



Roadrunner Newsletter

January 31st, 2018

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School News

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Families,

Happy Catholic Schools Week!

We experienced our best attended Open House in recent memory this past Sunday; thanks to all who helped out, especially the student volunteers.

I am writing you today to let you know that the following teachers have informed me of their decision to retire at the conclusion of this school year:

- Ms. Ariel Judge, Computer/Technology teacher
- Mrs. Diane Cooper, Lead Pre-K teacher

- Mrs. Sue Jones, 1st Grade teacher

In the coming weeks, I will ask them to share their own personal thoughts and a chance to say goodbye.

In addition, the following teachers will be going on maternity leave in the near future:

- Mrs. Carey Riggio, 2nd Grade teacher
- Mrs. Holly Keefer, 1st Grade teacher

I am already working on filling these positions and I will keep the parent community informed along the way.

Sincerely,



Michael Cantu,
Principal

Auction Items Due this Friday, February 2nd/Auction Basketing Happening February 10th

If you haven't yet turned in your auction item, it must be in the Development Office by this Friday, February 2nd

Interested in helping with Basketing? It's a fun way to get a preview of the Auction items and get your Volunteer Hours and Development Event Requirement taken care of. Sign up below. Space is limited, so sign up early.

[Basketing Volunteering](#)

Registration Information

Incoming Kindergarteners

Families with an incoming Kindergartener: please mark your calendar for Saturday, March 10. All incoming Kindergarteners must attend the "Kindergarten Readiness Screening Day". Contact Jill Eaton in the school office to receive your "Parent Input Form" that must be completed and turned in by February 13. All incoming Kindergarteners must attend this day!

Re-registration Packets will be coming home tomorrow

THE DEADLINE FOR RETURNING REGISTRATION PACKETS IS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13. If you have a graduating 8th grader with an incoming sibling, please contact the office to receive a registration packet.

St. Anthony School Distinguished Alumni

During Catholic Schools Week, we honor a St. Anthony School graduate with the National Catholic Education Association Distinguished Graduate Award. The graduate selected is a person who has made a contribution to American life and/or the Catholic Church.

The 2018 Distinguished Graduate Award recipient is Ellen McCormick. Ellen graduated from St. Anthony School in 2002. She attended Kennedy Catholic High School and went on to receive her BA Degree in Religious Studies from Chaminade University in Honolulu. After graduation, she became a Religion teacher at Eastside Catholic High School and has been teaching there for 8 years. In 2016 she earned a Master's in Teaching from Seattle Pacific University.



Ellen's many accomplishments during her career at Eastside include:

- implementation of Community Service and World Cultures courses,
- served as a community service advisor
- served as a coordinator of Peace and Justice Day where the entire student body goes out into the greater Seattle and Eastside areas to volunteer in schools and food banks.

She also chaperoned 2 trips to Skid Row in Los Angeles and the Lower 9th Ward in New Orleans, organized their Shoeboxes of Joy, co-leads the Senior Class Emmaus Retreat each year, mentors new teachers, is the Religion Dept. Chair, does on-going curriculum development for the 9th and 10th grade and yearly attends development conferences and workshops to enhance teaching and classroom management skills.

In the award process, Ellen was asked to state her beliefs about Catholic Education.

"Catholic Education creates an environment for intellectual, physical and spiritual growth among students. It nurtures the unique talents each individual student brings to the school community and provides them with a safe place to explore those talents and, when needed, to gracefully make mistakes and learn from them. Catholic education offers a place (inside and outside the classroom) for honest dialogue; a place for students to carefully examine and encounter the world they live in, so they are prepared to make an impact as engaged, global citizens. I firmly believe that Catholic Education plants seeds in the minds and hearts of students and, even if those seeds do not begin to grow during their teenage years, those seeds sprout over time and flourish into a spirit of gratitude, justice, advocacy, and stewardship within the various callings and vocations that students find themselves drawn to in their adult lives. Catholic education nurtures the minds, bodies, and souls of students inside, and outside of, the classrooms."

As you can see from her many accomplishments in 8 short years, Ellen McCormick is truly deserving of this award. We are very proud of Ellen. We congratulate and thank her for all she does in Catholic Education.

Save the Date

This Year's Fitness-a-Thon/Jog-a-Thon Pledge Drive is

February 20th - March 9th
Information will be coming home on the 20th
The date of the actual Jog-a-Thon will be at the end of
May, to take advantage of better weather.

Quick Flu Tips for Parents
Know the signs and symptoms of flu

The main flu symptom is a fever. A fever is 100 F or higher. Other symptoms may include

- cough
- sore throat
- body aches
- headache
- chills
- fatigue



Sometimes people also have diarrhea and vomiting.

If you have the flu or flu-like illness, stay home for at least 24 hours after the last vomiting episode and/or after a fever has passed without the use of fever-reducing medications (i.e. Tylenol, Ibuprofen, cold medications, etc.). You are contagious during a fever and one full day after it is gone, so it is important to stay home from school, sports practices, games and other social activities to prevent the spread of illness.

Plan ahead for backup childcare.

Catholic Schools Week
Sunday, January 29th - Saturday,
February 3rd

Remainder of the Week Activities



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1st – FACULTY AND STAFF APPRECIATION DAY

Thursday is our day to honor our Faculty and Staff. Students will all participate in a special activity led by Mr. Cantu in the morning that will allow them the opportunity to thank their teachers for all they do. In addition, the PTC will treat our faculty and staff to a potluck. Parents, please consider writing a short thank you note to teachers/staff at the school that day to show your appreciation (please no gifts).

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd – STUDENT APPRECIATION DAY!

We have spent the week thanking parents, teachers, staff, the community and the Parish. Today is the day to thank our students!

We are lucky to have two additional Principals to help us do this, Mr. Joshua and Jacob K. They will join the faculty and staff in a day of fun surprises to thank our students for making our school the joyous place that it is. By directive of the Principals, there will be Free Dress this day for the entire school.

From Previous Newsletters

Yearbooks

Yearbook order forms should have come home in backpacks earlier this week (there are extra forms in the School Office). Please return your orders by Friday, February 9th. There will be a limited number available at the end of the year, however, the price will jump from \$17 to \$25.

Earn a Free Dress Day: Wear your Uniform to Mass

Help us get the word out about our school to local parishes by having your students wear their uniform to mass on certain weekends. The schedule is below. If students wear their uniforms, they will earn a free dress day (on a date that will be determined in the future).

St. Stephen the Martyr Parish: the weekend of February 3rd and 4th

Thanks for helping us get the word out about our school.

We Care Kits

Starting January 16th, the St. Anthony School We Act Committee will be organizing a project called "We Care Kits." We are asking every grade to contribute supplies for those less fortunate. These kits will be handed out at the St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank mid-February.

Please donate to your child's classroom by February 6th.

What your grade can bring:

- **Pre-K:** baby socks
- **Kindergarten:** baby wipes
- **1st grade:** hand sanitizer
- **2nd grade:** knit hats
- **3rd grade:** toothbrush or toothpaste
- **4th grade:** small flashlights
- **5th grade:** small stuffed animal
- **6th grade:** gloves
- **7th grade:** adult socks
- **8th grade:** deodorant
- **Teachers and staff:** reusable grocery bags

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

The We Act Committee

Picture Submissions for the Yearbook Links

Ways to submit pictures for the Yearbook

[Dropbox Picture Request for the 2017/2018 School Yearbook](#)

[School Annual Yearbook Picture Submissions](#) (our St. Anthony School code is 409163617 if you are asked.)

Or you can always just **email your photos to mccoy@sasr.org**.

Parent Groups

From The PTC

Staff and Teacher Appreciation Luncheon is this Thursday, February 1st

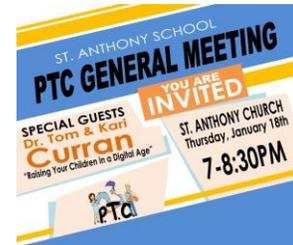
Our second Staff and Teacher Appreciation Luncheon is this Thursday, February 1st. The theme is "A Winter Wellness Healthy Soup/Hearty Stew" and we are looking for great cooks and volunteers to stir up a delicious pot of goodness for our amazing school team. To sign up, click on the SignUp Genius link below:

[Staff and Teacher Appreciation Luncheon](#)

PTC General Meeting Survey

If you attended the meeting, please take a moment to fill out a brief survey to let us know what aspects you liked and where we can make improvements:

[PTC Survey](#)



PTC Contact Information

We want to hear your ideas for building our community and hear any concerns you have. Email the PTC at ptcsaintanthonyschool@gmail.com.

Our PTC mission (and my vision) for this school year is to **WORK TOGETHER** in **GROUPS** at every single Event and to **Build our Community** by embracing **ALL FAMILIES** and Celebrating our diversity. We will put into practice our theme "Christ, be our Light."

God Bless you!

Erika Gutierrez

St. Stephen the Martyr Parent's Club (SSPC)

St. Stephens Families

In celebration of Catholic Schools Week let's show our appreciation to the parish by **stocking the shelves of the St. Stephens Food Bank**

Bring your items to the Narthex of any Mass February 3rd and 4th

St. Stephens the Martyr

Questions: contact Phuong Truong (phuong.truong@gmail.com) or Julie Tobin (julie.tobin@comcast.net)



Food Drive



Suggested Items

Column – letter of Family last name

A-H	I-P	Q-Z
Peanut Butter	Ramen Noodles	* Paper Towels
* Juice	* Cleaning Supplies	* Sugar
* Laundry Detergent	* Chili	Hot Chocolate
* Jelly	Pasta	* Hot Cereal
Beans (canned or dry)	* Pasta Sauce	Cold Cereal
* Rice	Macaroni & Cheese	Body Soap
* Instant Mashed Potatoes	* Canned fruit	Toothbrush
Pancake Mix	Rice-A-Roni	Toothpaste
* Pancake Syrup	* Coffee	* Deodorant
Canned Tuna	Paper Towels	Kleenex
Hamburger Helper	Milk (powdered, soy)	Shampoo
* Canned Meat	Toilet Paper	Napkins

* Items most in need

Daddy Daughter Dance
Saturday, February 3rd
6:30 to 8:30 pm
St. Stephen the Martyr Social Hall

[Download a Ticket Order Form](#)

Grandfathers, uncles or special friends may also attend with students. The dance is open to all St. Anthony School girls.

Please note: Ticket orders sent to the school after Wednesday will be available at the event under "will call."

From the Active St. Anthony Parish Parents (ASAPP) Group

Italian Dinner Thank You!

We want to thank all of the ASAPP families that donated wine/supplies, or worked at last Saturday's ASAPP Italian Dinner (set-up, serving, cooking, clean-up, etc.). Among those who helped we want to thank: Chris Anderson, Eric Postle, Melissa Hull, Maria Mendez, Sonia Galdamez, Kelly Thibodeau, Jesus Lopez-Guisa, Roberta Jacobs, Brian and Elma Ball, Ed Liming, Myra Estaris, Melyssa Schug, Trina Beatty, Pamela McConville, Christine Tomalik, Roman Antolin, Lynne and George Shioyama, Hoan Phan, Ginger Findley, George Auslander, Staci Khaldi, Jonte Taylor, Terry Mendoza, Rose Rac, Cassie Sesti, Dionne Palermo, Erika Gutierrez, Rebecca Feigenblatt, Candy Capinpin, Kathy Wong, Debbie Suchoski, Sarah Varona, Catherine Costales, Janet Barker, Erin Bouchez; Michelle Xavier, Sachia Tinsley, Scott Cory, Rodriguez family; and students: Quentin B, Michael M, Isabella M, Hannah A, Jordan E, Samantha S, MacKenzie S, Elise P, Ella B, Emily C, Sarah T, Paige N, Cole G, Reid G, Elaine S, Adam F, Evan D, Roman A, Sedona L, Zachary E, Adam N, Tomas V, Anthony C, Eric B, Nathan P, Samantha T, Rennie N, Molly M, Joselyn B and Shane M.



Please forgive us if we left anyone off the thank you list (note – we were unable to track everyone that donated wine)!

We appreciate the wonderful marinara sauce from Peyrassol Cafe and Angelo's Italian Restaurant, Spumoni ice cream from Springbrook Farms, Inc., and the beautiful accordion music of Jim Guiliani. Lastly, a huge thank you to everyone that attended the event. The evening was a great success and so much fun!

The families at the Harambee night shelter also enjoyed a warm meal and appreciated the thoughtfulness of St. Anthony Parish Families to pass along our surplus. Thank you so much for your support!!!

Upcoming ASAPP 2017-2018 School Year Events/Activities

- Sunday Mass Coffee/Donuts: February 11th
- Pascal Feast: March 29th
- Sunday Mass Coffee/Donuts: April 15th

We appreciate everyone who has signed up to indicate initial interest in our ASAPP activities. If you haven't had a chance to do so, please sign up at the link below and we will contact you as we begin our planning activities. (Note: Separate sign up links will be sent for these events/activities throughout the year to obtain commitment for specific volunteer needs – signing up in the link below just indicates your general interest in supporting the event.) Thank you! www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C094CAEA72AA4FB6-20172018

CYO News

Baseball Registration Due This Friday

To all parents who have children in 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade: registration is now open for the **2018 St. Anthony Baseball Season**.

To download the baseball registration form, go to the [St. Anthony CYO Website](#)

If you have any questions regarding St. Anthony baseball, please contact Baseball Coordinator, Chris Covello, at zarg232000@yahoo.com.

The registration deadline is this Friday, February 2nd.
GO ROADRUNNERS!!!



Basketball Playoffs

Congratulations to all the teams and their coaches for this great Basketball season. A special congratulation to our 3 playoff teams.

- 8th grade boys
- 7th grade boys
- 6th grade girls

Playoff games are listed on the [Team Sideline Website](#). If you can make it to any, come out and cheer on our Roadrunners

Community

This week's Parish Activities

ARISE is coming to St. Anthony Parish throughout the entire month of February! Interested in signing up to serve or to learn more about this ministry? Sign up [here](#) or contact Alyssa Beasley at alyssa@st-anthony.cc or by phone at 425-277-6208.

Catholic Advocacy Month will be held on Wednesday, February 21st. Registration is early this year – must sign up by February 2nd. Sign up [here](#).

Soup Suppers will be taking place on Friday's throughout Lent, beginning Feb. 16th. Great opportunities for families to gain service hours! Interested in making soup or serving?? Reach out to Glenda Johnson at glendaluj@yahoo.com for more information.



*Wednesdays | 6:00p - 8:00p
@ Parish Hall*



[St. Anthony Parish Formed Information](#)

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