

Paw Prints

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May 7, 2015

"Fear no evil, for I can bring good out of every situation you will ever encounter." – Jesus Calling, 5/7

Spotlight on Teachers - This week we spotlight Mrs. Stephanie Larcher, 2nd Grade Teacher, and Mrs. Diane Molique, Administrative Assistant. Staff and students are encouraged to write positive comments on their "wall".

Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week - Thanks to PTG and all of you, it has been to be a teacher/staff member at St. Pius X School! We have been spoiled with flowers, appreciation notes, cold and hot breakfasts, lunches, parents taking our classrooms so we could enjoy a marvelous one hour lunch break, a take home meal for our families, and special recognition for our SPX "anniversary" teachers at Mass tomorrow. Congratulations to: Mrs. Judy Gerwe and Mrs. Stephanie Larcher – 5 yrs, Ms. Peggy Kelly – 10 yrs, Mrs. Julie Abeling. – 15 yrs, Mrs. Karen Henson – 20 yrs, and Mrs. Diane Molique – 30 yrs!

BOOK FAIR is Coming! Mark your calendars for the week of May 11th so you can come and visit our Book Fair in the library. Every student will have the opportunity to shop at the Book Fair during their regularly scheduled library time. We invite parents, grandparents, or a friend to shop with the students during their scheduled time. For a complete list of class times, please see the volunteer sign-up sheet on the school website. There will be an online sale open throughout the week so you can shop at your convenience and have access to many more titles carried by the Scholastic company. Please visit the school's website for the link to the online sale. Stock up on some books for your summer reading and help support your school library!

Book Fair Volunteers Needed: Many volunteers are needed for our Book Fair to be a success. If you would like to help with setup or volunteer during your child's library period, please sign up at http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b45aaa62ba46-stpi

Catholic Charities Family Values Spring Newsletter - The final newsletter for the 2014-2015 school year is available here. Please click <u>here</u> for great tips and programs offered by this Diocesan organization.

Girls Volleyball Registration for the 2015- 2016 school year is going on now. Please register at www.stpiusxathletics.com. Click on Girls Volleyball League Fall 2015. Registration will be open until Sunday, May 17th. Evaluations for 3rd grade and 5th grade and tryouts for 6th, 7th and 8th grade will be scheduled the week of May 26th. Details to follow. Questions? Please contact Suzanne Baute at 653-4203 or email clevelandsdawgpound@yahoo.com

Panther Pulse! Click <u>here</u> 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.

St. Pius X Kroger Community Rewards - Our latest check from Kroger was \$ 2,014.28, and we are up to 203 households participating. Thanks so much for your support! The re-registration period is going on now. If you are not signed up already, you can sign up at any time at www.krogercommunityrewards.com. Click here for more information. Please contact Stefanie Reid at 578-9939 or stefa5678@gmail.com with any questions.

CCH Purse Gathering Party on May 12. This is a great opportunity for moms from St. Pius to to connect with CCH parents. The Purse Gathering Party is free and the advance tickets to the event on June 17 is \$25 online http://www.purses4apurpose.com/ or \$35 at the door. Click here for more information

Market Day - Don't forget to order your Market Day for those graduation parties and summer parties. St Pius receives up to 15% of all proceeds from the sale. Orders due online by May 21 at 11:00 pm. Pick up date is Wednesday, May 27, from 4:45pm - 6:00 pm.

Pringles Needed! We are trying a new game at the festival this summer called the Pringle Can Ring Toss and are asking each family to donate one can of Pringles to the festival. Please send them in with your child. Thanks to those who have already sent cans in!

St. Pius Athletic Association will have two spots to fill on the Executive Committee. This is a great way to get involved at St. Pius and interact with many of the other groups at St. Pius. Anyone interested or who has questions should contact Josh Browning at joshuabrowning@gmail.com.

World Meeting of Families - This is the last call to register for the Diocesan pilgrimage to this event that will be held in Philadelphia, September 22-27, 2015. The cost for this event is \$1,595 per person which includes: round-trip airfare, hotel for five nights, breakfast daily, two dinners, motor coach transportation in Philadelphia, assistance from a tour representative and sightseeing. Not included is the conference fee for the World Meeting of Families, which is paid to the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Please call Canterbury Pilgrimages and Tours for assistance, 1-800-653-0017. They have a limited number of rooms left in their hotel block, so call Canterbury Pilgrimages before the transportation end of Mav reserve your and hotel. http://www.worldmeeting2015.org/about-the-event/speakers-2/ for a list of speakers and events. Click <u>here</u> for a brochure.

Cross the Bridge for Life is scheduled for Sunday, June 7 at 1 pm. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

Do you have an old I-Pod or I-Phone? Please consider donating them to SPX. All donated devices will be reset to the factory settings and wiped clean per manufacturer directions. Thanks!

Last Day of School is Friday, June 5, with an All-School Mass and end of year awards. Dismissal will be at 10:30 am. Please try to wait until after that time to start your vacation plans.

Important Dates for Next Year - Here are some dates to help you with your plans for the 2015-16 school year: Open House/Meet the Teacher - Sun., Aug. 16; First Day of School - Wed., Aug. 19; Christmas Break - Dec. 21- Jan 1; Easter Break - March 24 - Apr.1; Last Day of School - June 2.

Summer Safety Tips From Northern Kentucky Health Department - Click <u>here</u> for some good information that might be helpful to you and your family.

Computer Camp- Give your 4th through 8th grade student the wonderful opportunity to write computer games or animate stories this summer. The summer camp programming projects will encourage creative and critical thinking. The two summer sessions are being offered the week of 6/15 to 6/19 at SPX. Scratch programming is from 9:30 to 11:30 for \$90 and ALICE programming is from 12:30 to 2:30 for \$90. The enrollment will be limited to 12 students per session. Click here for a registration form.

Laffalot Summer Camp brings back a little bit of yester-years...Remember when kids played in their backyards? When Eenie, Meenie, Minie, Moe determined teams? Games like "Hide and Seek", "Ghost in the Graveyard", "Kick the Can", and "King of the Hill"? Have your children come join the fun at SPX July 20-24, 9:00a.m. to 2:00p.m. for boys and girls ages 6-12. Cost is \$110, but there is a **promotion running from now until May 7th. If parents key in 8FOR10, they can get an \$8 discount**. The camp session will be directed by Kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Julie Abeling. Online registration available at www.laffalotcamps.com. Come see what the Laff-ter's all about! Click here for a flyer.

NDA Summer Camps - Whether you are artistic, musical, athletic, dramatic or you are just looking for something fun to do this summer, Notre Dame Academy has all sorts of opportunities for you! NDA offers camps in music, art, theater, and athletic camps in basketball, volleyball, archery, soccer and lacrosse. Check out all of the amazing opportunities available at NDA this summer at: www.ndapandas.org.

NDA Archery Summer Camp June 15-17 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The cost is \$70 which covers the use of equipment, instruction, tournament, "string bow," and a camp T-shirt. Boys and girls grades 5-12 are invited to register provided the archer can pull back 12 lbs. The camp will provide beginner and intermediate archery instruction in the National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP) style of target archery. Registration is open now. Email Landern@ndapandas.org for more information.

American Red Cross' Leadership Development Center (LDC) - This four-day, three-night summer camp provides students ages 13-17 a taste of living on a college campus, the American Red Cross' mission and values, leadership, diversity, and a lot of fun! July 9-12 at Xavier University; cost is \$200 with options for assistance. There is an application required (**priority deadline of April 15**, **final deadline of May 15**), and here is a link to learn more about the logistics of camp, and the online application: http://www.redcross.org/oh/cincinnati/local-programs/leadership-development

School of Hoops - Individual Basketball Instruction conducted by Kes Murphy; Coming in June! E-mail keshoops@gmail.com for more information.

Thomas More Summer Basketball Camp hosted by the women's basketball team will be offered for girls 7 and up. The emphasis will be on improving individual basketball skills for all levels. Click here for more information.

Thomas More College Boys Fundamentals Basketball Camp is hosting three sessions this summer. The weeks are June 29 - July 2, July 20 - 23, and July 27 - 30. For times, rates, and all other information regarding these sessions, please contact Drew Cooper at

<u>3drew.cooper@thomasmore.edu</u> or visit http://tmcsaints.com/camps/mbasketball. Click here for a flyer.

CINSAM 2015 Summer Camps at NKU - Rockets, robots, stars and more to explore for your child this summer... Information in the <u>attached</u> flyer. Additional information and registration can be found at http://cinsam.nku.edu/Student-and-Parents/SummerCamps.html

Lakeside Christian Church is offering a Better Baby Sitter and Kidz Home Alone class this summer. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

Youth Group Information- Any 6-8th grade parent who wants to be on the youth group email distribution list please email Ashley Marshall at abb171@gmail.com.

SPX Has An App! We use our SchoolWay app as one way to notify you of important announcements. If you have not had a chance to download the free app from the app store, do it today! See http://myschoolway.com/StPius for more information.

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.

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 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!

Religion Courses Offered through the Diocese are open to all parents. Go to www.covingtondiocese.org for a complete listing and directions on how to register.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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 <u>attached</u> pamphlet.

Lunch Menu – Click <u>here</u> for a copy of the lunch menu.

Looking Ahead

May 8 - Kenton Co. Teen Librarian visits 6th and 8th graders Buddies after Mass

10 - Happy Mother's Day!

11 - Book Fair Week!

12 - PTG Meeting 7:15 am May Crowning 7 pm

I hope you have a great week! Mrs. Gerwe