



# ST. AUGUSTINE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## PARENT BULLETIN

February 16, 2024

**St. Augustine Catholic School nurtures children in their God-centered faith journey, while promoting academic excellence, individual growth, and life-long service inspired by the Gospel.**

**St. Augustine does not discriminate on the basis of gender, race, ethnicity, religious affiliation, English proficiency or disability.**

### PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

Lent is a time of repenting our sinful habits, changing our ways and growing in holiness to prepare for the celebration of Christ's Death and Resurrection at Easter. The road through Lent leads us closer to one another and to Christ. During Lent this year, our students have the opportunity to take part in the Stations of the Cross each week during the school day. Our school will begin participating in the Stations of the Cross together next week. This is truly one of the most special gifts they receive while attending St. Augustine Catholic School. I feel very blessed to take part in this devotion during our Lenten journey together.

The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner Auction is St. Augustine Catholic School's largest fundraiser of the year and will be held on Saturday, March 9, 2024 at the American Legion in Napoleon. **The deadline to purchase dinner tickets is Monday, February 26th.** Rick Small returns for a wonderful night of shenanigans! Tickets are \$35 per attendee and available at the back of church during all weekend Masses, at the school and church offices and during the first 2 Fish Fry's. The second Early Bird drawing was held today and the winner received \$25.00 and a free Treasure Chest ticket. Reserve your tickets before the 2:00 pm School Mass next Friday for your chance to win! Treasure Chest tickets are \$10 each for a chance to win twenty-five gift cards valued at \$25.00 each. If you are able to donate an item to be auctioned, make a monetary donation, or are interested in helping, please contact the school office @ 419-592-3641. We truly appreciate your support and would not be successful without your help!

### THIRD QUARTER PROGRESS REPORTS

Grades 1 - 8: Enclosed is your child's progress report for the 3rd quarter. Please review this with your child, sign, and return in the blue envelope at your earliest convenience.

### 2024-25 REGISTRATION

Re-registration for the 2024-25 school year is held exclusively on OptionC. Enclosed you will find directions on how to re-enroll your child(ren), register new students, and how to complete the Tuition Agreement eForm. All students are eligible for scholarship opportunities. Please complete the appropriate Tuition Agreement eForm (Preschool vs. Kindergarten - 8th grade) to notify us which scholarships you intend to apply. Once completed, appropriate applications will be sent home.

Students entering Kindergarten - 8th Grade are eligible to receive an EdChoice Scholarship for the 2024-25 school year. Scholarship forms are enclosed. If your student received an EdChoice Expansion Scholarship in our current school year, you are only required to fill out the EdChoice Scholarship Program Renewal Form and supply a current utility or gas bill that includes both the Mailing Address and Service Address.

If you are having trouble logging in to your OptionC account, please call us. We can help you through that process.

**Please complete the re-enrollment process on OptionC and appropriate scholarship forms as soon as possible,** so that we may plan accurately for next school year.

## STOLLER FUNDRAISING

Be prepared for Easter breakfast with one of the Butter Braid Pastries from our Stoller fundraiser! Students in 5th - 8th grade are receiving a pamphlet and order form. Their parents will also receive an email with instructions for their child(ren)'s online store. Share it with your family, friends, and community then return your order form with one check to St. Augustine School by Wednesday, February 28th. All proceeds will help our 5th through 8th graders get to Camp Damascus!

## SCHOLARSHIP DONATION/TAX CREDIT

Ohioans can now receive a TAX CREDIT of up to \$750 per individual or \$1500 for married couples, filing jointly, for donations made to a Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO). St. Augustine Catholic School has partnered with the Diocese of Toledo Scholarship Fund for you to take advantage of this opportunity. Your donation can directly impact a family's ability to afford a Catholic Education and help provide a high quality education to more children! Please visit [www.dotsgo.org](http://www.dotsgo.org) to learn how to REDIRECT your tax dollars to scholarships this year, if you donate by 4/15/2024. Donations may be applied to your 2023 taxes, if you have not yet filed them. Please contact the school office with any questions or more information!

## LENTEN RICE BOWLS

Your family's Rice Bowl is included in the blue folder. During this sacred season, we will intentionally slow down so that we can pay closer attention to our relationship with God, our neighbors and our planet. Reflect on how the pillars of prayer, fasting and almsgiving can guide your journey for a more enriching Lenten experience. We ask that the Rice Bowls be returned to the school office by April 8th.

## ECLIPSE SCHOOL CLOSING

Henry County Schools, including St. Augustine Catholic School, will be closed on Monday, April 8, 2024 due to the solar eclipse.

## FAMILY FUN BOWLING NIGHT

Due to illness, we are in the process of rescheduling this night. We will share the date once it has been confirmed.

## MATH-A-THON

Math-A-Thon was held on Wednesday, January 31st during Catholic Schools Week. Monies raised will benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. **Donations are due Friday, February 23rd.**

## ENTRÉES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 19, 2024

*The menu is also available on the school's page of the parish website and in the File Library on OptionC.*

MONDAY - **PRESIDENTS' DAY**  
**NO SCHOOL**

TUESDAY - Hot Chicken Sandwich

WEDNESDAY - Corn Dog

THURSDAY - Walking Taco

FRIDAY - Mac and Cheese



**GRADES K - 8 PERFORMANCES:**  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 20th @ 7:00 PM**  
**SUNDAY, APRIL 21st @ 2:00 PM**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 2/16** Mid-term reports go home 1-8 grade  
**No School Mass**  
5:00 - 6:30 pm Parish Fish Fry
- 2/19** **PRESIDENTS' DAY-NO SCHOOL**
- 2/23** Math-A-Thon donations due  
2:00 pm School Mass
- 2/26** Gr 5-8 Camp Damascus 2nd pmt due  
Auction ticket purchase deadline