



# SAINTS WEEKLY

St. Augustine School spreads the good news by Navigating a Christian course, Educating body, mind, and spirit, Worshipping the Lord, and Serving others.

October 12, 2018

## Principal's Message

-Mrs. Lenn

Halloween is rapidly approaching! On Halloween, students may wear their Halloween costume over their uniform on October 31. Toy knives, guns, or weapons are not allowed. No masks, please. We are planning our Halloween costume parade, as usual. More details will be coming soon.

I'd like to invite all families to a very special all school mass on Monday morning at 8:00. Our school and parish has been granted the opportunity to host a relic of Blessed Solanus Casey. At mass on Monday, students will have a chance to venerate the relic. They have been reviewing what they already knew about about Fr. Solanus this week in preparation for this special mass, as well as learning about the importance of relics in the Catholic Church. Please be sure your child is on time for school on Monday and dressed in proper uniform. Learn more about Solanus Casey [here](#).

Altar server training is coming up this weekend! Information was sent home earlier in the week. Any student interested in being trained must attend BOTH training sessions on **October 13 AND 27 from 9:30-12:00 in Room 7 of the old school**. At least one parent must attend the session on October 13. In order to become altar servers, students must be baptized and have celebrated their First Holy Communion. For questions, please contact Therese Stier at [t\\_stier@comcast.net](mailto:t_stier@comcast.net).

IOWA and religion testing are wrapping up. There are still tests being made up due to absences, and some religion testing that needs to be finished. We appreciate the hard work of all our students during testing!

Our music teacher, Ms. Mantey, is starting to prepare students for the Advent Program. If students (2-8) are interested in auditioning for parts, they can find resources to use for practicing at this website: <https://kaylamantey.wixsite.com/music>. Auditions will take place in class. We are still working to schedule a place to have our program, so the date will be announced soon.

Permission slips were sent home on Thursday for the Blue Water Vicariate Carnival during Catholic Schools Week. Even though this event doesn't take place until January, there is a tremendous amount of planning and preparation involved, so we collect the permission slips early so that planning may begin. Students will use their t-shirts from last year (each grade had a different color). Please check to see that you can find your child's t-shirt if they had one from last year. New students will need to order a t-shirt, which will be done on the permission slip. The shirts need to be ordered now, when the slips are turned in. Permission slips and money are due on October 17.

Parent-teacher Conferences are approaching. The sign up genius link for parents to sign up for conferences will be sent home during the week of October 22. As the end of the marking period draws closer, please be sure to check your child's grades on TeacherEase. October 26 is the last day of the marking period, so all work needs to be completed before that date. If you have questions regarding your child's grades, be sure to check with their teacher.

The girls' Volleyball team had a victory on Monday against MCA, and a loss on Wednesday against Holy Cross. They finished their season in second place in the Vicariate league! The volleyball team will play in a two day tournament next week at Holy Cross on Tuesday & Wednesday. If you can, come and support the team! The tournament will wrap up their season. The Cross Country team had their final meet on Thursday. Rebecca Shrodes placed 3rd in JV girls and Brandon Ziehmer placed 3rd in JV boys. Veronica Shrodes placed 1st in Varsity girls and Tyler Lenn took 1st in Varsity boys. Great job to both our Volleyball and Cross Country for great seasons! We are very proud of all of our athletes! Go Saints! Sports pictures for Cross Country and Volleyball teams will take place on October 22 at 3:15-4:30 in the Parish Hall. Athletes will wear their uniforms for pictures and then

turn them in after they get their picture taken, so please be sure the uniforms are clean. Picture forms will be sent home soon.

**Girls Volleyball team 2018**



**Cross Country Team 2018**

The final deadline for ALL auction donations is October 24. Donations cannot be accepted after that date because the items will have been recorded, labeled, and printed in the program. All families are required to donate a \$50 item. If you have not yet donated, please fulfill this requirement by October 24. Also, remember to get your Auction tickets!!! Tickets continue to be sold in the office. The cost is \$40, which includes dinner, dessert, and open bar. Be sure to get your tickets soon, as they are selling quickly!

Have a great weekend! Next week will be a short week for students, as the staff heads to Grand Rapids for the Michigan Association of Non-Public Schools 2018 Conference. We are looking forward to gathering with other non-public school staff and learning new things! Please keep the staff in your prayers for safe travels. Thank you.

#### Upcoming dates to know:

- Oct. 13- Altar Server Training, 9-12 in room 7
- Oct. 15-19 **IOWA and Religion Testing Window (final week)**
- Oct. 15- **SPECIAL ALL SCHOOL MASS with the RELIC of BLESSED SOLANUS CASEY**
- Oct. 16-17- **Volleyball Tournament at Holy Cross**, start time 5:30 on 10/16, 6:00 on 10/17
- Oct. 17- **Vicariate Carnival permission slips due**
- Oct. 18 & 19- **No School-** (Teachers are attending a conference)
- Oct. 22- **Picture date for Cross Country and Volleyball pictures 3:15-4:30**
- Oct. 22- 8th grade shadow day at Cardinal Mooney
- Oct. 23- Fire Safety Presentation for K-5 grades
- Oct. 23- **School Advisory Committee Meeting**, 7 pm
- Oct. 24- **FINAL DEADLINE FOR ALL AUCTION DONATIONS!!!!**
- Oct. 26- End of first marking period
- Oct. 26- **PTC Trunk or Treat, 5-8pm**
- Oct. 27- Altar Server Training, 9-12 in room 7
- Oct. 28- **Cardinal Mooney Open House**, 1-3 pm; for 6-8th grade families who are interested- please pre-register here: <https://bit.ly/2vPAcLX>
- Oct. 31- No school mass due to Halloween
- Nov. 1- All school mass (All Saints Day); **Half day, dismissal at 11:30**, no pm latchkey or bus service; **Parent Teacher Conferences**
- Nov. 2- **NO SCHOOL**
- Nov. 9- **School Auction Dinner, 5:30 pm at Maniaci's**