

Dear Parent/Guardian,

September 11, 2013

St. Hilary School and Parish has been quite a busy place. Thank you to all the families who joined the faculty, staff, and me for our Back to School Night. We appreciate your support and willingness to work as partners with us during your child's educational journey.

The Men's Club hosted a very successful Pig Roast on Friday. Thank you to Mr. Darryl McNabb and the Men's Club members for a fun relaxing evening to spend with families and friends.

Saturday began with the St. Hilary Golf Outing. A special thanks to Mr. Andre and Mrs. Hopkins who hosted this event. It was a beautiful morning for a fun round of golf. Then there was nonstop entertainment and incredible food as St. Hilary celebrated their 2nd Annual International Fest. A great big thank you to Mrs. Wyvetta Farfan, Mrs. Sally Scarpelli, Mr. Richard Batista, Mrs. Julie Kogen and the incredible committee for an awesome day and night. The number of people who volunteered their time to work, clean, cook, serve, and sell tickets helped make this a wonderful event. The proceeds from this event will go towards the school and parish improvements. It definitely takes a village to raise a child and all of you stepped up. I was so encouraged to see the various organizations of the parish come together; the Men's Club, the Board of Specified Jurisdiction, the Family School Association, the Women's Club, the Alumni Board, numerous school, religious ed., and parish families, as well as church staff, and faculty.

You will be receiving a conference request form for our Parent-Teacher-Student conferences which will be held on Sept. 25th and Sept. 26th. This is a change from previous years. I am very aware of how precious our time is and how little of it we have to spend with our families. In order to serve you, our parents, better you will have the option of two days to conference with your child's teacher(s). <u>Please complete the request form indicating your preference of date and time and return by September 16th.</u> If you do not return your request form a date and time will be scheduled for you. The faculty will meet together and do our best to schedule your conference as close to your preference as possible. You will receive a confirmation of your time and date on Friday, September 20th.

As you are all well aware we have been experiencing extreme summer heat. I did want you to realize some steps that we have taken to help the students and faculty make it through these difficult days. We are limiting the use of classroom lights to reduce extra heat, encouraging the use of water bottles and allowing students to refill them as needed. Fr. Eddy has graciously left the air conditioning on in church so classes can use the building for religion classes or quiet reading. Believe it or not at times it is cooler outside; teachers have been encouraged to take classes outside in the shade. Today the children enjoyed a popsicle treat in the afternoon. Please know your children are in good hands and their safety is always our first priority. This weather will pass and we may hope for some of this in our bitter cold winter months.

Mark your calendars:

- On Sunday, September 15 we will celebrate our second Family Mass at the 10:00 a.m. mass. The Book Fair will be open in the cafeteria after all masses. I encourage you to stop by and support our children.
- Thursday, September 19th St. Hilary will host a High School Fair for all of our 7th and 8th grade parents. A number of Catholic high schools will be present to answer your questions, share their Open House dates, and arrange shadow days for your child. This is a wonderful opportunity to see the variety of high schools that are available to your child.
- September 19th is also our picture day. We will be utilizing a new photographer this year. You will not be preordering your child's pictures. On Thursday, your child will come home with 2 proofs, a price list and order form for you to order your pictures.
- Dr. Peg has graciously offered another Virtus Training session for our families. This session will take place on Tuesday, September 24th. Please visit <u>www.virtus.org</u> to register for this session.

<u>Urgent! Please return your child's emergency form as soon as possible</u>. These forms were sent home in your summer mailing. If you need another copy please stop by the office and we will provide one for you. It is our goal to have all forms returned by Friday, September 13th. This is a very important document that we must have on file every year. Thank you for your cooperation.

Please check out the Peek at the Week for a look at the week ahead.

Gratefully,

Mrs. Kathie Donovan Principal

St. Hilary where faith, family, and academics thrive!

A Peek at the Week

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 16th – 20th

St. Hilary...where faith, family and academics thrive!

MONDAY: September 16th

Altar Servers: Angelo Obra, Nuala Kalensky

✓ Market Day pick-up in the cafeteria 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

TUESDAY: September 17th

Altar Servers: Angelo Obra, Nuala Kalensky

✓ Student council meeting - officers and representatives

WEDNESDAY: September 18th

Altar Servers: Katie Close, Kelly Dinh

- ✓ School liturgy 8:30 mass
- ✓ Schola Choir 3:15 4:00 p.m.
- ✓ Men's Club meeting 7:30 p.m. in cafeteria

THURSDAY: September 19th

Altar Servers: Katie Close, Kelly Dinh

- ✓ Handbell Choir 3:15 4:00 p.m.
- ✓ High School Fair 7:00 8:00 p.m. for all $7^{\text{th}} \& 8^{\text{th}}$ graders and their families
- ✓ Picture Day relaxed dress code day

FRIDAY: September 20th

Altar Servers: Gabriel Aco, Brianna Ho

 \checkmark 5th grade field trip to Museum of Science & Industry

SATURDAY: September 21st

Altar Servers: 8:30 a.m. Gabriel Aco, Brianna Ho

5:00 p.m. C. Portokalis, C. Bueneventura, M. Cabrera

SUNDAY: September 22nd

Altar Servers: 8 am Kurtis Dinh, Cyan Andalis, Angelo Obra 10 am Daniel Dinh, Katherine Lynch, Jessica Trieu 12 pm Rayven Wehling, Sofia Yunez-Torres, Melina Yousif



September 11, 2013

Dear School Families,

This year St. Hilary will be scheduling our parent teacher student conferences which will be held on Wednesday, September 25th, from 1:00pm to 7:00pm and on Thursday, September 26th from 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Parents are asked to fill in the information below in order to help schedule your family. Teachers will schedule conferences based on the family information received no later than September 15th. Families who have more than one child in the family are the first to be scheduled. **It is very important that this form is returned to the school no later than Monday, September 16th, in order to honor the time you requested**. Confirmation of your parent conference will be sent home on Friday, September 20th.

A reminder school is dismissed on Wednesday, September 25th and Thursday, September 26th, at 11:30am for parent conferences. There is extended care on both of these days for only students registered in the extended day program. There will be no school on Friday, September 27th for a teacher in-service day.

Thank you,			
Mrs. Donovan			
Name of Family			
Child's Name	Grade	Room #	
Time & Date preference			
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Indicate your preferred date an	d time for your confe	rence - times should be inc	licated in
30 minute increments (i.e. 2:00 – a unless requested and scheduled of	2:30 pm). The conferen		

<u>Teachers will be on a dinner break from 4:00pm to 5:00pm</u>. There should not be a conference filled in between the time period of 4:00pm to 5:00pm.

ST. HILARY FAMILY & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

MEETING TONIGHT

7 P.M. IN THE CAFETERIA

ENTER THROUGH THE GYM DOORS ON CALIFORNIA



Join us for the first **Family & School Association** (FSA) meeting of the year on **Wednesday, Sept. 11**. Mix and mingle with other St. Hilary parents while learning more about the FSA, upcoming events and activities, and other plans for this year. We welcome your ideas, energy and expertise. **All parents and guardians are members**, so we hope to see you there!

Guest speaker: Dr. Peg Hanrahan, director of religious education at St. Hilary

*** The uniform exchange will be available at tonight's meeting. This is a chance to pick up some gently used uniform items at a minimal cost.



Why not get an early start on your fall clean up needs and buy SCP!

Bonus Rebate Offers in September: Shutterfly (7%) Aug. 31st thru Sept. 20th.

You can now use your rebate towards reducing your tuition, your book fee, purchase gym uniforms, after school care, or add to your lunch card and as always you can buy more certificates, or donate your rebate to the school which would be used towards the school technology program

Remember, no order too Big or too Small. It all goes to benefit our children.

- ✤ USE THEM TO SHOP INSTEAD OF CASH, CHECK, OR CREDIT.
- ST. HILARY RECEIVES A COMMISSION ON EACH CERTIFICATE SOLD.
- ✤ WE WILL SPLIT THAT COMMISSION "50-50" ON YOUR TOTAL PURCHASE FOR EACH QUARTER. IT CAN BE USED TOWARDS TUITION, BUY MORE CERTIFICATES OR DONATE IT TO THE SCHOOL.
- "FACTS" PARTICIPANTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR ALL THE BENEFITS OF THE SCP PROGRAM.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON SCP* CALL KATHY ERNST @ (773) 989-9249

CERTIFICATES USUALLY ON HAND:				
RESTAURANTS:		RETAIL:		
Baskin Robbins (4.5% rebate)	\$2	Bath & Body Works (6.5% rebate)	\$10	
Burger King (2% rebate)	\$10	Best Buy (0 .5% rebate)	\$25	
Chili's (5.5% rebate)	\$25	Carson Pirie Scott (1% rebate)	\$25	
Dunkin Donuts (2% rebate)	\$10	Claire's (3% rebate)	\$10	
Giordano's Pizza (4% rebate)	\$25	Dick's Sporting Goods (4% rebate)	\$25	
Kentucky Fried Chicken (4.5% rebate)	\$5	Dominicks (2% rebate)	\$25	
Lettuce Entertain You Restaurants (6.5% rebate)	\$25	Home Depot (1% rebate)	\$25	
Lou Malnatis (3.5% rebate)	\$25	Jewel-Osco (2% rebate)	\$25	
Olive Garden/Red Lobster (4% rebate)	\$25	Jewel-Osco (2% rebate)	\$100	
Panera Bread (4% rebate)	\$10	Lowe's Home (1% rebate)	\$25	
Pizza Hut (4% rebate)	\$10	Marshall's/T J Maxx(3% rebate)	\$25	
Starbucks Coffee (3.5% rebate)	\$10	Muller Meats (3% rebate)	\$20	
Wendy's (4.5% rebate)	\$10	Old Navy, Gap, Banana Republic (4% rebate)	\$25	
		Sears (1.5% rebate)	\$25	
SPECIALTY:		Toy-R-Us (1.5% rebate)	\$20	
AMC-Cineplex-Sony-Lowes Theaters (6.5% rebate)	\$25	Walgreens (1% rebate)	\$25	
AMC-Cineplex-Sony-Lowes Theaters (6.5% rebate)	\$6.50	Wal-mart (1% rebate)	\$25	
Fannie May (12% rebate)	\$20			
I Tunes (1.5% rebate)	\$25			
Mobil/Exxon (0.5% rebate)	\$50			
Shell Debit Card (1% rebate)	\$25			
Shell Debit Card (1% rebate)	\$100			
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ST. HILARY GIFT CERTIFICATE CHOOSE THE AMOUNT

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CERTIFICATE ORDERS (FROM BOTTOM SECTION) RECEIVED BY FRIDAY WILL BE AVAILABLE ON TUESDAY OF THE FOLLOWING WEEK:

\$8.80

RESTAURANTS:

U.S. Postage Stamps 20 @ .44¢ (0% rebate)

Applebee's (4% rebate)	\$10	Bed, Bath & Beyond (3% rebate)	\$25
Boston Market (4% rebate)	\$10	Build A Bear (4% rebate)	\$25
Buffalo Wild Wings (3.5% rebate)	\$25	Crate & Barrel (2% rebate)	\$25
Eduardo's Pizza (4% rebate)	\$10	CVS Pharmacy (1% rebate)	\$25
Houlihan's (4% rebate)	\$25	CVS Pharmacy (1% rebate)	\$100
Joe's Crab Shack (4% rebate)	\$10	Eddie Bauer (4% rebate)	\$25
Mrs. Fields Cookies (9% rebate)	\$5	Express (6.5% rebate)	\$20
Outback Steakhouse (2% rebate)	\$25	Foot Locker (4% rebate)	\$25
Red Robbin (4% rebate)	\$10	Hair Cuttery (4% rebate)	\$10
		J C Penneys (2% rebate)	\$25
SPECIALTY:		Land's End (4% rebate)	\$25
		Lane Bryant (3.5% rebate)	\$25
Barnes & Noble (4% rebate)	\$10	Mario Tricoci (4% rebate)	\$25
B P Gas (1% rebate)	\$50	Menard's (1.5% rebate)	\$25
Chicagoland Jiffy Lube (6.5% rebate)	\$25	Office Depot (1.5% rebate)	\$25
Chuck E. Cheese (4% rebate)	\$20	Office Max (2% rebate)	\$25
Honey Baked Ham (4.5% rebate)	\$20	Payless Shoes (4.5% rebate)	\$10
Hyatt Hotels (4% rebate)	\$25	Pier 1 Imports (2% rebate)	\$20
Marriott Hotels (6% rebate)	\$50	Pottery Barn/Wm. Sonoma (4% rebate)	\$25
Oberweis (4.5% rebate)	\$10	Sharper Image (6.5% rebate)	\$25
Sara Lee Outlets (6.5% rebate)	\$10	Shutterfly (4.5% rebate)	\$25
Timber Ridge Lodge (4.5% rebate)	\$25	Sports Authority (4% rebate)	\$25

Please note: When one or more companies are listed together, the certificates are good at either store.

NAME	PHONE NUMBER
ORDER TOTAL \$	Please make checks payable to: St. Hilary School
SEND WITH STUDENT *	ROOM #
WILL PICK-UP AT SCHOOL WILL PICK-UP AT RECTORY	(Rectory Pick-ups 9:00 a.m 4:00 p.m. Saturday Only)

*PLEASE NOTE: St. Hilary School & its Board cannot be held responsible for any loss that may occur in transit. Any Questions, Call Kathy Ernst (773) 989-9249.

RETAIL:

Open Your Hearts to Life! Respect Life Poster and Essay Contest

October 2013

"Open your hearts to life," is a favorite theme of Pope Francis and the focus of this year's Respect Life month.

"Open your hearts to life" means we stand firm against abortion, destructive embryo research, euthanasia and the use of other life threatening procedures and practices from the moment of conception to natural death.

"Open your hearts to life" means we reject the death penalty, slavery, human trafficking, terrorism and unjust war and we support our brothers and sisters in realizing their full human potential.

"Open your hearts to life" means we are open to the needs of the people in our lives and that we treat them with love and understanding. It also means bringing Christ's love to all we meet.

Sixth to eighth grade students are asked to submit essays on the above theme.

Other grades are asked to reflect the theme in posters on 8 1/2" x 11" paper using markers, paint, crayons or colored pencils. Collages also will be accepted. Students need to put their name, grade and room number on the BACK of their artwork.

Deadline for submissions has been extended to Sept. 27th.

A \$10 cash prize will be given for the best entry in each grade.



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Register online at http://www.bricks4kidz.com/chicagonorth!

Info for St. Hilary:

Class held Thursdays 3:10 p.m. to 4:10 p.m.

Session 1 dates: 9/6, 9/13, 9/20, 10/4, 10/11, 10/18 (no class 9/27)

Still time to enroll!! Cost: \$75 \$60 for the remaining 5 weeks

Ask about our sibling discount!

For questions or more information, contact:

Michael Hench (773) 383-5211 mhench@bricks4kidz.com www.bricks4kidz.com/chicagonorth

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Don't worry, be healthy.

Family Fun & Safety Fair September 15, noon to 4 p.m.

Tour fire trucks, ambulances and the Evanston Fire Safety House as we celebrate 25 years as a Level 1 Trauma Center and 40 years as an EMS system with rides, music and refreshments.

Free activities for kids of all ages.

Experts from the hospital and the community will be on hand to share their tips about personal safety and health. You'll leave armed with helpful information, better prepared for any emergency.

- + Bike helmets & fittings while supplies last
- + Free lunch bags for the first 200 guests
- + Kids games, face painting and balloon art
- + Car seat safety checks
- + How to recognize a heart attack or stroke
- + Blood pressure, BMI and glucose screenings
- + Zumba

Register to win an iPad mini. Or enter our raffle for gift cards, back to school gear, household items and more -proceeds benefit the AHA Heart Walk.



Get in touch.

To RSVP, call 877.737.INFO (4636). 355 Ridge Avenue, Evanston