



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 1/22 - 9:00 All School Prayer Service

Monday 1/25 - 8:00 Mass (Gr. 1-4)

Tuesday 1/26 - 8:00 Mass (Gr. 5-8)

Wednesday 1/27 - Out of Uniform for \$1

Thursday 1/28 - Prospective Family Open House (8:30 am and 12:00 pm)

Friday 1/29 - 8:00 All School Mass

Science Fair and History Day Judging

Sunday 1/31 - Catholic Schools Week Open House 12:30-2:00

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

Principally Speaking

Dear Parents,

What an eventful week it has been! I hope everyone is staying warm! This week marks the anniversary of the passing of Roe v Wade, legalizing abortion. On Friday at 9:00, all diocesan schools will participate in a Right-to-Life prayer service. If you are available, please join us at 9:00 in church followed by Adoration. Prayer is our greatest weapon against the culture of death and disrespect for life so prevalent in our world.

Registration packets are being sent home today with the youngest/only child for in-school families. Please fill in all the necessary paperwork (including eighth grade students) and send in the \$100 per student registration fee to ensure a spot for your child (ren) for the 2016-17 school year. Our annual Open House for families is scheduled for Sunday, January 31, 12:30 - 2:00. We would love to see you there!

Yours in Christ,

Mrs. Lonnemann



Counselor's Corner:

Dear Mrs. Clark,

I heard on the announcements this week that it is National No Name-Calling Week. I was wondering if you could tell me more about this and what I can do to be more respectful to others.

Sincerely,
No More Name Calling

Dear No More Name Calling,

National No Name-Calling Week first started in 2004. It was inspired by the book *The Misfits* by James Howe which is about a group of 7th grade students who are tired of being called mean names at school. When we use hurtful words towards others, we are not showing them kindness or respect. We might think that we are teasing someone or that it's okay when we say "just kidding" but in fact, we are actually bullying them. Here are some teasing Dos and Don'ts:

- **Do:** Be careful of other's feelings.
- **Do:** Ask whether teasing about a certain topic hurts someone's feelings.
- **Do:** Accept teasing from others if you tease.
- **Do:** Know the difference between friendly, gentle teasing and hurtful ridicule or harassment.
- **Don't:** Tease someone you don't know well.
- **Don't:** Tease about a person's body or family members.
- **Don't:** Tease someone who seems agitated or who you know is having a bad day.
- **Don't:** Tease about a topic when someone asked you not to.

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

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Healthy Tip of the Week:

Start the day with a healthy breakfast. It refuels your body and gives you energy for the day.



HAPPY DAY!

Fifth grader Sydney Allen expressed interest in becoming a member of the Catholic Church. After heartfelt consideration and discussions with her family and the priests at St. Pius, Sydney made a profession of faith in the Catholic Church and received her First Holy Communion at Mass at Tuesday, January 19 before her classmates, family, and parish community! Her previous baptism into a Christian faith and the faith formation she has received during her years at St. Pius helped her to prepare for this very special day. Welcome to the Catholic Church, Sydney! We are so honored to have shared this beautiful event with you!



Sixth Grade

The 6th grade spent time reading a narrative non-fiction story about two different modern Native American cultures. They worked hard to determine the similarities and differences between these cultures and our own and came to the conclusion that although our customs may be different in some regards, we have many characteristics and practices in common. The story really emphasized the value of knowing and celebrating your heritage!

Sixth Grade Service

A plea for help was given, and the sixth graders jumped into action! Each year, the Pro Life Committee of St. Pius parish sponsors a baby bottle campaign in which parishioners are asked to share loose change to support the efforts of CareNet, an organization that assists mothers and fathers during pregnancy, especially unplanned ones. The baby bottles contain inserts from CareNet, but needed to be stuffed with deadline information from St. Pius. That's where the 6th graders came into action. As you can see by the picture, they were happy to be of service, being the hands of Christ for our parish! We hope you picked up your baby bottle at Mass!



Seventh Grade

Seventh grade students continue their pursuit of excellence. In science, students have been uncovering the mysteries of heredity and genes. After flipping a coin to determine genetic traits, students created father and mother "monsters". The boys and girls enjoyed the opportunity to combine science and art to synthesize a creation that was concrete, that is, their very own genetically determined monster.

In math, the students used transformations to create tessellating patterns. Their tessellations are displayed in an array ranging from cats and dogs to snowmen to Sponge Bob. Students also applied their knowledge of linear equations to design paper versions of stained glass windows.

Five seventh graders were recently recognized during memorial celebrations in honor of the birthday of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Lauren Davey, Mrs. Donelan's homeroom, was recognized Sunday, January 17 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption in Covington. She read her winning essay, "Martin's Dream for the Future, My Dream for Tomorrow", selected from among all middle school entries in the Diocese. The Most Reverend Bishop Roger J. Foys presided over the prayer service.

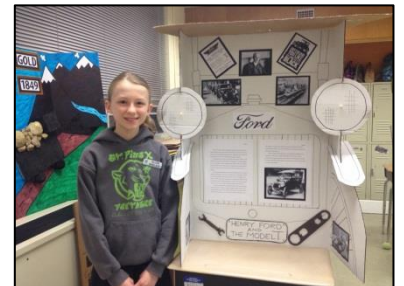
Four other St. Pius seventh graders were honored for their Dr. King essays and poetry in Frankfort, January 14. Tre Lohre earned second place at the state level for his Dr. King memorial essay. Jenna Danneman placed first for her Dr. King poem, Emma Pohlman, second place for poetry, and J.J. Kampinga, third place poetry. These four students are in Ms. Wurtenberger's homeroom. Their awards were presented by Kentucky's Lieutenant Governor Jenean Hampton. Congratulations, Seventh Grade Authors!



Eighth Grade

The 8th grade has been hard at work on their National History Day projects. This year's theme is Exploration, Encounter, Exchange in History. The project included doing research on a topic and addressing that topic in regard to explore, encounter, and exchange. In addition to the essay, the students created a poster using primary and secondary sources and then will give oral presentations on January 29, 2016.

Winners will be selected to compete at the Diocesan Competition and regional History Day Competition. Eighth Grader Ellen Barlage displays her project on Henry Ford.





St. Pius X Enchanted Evening

The SPX PTG is proud to present the **3rd Annual Enchanted Evening!** This is a chance for SPX supporters to gather together and enjoy a night of cocktails, raffles, auctions and dancing...all while giving back to our school! Lisa Cooney from WLWT will be our Master of Ceremonies.

Snack on Chicken and Hamburger Sliders, Roasted Redskin Potatoes, Risotto Balls with Marinara, Stuffed Mushrooms, Bacon Wrapped Dates and more delicious food while perusing our silent auction and sipping on your favorite beverage from the Full Open Bar.

Can't make it or want to give more? Send a Faculty member? Purchase a faculty ticket (\$50) and we'll draw a name from a hat to award them with complimentary admission.

Please join us on February 13, 2016, at 7:00 pm at Summit Hills Country Club!

Tickets are now available online!
Click [here](#) to buy your tickets.

Upcoming Events



Family Literacy Series

St. Pius X invites you to our **Family Literacy Series**. Our first event, on **February 4th from 7-8:15 pm in the Parish Meeting Rooms**, is called ***Raising Better Readers***. The keynote speaker, Anita Calo, is an Orton-Gillingham practitioner at the Children's Dyslexia Center of Cincinnati. She will speak about the five elements of reading: phonemic awareness, phonics, vocabulary, fluency, and comprehension, and will illustrate how parents can assist in helping their children become better readers and develop a life-long love of reading. As a mother of a dyslexic child and a former classroom and Montessori teacher, she will share her personal journey as she works to help her students and her daughter reach their personal best academic levels. **Please RSVP to Heather Isler at heatherisler@gmail.com.**



Science Fair

Judging will be held on Friday, January 29th in Milligan Hall at 10:25 and 12:55. **We are in desperate need of judges!** Please email Leila Miller at leilamiller@twc.com or call at 859-359-4031 to sign up to judge!

Science Fair projects will be in Milligan Hall on January 31 during Open House for families to view. Please stop by and see the students' hard work!



Out of Uniform! \$1 Wednesday, January 27th

The Enchanted Evening will be sponsoring an out of uniform day for \$2 on January 27th. Proceeds will go towards the final touches on our auction items and prizes.



The 2016 St. Pius X Summer Festival Committee invites you to a **PRE-LENTEN PARISH DINNER ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5th, 5:00 - 9:00PM IN MILLIGAN HALL**. Hot and delicious spaghetti dinners will be available for dine-in or carry-out. Purchase your Grand Raffle tickets at the Parish Dinner and be entered to win a *Super Bowl 50 Party Crate* to be awarded that night. Proceeds to benefit the family of Alex Erpenbeck. Click [here](#) for more information.

St. Pius X Kroger Community Rewards - Winner & Request for Help!

Congratulations to **Ms. Sue Nie** for winning the **\$20 Kroger Gift Card** this quarter! All you have to do to win is be a *current* member of this program, and, be randomly selected.

Our latest check from Kroger for the period August 1, 2015 - October 31, 2015 was **\$2,170.35**. We are at **190** households participating for St. Pius X. Thank you so much for your support! This number is good but can always improve. More households = more donations to the St. Pius X building fund.

It's time to spread the word again. *If you would be willing to help making calls* to parishioners about this program, please email or call Stefanie Reid at stefa5678@gmail.com or 859.578.9939.

Enroll/re-enroll at www.Kroger.com/communityrewards. Thank you for your support!

St. Pius X Annual Basketball Tournament



The St. Pius X Athletic Association is hosting the annual St. Pius Boys and Girls Basketball Tournament February 6-21, 2016 for grades 3rd-8th. In addition, along with the Moorhead family, the Athletic Association will host the 20th Annual David Moorhead Memorial 6th Grade Tournament January 29-31 and February 5-6.

- The tournament is in need of **sponsors to advertise** in the tournament program. Ads do not have to be business related. Encouraging ads for players and teams fit nicely in the program. Please contact Ryan Ward at ryan.w.ward@medtronic.com for more information.
- Volunteers will also be needed for the **concession stand**. We currently have available times for several different slots and plan on adding the remaining slots next week. Please use the following [link](#) to sign up or reach out to Brian McKinley directly if you would like (brianmckinley56@gmail.com or 859-468-3295).
- Volunteers will also be needed for the **admission gate**. Please contact David MacKnight at davidhmacknight@aol.com or Michael Aytes at dma8s@yahoo.com if you would like to help.
- For **general information** regarding the tournament, please contact Jack Lenihan at jacklenihan@fuse.net. The tournament is a big fundraiser for the Athletic Association and the David Moorhead Scholarship. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

ODDS AND ENDS-

- **St. Pius X Boys Volleyball** - Signups are now open for the upcoming season of boys volleyball. It is open to boys in grades 3-8. The season usually last 6-7 weeks with games starting in March. You can sign up online at www.stpiusxathletics.com through Friday January 29th. If you have questions, please contact Michelle Frisch at Mfrischfamily5@gmail.com.
- **St. Pius X Baseball** - We will be having an informational session this Sunday from 1:00 - 2:30 in the PMR's for anyone interested in signing up for baseball this year. There will be some of the coaches there and you can understand what leagues are available to play in. We will also help with sign ups if you need it, especially anyone not sure what group you should sign your son up for. You can also sign up online at www.stpiusxathletics.com.
- **St. Pius X Softball** - Sign ups are now open for any girls interested in playing softball at St. Pius. You can sign up online at www.stpiusxathletics.com. The sign ups will be open through February 21st. There are three age groups: 8u, 10u and 12u. If you have questions you can come to the baseball information session this Sunday in the PMR's from 1:00-2:30 and get information regarding softball as well. If you have questions before that you can contact Michael Bosch at mjbosch1@yahoo.com.
- **Girls Basketball Admission Table Volunteers needed!** Volunteers to work the admissions table for the 5th Grade Girls basketball League are in need. Please click [here](#) to sign up. Thanks!
- **Calling All Models!** The 13th annual Americal Girl Fashion Show model calls benefitting the Aubrey Rose Foundation will be taking place at Mary Riesenber's Studio fo Fance on Saturday, February 6, from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. Please see [flyer](#) for further information.
- **Cafeteria Volunteers Needed!** Volunteers are needed to help serve lunch in the cafeteria during school hours. You must be **Virtus Trained**. Hours are 10:00 a.m. till 12:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. We welcome Parents & Grandparents. Please contact Sharon Depenbrock @ [859-341-4900 ext 104](tel:859-341-4900) or email @ sdepenbrock@teachers.stpiusx.com.
- **City of Edgewood Upcoming Events:**
 - [Winter Fitness](#)
 - [Skate Nights](#)
 - [Boys Volleyball](#)

- **Learn more about ACEO Scholarship Information Meeting** for the 2016 Reds season [here](#).
- **Next up for the Enchanted Evening Committee?**
 - 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.