



# Paw Prints

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November 13 2014

***“I am Christ in you, the hope of Glory.” – Jesus Calling 11/13***

**Spotlight on Teachers!** This year we are randomly selecting a teacher/staff member each week and are asking the rest of the staff and students to write positive comments on their “wall” we create in the faculty room and their doorway. This week we spotlight Mrs. Karen Henson, 7th and 8th Grade Religion Teacher!

**Donate a Pie** forms were sent home in the Tuesday folder and are due back today! Please return them to the office with a check for \$14 per pie made out to St. Pius X PTG. Thanks for your help!

**Parent Teacher Conferences** are scheduled for **Monday, Nov. 24**. This year we are excited to offer on-line sign ups for grades K - 4! Please go to [http://www.ptcfast.com/schools/st\\_pius\\_x](http://www.ptcfast.com/schools/st_pius_x) and follow the directions to schedule your appointment. You will “sign in” with your e-mail address and a link will be sent to you to continue the scheduling process. Grades 5 - 8 and Enrichment Teachers will be in Milligan Hall and parents are invited to stop by and speak to whichever teachers they would like to. Report Cards will be available at conferences.

**Duke Energy Free Treasure Kits** - Have you signed up for yours? It’s easy! Just go to [www.xmarks.thekit.org](http://www.xmarks.thekit.org) or call 1-855-386-9548. When you receive your kit, look for the special gold coin. It is redeemable for a class party worth \$100. Thanks to the over 80 families who already signed up. SPX is now entered into the \$10,000 school drawing. We receive one entry for every 25 kits ordered after the first 75, so please help us earn several chances at winning!

**Science Fair Judges Needed for Thursday, Nov.20!** Shifts include 7:30-9:40 am, 9:45-11:55 am , and 1-1:45 pm. The 7:30-9:40 am shift has the most projects to judge. Please email Leila Miller at [leilamiller@twc.com](mailto:leilamiller@twc.com) to volunteer. Please include your name, phone number, and times you are available. Grandparents and friends of SPX are invited to judge also! Don’t forget to mark your calendars for public viewing on Nov. 20 at 7 pm!

**Panther Pulse!** Click [here](#) to check out pictures of activities that have been happening at SPX! You can also access the link through our website by clicking on the Panther Pulse heading.

**Market Day** offers quality foods that raise funds for our school! Order online at [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com) by **Friday, Nov.14**. There are over 150 delicious food items for every family's lifestyle from low calorie, low fat and gluten free items to all natural options.

**Activities at Kenton County Public Library, Erlanger Branch on Friday, Nov.14** - Make-It-Take Jewelry program, 4 - 6 pm for all school age students and teens. Kids can bring a friend to make friendship jewelry or early Holiday Gifts. Storyteller at 7:00 p.m. in the Children's Activity Room. Barb Childers is a master storyteller and she will be telling Native American Folk Tales. Click here for a [flyer](#).

**DCCH Center for Children and Families** will be hosting a [Meet N' Greet](#) for the Therapeutic Foster Care and Adoption Program **Sunday, November 16**, from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. Please join us and hear from adoptive parents who will share their experience and perspectives on adopting. Staff will also be on hand to answer any questions you might have. For more information, call Gene Blair at 331-2040.

**Help the Kindergarten build a Castle of Cans!** The annual Be Concerned Food Drive will take place from **Monday, Nov. 17 - Friday, Nov. 21**. We are looking for SPECIFIC items for our food drive this year: Pork 'n Beans, Canned fruit, Canned meat (stew, chili, ravioli), Saltine Crackers, Canned vegetables, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Snack Items and Boxed Cereal. Students should bring items to their homeroom and the Kindergarten will collect them to build their castle. Print a [flyer](#) here.

**NDA Panda FunFest** will be **Friday, Nov. 21**, from 5 - 11:30 pm. It is open to current 8th grade girls. Please contact Katie Caccavari at [caccavarik@ndapandas.org](mailto:caccavarik@ndapandas.org) for more information.

**St. Pius X ACTS Youth Group** is having a Nuke'Em Tourney and Holiday Food Drive **Friday, Nov. 21**, from 6 - 8 pm in the PAC. This event is open to 6th - 12th graders and each student is asked to bring three food items for Be Concerned as an entry fee. See the youth page on the SPX website for more information and to register.

**Congratulations** to eighth graders Riley Crawford and Annie Gronotte, and fifth graders Jaden Siemer and Sara Schutt for their dedication to service in their community. These four students completed an extensive on-line application for the 2015 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards highlighting their service activities. SPX had to choose only one student to move forward, and we selected Riley. Good luck to her in the next level of the competition. All of these students are to be commended!

**Culture Survey** - Thanks to all of you who have already completed our survey to help us better understand the perceptions of St. Pius X School in our community. If you haven't had a chance

to complete it, please click on the link below: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/C9BHSL2>. It will be open until **November 22**.

**Thanksgiving Meals for the Needy** – No Cooking Involved!! Groceries provided for a Thanksgiving feast generally consist of a frozen turkey, vegetable, potatoes, and dessert. For more information or to sign up to buy groceries for a needy family, please contact Danette Doggett at [kadogman@yahoo.com](mailto:kadogman@yahoo.com) or at 344-1235. Meals for assigned needy families will be collected in the church parking lot on Tuesday, **November 25**. Participants are encouraged to pray for their assigned families and include a small note, letting them know that our parish is praying for them.

**St. Pius X Holiday Bazaar** will be held **Saturday, Nov. 29th**, from 12-5pm in Milligan Hall . Holiday shopping complete all in one place with over 37 vendors and free admission! Please click [here](#) for a flyer. Mark your calendars! We hope to see you there!

**BSS Challenge Club** is offering a Pajama Party Babysitting Night on **November 29**. Click [here](#) for more information. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Missy Kelly at 512-2675.

**Service Opportunity** for Edgewood's Annual Tree Lighting event **Sunday, November 30** at the Senior Center. Volunteers are needed at noon to help set up and decorate for the event, or at 5 pm to serve donuts and/or hot chocolate. Please contact Mrs. Frisch at the city building if interested.

**Pro-Life Signatures** - We are collecting signatures for the Many Faces of Life ad that will run in the Enquirer in January. There is a sign up sheet in the church office **through November** or you can call or email Diane at 331-4841 or [dtuemler@gmail.com](mailto:dtuemler@gmail.com) to be included. Suggested donation is \$2 per name or \$10 per family to cover cost of printing the ad. Please join SPX Parish in showing our support of life!

**Annual Christmas Tree Lighting** - The City of Edgewood will hold their annual Christmas Tree Lighting on **Sunday, Nov. 30**, from 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be on hand at 6:00 pm to help light the tree and then be available for pictures by Rudolph and Friends. We will have our annual chili cook-off starting at 5:30 pm, Awtnot the Elf will be entertaining the children, and the hot wheels drag races will be held for ages 0 – 6 years old, 7 – 12 years old and 13 years to adult. Light refreshments will be available. If you have any questions or have students who need service hours, please contact Michelle Frisch at [mfrisch@edgweoodky.gov](mailto:mfrisch@edgweoodky.gov). Click [here](#) for a flyer.

**TMC Winter Wonderland** will take place **Tuesday, Dec. 2** from 4 - 7 pm in the Saints Center - free holiday event filled with activities, food, games, and crafts for children. Live Nativity, pictures with Santa. E-mail Paul Kleier at [pjklei43@thomasmore.edu](mailto:pjklei43@thomasmore.edu) with number of children and adults attending or if you have any questions.

**Birthday Club News** - The second meeting of the St. Pius Library's Birthday Club will be on

**Wednesday, December 3rd** from 2:00-3:15 in the library. Students who have celebrated or will celebrate their birthdays during the months November, December, or January will be receiving an invitation. We hope you will meet your children after school in the library to make a selection, have some refreshments, and be a part of our Birthday Club. Thank you in advance for continuing to help us add wonderful new books to our library shelves!

**Edgewood Night at the Behringer-Crawford Museum** for Edgewood residents. Come out and enjoy the holiday trains and all the other amenities the museum has to offer **Friday, Dec. 5** from 6-8pm. Please bring a canned good donation. If you have any questions or have a student who needs service hours, please contact Michelle Frisch [atmfrisch@edgewoodky.gov](mailto:atmfrisch@edgewoodky.gov). Click [here](#) for a flyer.

**Breakfast with Santa** will take place at St. Joseph in Crescent Springs on **Saturday, Dec. 6**. There are two shifts - 8:30-10:00 am and 10:00-11:30 am. Please make plans to attend this fun annual event sponsored by the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class. You will enjoy a pancake breakfast, Santa's workshop, photos with Santa, and much more! Tickets cost \$7.00 each (check or cash only.) You can visit the school website at [www.sjscrescent.com](http://www.sjscrescent.com) to obtain the ticket form or contact Peggy Henn at [phenn@sjscrescent.org](mailto:phenn@sjscrescent.org) for a ticket form and more information.

**Concession Stand Volunteers Needed** - 8th grade and high school students are welcome and can use this time for Service Hour requirements. We need workers during the basketball season Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 - 8:30 pm and Saturdays from 9 am - 12:30 pm. If interested, please contact Brian McKinley at 468-3295 or [brianmckinley56@gmail.com](mailto:brianmckinley56@gmail.com)

**Paper Retriever Recycling Bin** has been removed from our property because the company has gone out of business. Please recycle your paper products through your home recycling program. We are working on how to continue recycling of paper at school.

**Speak Up 2014** - The Diocese of Covington has asked all schools to participate in this survey so that students, parents, and teachers can share their ideas about the use of technology for learning. The students will complete their surveys, which are done anonymously, during their computer class. We are asking that you complete it at home by going to <http://www.speakup4schools.org/speakup2014> and clicking on the Parent Survey Button. The survey will be open until **December 19**. If you have children in more than one school in the Diocese, you only need take the survey once and select the grade levels of all of your children.

**NDA Spiritwear** makes a great Christmas gift! Click [here](#) for a Bambootique Holiday Flyer.

#### **Save These Dates!**

- **Thursday, Jan. 8 - Bully Proof Speaker**, Jim Bisenius, will be speaking to parents at SPX on at 7 pm. He will also speak to the students during the day and the faculty after school. Please mark your calendars now as we expect at least one parent from each family to attend. Thanks to PTG for funding this wonderful opportunity!

- **Friday, April 17 - Grandparents and Grandfriends Day 2015** from 8 - 10 am here at SPX. Please communicate the date and help us celebrate these very special relationships across generations! More details to follow. Any questions, contact Beth Hagen at [Hagendbosc@yahoo.com](mailto:Hagendbosc@yahoo.com)

**St. Pius X Kroger Community Rewards Update** - Sign up directions were sent home in the Tuesday folder. Please sign up today at [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com) and click on "View your Rewards Details." Under Community Rewards Section, click on "Enroll", enter St. Pius X Organization #80036, click search, select SPX and save changes. Once you are signed up, check the bottom of your receipt to make sure it says "2014-2015 Kroger Community Rewards: You requested Kroger to donate to St. Pius X". Thanks for helping! Click [here](#) for more information.

**Cafeteria Workers Needed** from 10 am - 1 pm every day! Please call Sharon Depenbrock at 341-4900 x104 or e-mail [sdepenbrock@teachers.stpiusx.com](mailto:sdepenbrock@teachers.stpiusx.com) if you can help out.

**Playground Duty Openings!** Teachers need help on the playground during recess. Please sign up to be a recess monitor at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AA5AF22A6FE3-recess>

**Cafeteria Charges** - Please check your child's account and take care of any debts. There is a Diocesan policy on charging found on our website.

**Prayer Group!** Please join school families in the small chapel on the first and third Tuesdays from 10:30 – 11:45 am. Children welcome!

**Does your child like to sing?** - St. Pius X Schola Choir is open to all children of the parish in grades three to seven. Please click [here](#) for more information.

**Kindergarten Cut Off Age Remains October 1st-** The Kentucky Department of Education has plans to change the cut off age for entrance to Kindergarten to children turning 5 on or before August 1st. This was supposed to be effective next school year 2015-2016 but they have delayed the change. Their current plans are for this to be effective beginning the 2017-2018 school year. St. Pius X School kindergarten cut off age remains October 1st.

**Religion Courses Offered** through the Diocese are open to all parents. Go to [www.covingtondiocese.org](http://www.covingtondiocese.org) for a complete listing and directions on how to register.

**Share the Good News!** Help us celebrate the accomplishments of our current and former St. Pius X Panthers. If you come across any articles highlighting current or past students' accomplishments, please send them to the school office or email them to [kbrunot@teachers.stpiusx.com](mailto:kbrunot@teachers.stpiusx.com).

**Remke Reloadable Gift Cards** are available at the school or church office. Kroger Community Rewards program is available by registering your Kroger Plus Card and designating SPX at [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com).

**Diocesan Facebook Page!** - The Diocese of Covington has a Facebook page that shares the good news of our schools with everyone we can. Check out all the exciting things happening in our schools at <https://www.facebook.com/faithfillededucation?ref=hl>. And don't forget that we should only post good things about our school!

**World Youth Day 2016** – Registration is now open for the Diocese of Covington's pilgrimage to Krakow, Poland, July 24 through August 2, 2016! Itinerary, cost, and registration details are included in the [attached](#) pamphlet.

**Lunch Menu** – Click [here](#) for a copy of the lunch menu.

### **Looking Ahead**

Nov. 12-14	Principal Conference/Retreat
14	End 1st Trimester
16	Candidate/Sponsor Night for Confirmation 7 pm
17-21	Canned Food Collection for Be Concerned
19	Skyline Night
20	Health Screening Science Fair Judging Science Fair Viewing 7 pm
21	World's Finest Chocolate Sale - gr. 4 and 8
24	Report Card Conferences 2:30 - 8 pm
25	All-School Thanksgiving Mass 8 am
26-28	No School - Thanksgiving Break

*I hope you have a great week!*

*Mrs. Gerwe*