



Paw Prints

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Paw Prints is e-mailed to you every Thursday. Please open it and read the bold print to determine if you need to continue reading the items that pertain to you. Thanks!

Important Dates:

Friday 11/20 - All School Mass

Monday 11/23 - Parent/Teacher Conferences 2:30-8:30

Tuesday 11/24 - 8:00 All School Mass

Wednesday 11/25 - No School

Thursday 11/26 - No School - Happy Thanksgiving!

Friday 11/27 - No School

Monday 11/30 - 8:00 Mass (Gr. 1-4)

12:45 Advent Prayer Service (gym)

Wednesday 12/2 - St. Pius X Day at the Edgewood LaRosa's

Click [here](#) for the lunch menu!



Principally Speaking

*For each new morning with its light,
For rest and shelter of the night,
For health and food,
For love and friends,
For everything Thy goodness sends.*

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

Dear Parents,

I want to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a blessed Thanksgiving. Please know that I am thankful for the blessings you and your children bring to my life. Enjoy the Thanksgiving holiday and take time to appreciate all of the ways God has been visible in your life this year.

Yours in Christ,
Mrs. Lonnemann



There will be no Paw Prints next week due to the Thanksgiving break!





Counselor's Corner:

Dear Ms. Rauen,

Since Thanksgiving is next week, I would love to find different ways to talk to my child about giving thanks and helping others. Do you have any suggestions for how I can teach my student all about gratitude?

Sincerely,
Teaching Thanks

Dear Teaching Thanks,

This is the perfect time of the year to talk to your student about what it means to be thankful! Here are just a few ways that you can talk to your child about gratitude:

- **Ask your child about the highs and lows of their school day.** This is an easy way to teach your child the importance of appreciating the positive.
- **Write thank you notes for someone in your life.** Have your child write or draw thank you notes for a friend, teacher, family member, etc. You can use this as an opportunity to point out how others have helped them (ex. holding open a door, helping with an assignment, picking up something they dropped).
- **Thank your child.** Be a good model and tell your child "thank you", even if they are doing a chore or activity you requested them to do. It is important for them to see that you notice and appreciate their effort regardless of the task.
- **Generate an attitude of giving.** Have your child donate any old toys or clothes to other children in need. During the holiday season, it is important for us to remember generosity and helping others in need.

For more information and ideas about teaching gratitude to your children, please visit <http://www.psychologytoday.com/blog/love-and-gratitude/201305/4-ways-children-learn-gratitude>.

Have a question for the counselor?? Email me at nrauen@teachers.stpiusx.com.

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Healthy Tip of the Week:

Eat slowly! It takes 20 minutes for your brain to register that you are full.



What's New in the Classroom?



Sixth Grade

The 6th grade students have been learning about Ancient Egypt in Social Studies. We have turned our classroom into King Tut's tomb and are creating real mummies using hot dogs, apples and celery! Our mummies are currently being preserved in a mixture of salt and baking soda. After 4 weeks they will be removed from their salt mixture, wrapped in linen, and placed in their hand crafted tombs.



Seventh Grade



The seventh grade visited the Dinsmore Homestead in Boone County on November 5. It was a beautiful fall day, and the students enjoyed the activities at the 173 year-old homesite of the James Dinsmore family. Assuming the identities of family members, enslaved persons, and tenant farmers, the students toured the house, played old-fashioned games, and investigated the outbuildings, including the four-seater outhouse. We hiked to the family graveyard then beyond to the hilltop that overlooks the Ohio River valley. The students returned pleasantly tired and filled with memories of an active day.



The 7th graders have been working on systems of the body in Science class. We made models of the respiratory system using water bottles and balloons. The students loved getting a visual of something that seemed abstract, and I loved seeing their learning in action.

Eighth Grade

Mrs. Faye Roch, of the Diocese of Covington Pro-Life Office, came to speak to our 8th graders in October. Mrs. Roch talked about many pro-life issues and gave the students ideas for their Pro-Life essays for the Diocesan competition. Student essays are due this month, and we will see how they fared in the Spring.

The 8th grade is also working with models in Science class - this time, models of molecules and compounds using gumdrops and toothpicks.



**Congratulations to the following students for receiving the
September Subject Award for Religion or the Monthly Exceptional
Christian Behavior Award!**

Christian Behavior Award

Landon Dailey
Chase Fleck
Annie Brockman
Evan Ward
Brooklyn Hungler
Micah Feldman
Chase Kokocinski
Norah Pilgram
Teagan Kruer
John Gribben
Ashley Schuchter
Anna Mayer
Jackson Gronotte
Aislin Ross
Emily Creed
Zoe Doerger
Wyatt Sunday
Oliver Bent
Kennedy Oak
Victoria Heringer
Matthew Armbruster
Collin Gerwe
Drew Kent
Brayden Sanning
Megan Leonard
Nicholas Sandmann
Lydia Lampe

Subject Award for Math

Claire Klaine
Amelia Dreier
Davin Gates
Reid Hartzler
Will Zumbiel-Sowers
Olivia Browning
Jack Fender
Max Brass
Luke Lampe
Tate Kruer
Drake Pollard
Nathan Keneipp
Drew Browning
David Hagen
Bradley Zekl
Zoe Doerger
Abigail Hardin
Dominic Gates
Macie Feldman
Spencer Doerger
Justin Wiehe
Annabelle Sunday
Hope McNickle
Trey Gronotte
Caroline Barlage
Ian Romer
Lilly Dressman

Double D Give Back Bash

Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Monday, November 23rd, from 2:30-8:30. Grades K-4 conferences are by appointment. Visit the St. Pius X website or click [here](#) to sign up. Grades 5-8 conferences will be held in Milligan Hall. Each teacher will have a station and you can move freely from one to another with small lines forming for each individual if a meeting is already in progress. The Teacher Conference Dinner will be held in the PMR's from 5:00-5:45 on Monday, November 23, 2015. Please click [here](#) to sign up. Thanks!

Please join us on **Saturday November 28, 2015** for the 1st annual "Double D Give Back Bash" which is designed to support worthy causes in Northern Kentucky and is a way for both The Drysdales and Doghouse bands to give back to the community that has supported them over the years. The 2015 recipients are **Max Bishop**, a junior at CCH who is recovering from a bone marrow transplant to treat severe aplastic anemia which is a rare bone marrow failure illness and **Shawn Schwarz**, a teacher and volleyball coach at St. Henry High School who is currently being treated for breast cancer. The "Double D Give Back Bash" will take place at the Madison Theatre in Covington, KY from 7PM-1AM. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$25 at the door. You may purchase tickets online at: <http://www.madisontheateronline.com/shows/2015/11/give-back-bash> or learn more about the Bash [here](#). Please join us for an evening with Great Friends and Great Music, supporting Great Causes!!!

Read more about Max and Shawn [here](#)!

Lunch Accounts Need Immediate Attention



We are heading towards the end of the first trimester and would like for you to check your children's cafeteria accounts at k12paymentscenter.com. Presently, we have over \$400 in lunch charges. Some of our children are over the \$15 maximum limit. Per diocesan policy they are served a cheese sandwich. This makes things challenging for the sweet ladies that serve lunch each day. Please contact Sharon Depenbrock if you have any further questions at sdepenbrock@teachers.stibiusx.com.

ODDS AND ENDS-

- **St. Pius X Youth Acts:** Click on the following link if your child wishes to be part of the youth group mass, Nov 22nd (9:30am). We will have a meeting in the PAC afterward for those who wish to attend. Newcomers always welcome (even if you've never attended our events before!)
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/12YbGslwyfIVm92Kz4A97kFh7Bip5ROTLU9yV9K29o3g/viewform?usp=send_form#start=invite
Kids can follow the group's instagram for updates at [SPX_Youth_Group](#)
- **Northern Kentucky Engineering for Kids:** Launch Rockets, Battle Robots and program your own video games! Engineering For Kids winter programs have something for everyone. Register now at www.engineeringforkids.com/nky.
- **St. Pius X School afternoon bus driver needed.** The hours would be Monday - Friday, 1:30 - 2:45. The qualified applicant should have a current CDL license with a passenger endorsement, be Virtus compliant, and a current physical/drug screen. A love for children is a must. If interested, please contact Mrs. Jill Lonnemann, Principal, St. Pius X School.
- **Panda Funfest** for 8th grade girls will be held on Friday, November 20, from 5:00-10:30 . Click [here](#) for registration form and more information.
- **Julie Learning Center** in Park Hills is pre-enrolling for the 2016/17 school year. We offer full and half day programs for preschool aged children and give a discount to all employees of the Diocese of Covington. For information about the center, visit our website at www.julielearningcenter.com and our FLICKR page at <https://www.flickr.com/gp/119084895@N05/VB68h3> or call the director at 859-392-8231 to schedule a tour.
- **City of Edgewood Upcoming Events Information:**
[Home Decorating Contest](#)
[Luminary Night](#)
[Letters to Santa](#)
[Annual Tree Lighting](#)
[Behringer-Crawford Museum Night](#)
- **Admissions Table volunteers** are needed to work during the 5th Grade Girls Basketball season. Each Saturday from 8:15 am - 2:15pm there are two hour shifts to cover. This is a great way for students in grades 5 through high school to earn Christian Service hours and for parents to get involved. We are asking the 5th/6th graders please have a parent supervisor present during their shift. If interested

please sign up here:<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b49a9ad2ea2fe3-basketball> or contact Jill New @ jnewmail26@gmail.com.

- **EQUIP ME:** In your child's Tuesday folder this week, there was a flyer for a program called Equip Me. For every purchase you make from this program, the school will receive points which can be redeemed for the purchase of equipment for the P.E. classes. Thanks for your support of this program. Happy Shopping!
- **Concession stand volunteers** are needed to work during sporting events on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 5-8, and Saturday from 9-1. This is a great way for students in grades 6 through high school to earn Christian Service hours and for parents to get involved. Interested folks can contact **Brian McKinley** at brianmckinley56@gmail.com or **859-468-3295**.
- **Father Daughter Dance** photos are available for download. Please contact Kathy Brunot at kbrunot@teachers.stpiusx.com for link and password.
- **Notre Dame Academy is seeking 8th graders to join their varsity bowling team** immediately. Practices are every Monday from 3:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. at Superbowl in Erlanger. Matches will be on mostly each Thursday starting the first week in November. Matches are scheduled to start at 3:30 p.m. If you are interested please contact the coach, Michelle Wagner at wagnerm@ndapandas.org.
- **Thanksgiving Meals for the Needy - No Cooking Involved!!** What better way to express your appreciation for God's gifts than to provide groceries for a needy family in the Northern Ky. Area during the Thanksgiving season? Groceries provided for a Thanksgiving feast generally consist of a frozen turkey, vegetable, potatoes, and dessert. This is a perfect charitable opportunity for families, work groups, prayer groups, CRHP groups, sports teams, classes, or clubs!! **For more information or to sign up to buy groceries for a needy family, please contact:** Danette Doggett (kadogman@yahoo.com or 344-1235) OR Becky Maschinot (bmaschinot1@gmail.com or 859-426-0523). Meals for assigned needy families will be collected in church parking lot on Tuesday, November 24, 2014.
- **The NKY Saints Wrestling Club** is open to all elementary and middle school students. Practices will be held at Covington Catholic starting next week. This is a great opportunity for youth and middle school students to get involved and learn the basics of wrestling. For more information, click [here](#).
- **Next up for the Enchanted Evening Committee?**
 - Mother/Son NKU Basketball Game on November 21st - mark your calendars now! Click [here](#) for ticket information.

- Holiday Bazaar on November 22nd. If you would like to be a vendor, contact Nicole Niehaus at nniehaus@m4marketing.org. Please click [here](#) for more information.
- As always, save the date for the Enchanted Evening February 13th at Summit Hills Country Club - ticket information coming soon.
- **Playground Duty Openings!** Please contact Kathy Carnes at Kathleen.carnes@dinslaw.com to help out or for more information.
- **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 [attached](#) pamphlet.
- **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.

Discipline for Life

The mission of St. Pius X School is to promote the spiritual, academic, and personal growth of each child by embracing the Gospel values of Jesus Christ. St. Pius X School provides an exemplary Catholic education that helps students to be successful in their families, their communities, and the world.