am-1:30pm

St. Patrick Parish

Please contact any FSA Board Member with questions or concerns.



CONGRATULATIONS

Mario DePasquale of Lemont won the \$1200 Bears Raffle Package! Mr. DePasquale won 4 tickets to the November 22 football game against the Broncos. Not only did he win 4 tickets, he also won a parking pass, plus access to the United Club. Thank you to all who purchased raffle tickets...we sold 182 and earned \$1,820!

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pledged to deliver her distant cousin, rock star Ziggy Springer, for the high school Hippity Hop. To her dismay, Ziggy's manager doesn't want his client performing anywhere without pay. With the scornful Muffin Mansfield keeping her eyes on Gracie's every move, it won't be easy to pull this one off. Loaded with the feel of the era and a fantastic score, you'll see why we call them the Nifty Fifties!

Presale ticket prices: \$7 Adults; \$5 Children/Seniors; \$20 Family (2 parents & Children)

Tickets at the door: \$10 Adults; \$7 Children/Seniors \$25 Family (2 parents & Children)