



# Paw Prints

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June 4, 2015

***“Welcome challenging times as opportunities to trust Me.” – Jesus Calling, 6/4***

**Last Paw Prints** - This is the last Paw Prints of the year. I hope you all have a fantastic summer with your children! I will keep you in my prayers as I move on to my new position. Thanks for the opportunity to be part of your children’s lives and for all the support you have given me over the last five years. I hope to see many of you around at the festival and at Sunday masses.

**Last Day of School** is tomorrow, June 5, with an All-School Mass and end of year awards. A Volunteer Breakfast will follow in the PMR’s. Dismissal will be at 10:30 am. Happy Summer!

**Report Cards and Summer Reading** along with other important information will be available after all Masses the weekend of June 13 and 14. Please stop in the PMR hallway to collect your family name envelope full of “goodies”.

**May Student of the Month and Physical Education Recognition** Congratulations to the students who were recognized this month. Please click [here](#) for a complete list.

**Volleyball Coach Needed for Incoming 3rd grade Girls!** There are 14 girls signed up to play volleyball but I need to have 1 more coach in order to have 2 teams. Team selection will not take place until I have enough coaches. Contact Suzanne Baute at [clevelandsdawgpound@yahoo.com](mailto:clevelandsdawgpound@yahoo.com) or 653.4203.

**Used Uniform Sale** - The Used Uniform Sale will be held this year on Saturday, June 20th after 5pm mass and on Sunday, June 21st after all masses in the PMR’s. **Drop off boxes are available at the school entrance.** Please be sure to label all clean, folded items with the tags provided on the school website. For questions, please email Kelley Hungler at [kelleyk1977@netscape.net](mailto:kelleyk1977@netscape.net) or Crystal Bosch at [crystalbosch@yahoo.com](mailto:crystalbosch@yahoo.com). We NEED volunteers, please click here to sign up: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4DA8A62CABFF2-used>.

**Vacation Bible School** is June 22-26 from 9 am -12:30 pm, with the closing ceremony Friday at 12:30 pm. Grades K-3 will have buddies, 4th graders will be independent with a group leader and grades 5-8 will be buddies. Cost is \$25 for participants, \$15 for volunteers. Please plan to join us as we celebrate our Catholic faith through bible story, snacks, crafts, games, songs and dancing!!! ALL buddies must attend a meeting on Thursday, June 4, from 6:30-7 pm. Any questions, contact Jenny Bent at 801-6813. Virtus trained adults are needed to help.

**New Event!** There will be an Inaugural Panther Wiffle Ball Tournament July 25 & 26, 2015 at the St. Pius Baseball Complex. Click [here](#) for a flyer for more information.

**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.

**St. Pius X Golf Team** - Anyone interested in joining the Golf Team for Fall season of 2015 please contact Mike Frisch at [mfrisch18@gmail.com](mailto:mfrisch18@gmail.com). Current students grade 4-7 are eligible to play. There will be an A and B team with a limit of 24 total players, tryouts may be necessary based on interest. Please note that this is not a beginners program, players need to have a "reasonable" amount of golf experience when they begin playing matches in the fall. We also need Coaches for the A and B teams and volunteers to help with the matches. Information is also available for summer golf clinics.

**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.

**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. The camp session will be directed by Kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Julie Abeling. Online registration available at [www.laffalotcamps.com](http://www.laffalotcamps.com). Come see what the Laff-ter's all about! Click [here](#) for a flyer.

**St. Pius X Chess Club** is looking for new parent leaders! We are looking for 3-4 parents who will lead, plan, and supervise Chess Club. No need to be a chess expert! Chess Club meetings take place twice a month, on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month, after school from 2-3pm. Chess Club is a very special group of students. They are enthusiastic about chess, take pride in their club, and enjoy playing matches with each other. If you would like to organize Chess Club next school year, please contact Gretchen MacKnight [gmacknight1@aol.com](mailto:gmacknight1@aol.com) or Mark Romer at [romer.mark@gmail.com](mailto:romer.mark@gmail.com).

**Summer Solutions** workbooks are great for review over the summer. They have just introduced an app for their program. Go to <http://www.getsmarteze.com> for more information.

**JAM School Program** suggestions for summer: A recent survey shows kids are less active, have inconsistent sleep patterns and overeat during the "lazy" days of summer....all of which cause weight gain. And this weight gain contributes to health risks. National experts encourage parents to shop for and cook healthy meals together, take long family walks after dinner, look for programs that can provide daily routines for children, give kids chores or responsibilities around the house, encourage kids to plan neighborhood activities such as kickball or hide-and-go-seek, help kids start a garden, and limit sweets! The week before school resumes, get kids back on the school clock so they aren't struggling with the adjustment and to assist teachers in a smoother jumpstart to the school year.

**Cross the Bridge for Life** is scheduled for Sunday, June 7 at 1 pm. Click [here](#) for more information.

**REACH Alert** - The City of Edgewood will begin using this program to send out timely information about issues affecting our community. [Registration](#) takes less than a minute to complete and is free!

**Summer Safety Tips From Northern Kentucky Health Department** - Click [here](#) for some good information that might be helpful to you and your family.

**CCH Purses4aPurpose** is planned for June 17 <http://www.purses4apurpose.com/>. Click [here](#) for more information.

**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, and to reserve your transportation and hotel. Go to <http://www.worldmeeting2015.org/about-the-event/speakers-2/> for a list of speakers and events. Click [here](#) for a brochure.

**President's Park 2015 Tuesday Evening Summer Concert** is presented by the City of Edgewood and Hatfield Insurance Agency. Click [here](#) for a list of events.

**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](http://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](mailto:Landern@ndapandas.org) for more information.

**Holy Cross Summer Athletic Camps** - Girls Basketball, June 11 and 12; Boys Basketball, June 15 - 18; Girls Volleyball, June 15 - 18. Click [here](#) 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

[3drew.cooper@thomasmore.edu](mailto:3drew.cooper@thomasmore.edu) or visit <http://tmcsaints.com/camps/mbasketball>. Click [here](#) for a flyer.

**United Way's Day of Action** will take place on Saturday, June 20 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Purple People Bridge. The Day of Action is a fun, free and educational event for parents and elementary school children to help bridge the summer learning gap. Featured programs include an interactive puppet show, painting murals, hip hop dancing, celebrity authors of children's books, science experiments and sing-a-longs. Click [here](#) for a flyer.

**Lakeside Christian Church** is offering a Better Baby Sitter and Kidz Home Alone class this summer. Click [here](#) for more information.

**Young Rembrandts** Drawing Workshops for Grades P-6 - Cartooning Under the Sea (ages 6-12), June 15-18; Rock Out (ages 6-12), June 29-July 2; Horse, Horses and More Horses (ages 6-12), July 13-15; Cartoon Drawings - Alien Extravaganza (ages 6-12), July 27-30; Preschool Drawing - Summer at the Shore (ages 4-5), July 27-30; Super Hero Cartoon Drawing (ages 6-12), August 3-6. Click the following link for more information. [Young Rembrandts Drawing Workshops](#)

**CINSAM** is hosting a variety of camps this summer for students from 3rd - 12th grade! Our summer camps are hosted by NKU faculty and staff on topics in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. Click the following link for more information. [CINSAM Summer Camps](#)

**Fourth of July Extravaganza!** The City of Edgewood has lots of events planned. Click [here](#) for a flyer.

**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](mailto: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 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](http://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](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>.

**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.

*I hope you have a great summer! Thanks again for a wonderful five years.  
Love, Mrs. Gerwe*