



# Saint Hilary School

Where faith, family, and academics thrive!

Dear Parent/Guardian,

November 13, 2013

During this month of November we often take time to stop and thank God for all that he has given us. Last week the Philippines were struck by a horrific typhoon. We are very fortunate to have a large population of families and friends from the Pilipino community in our school and parish. This weekend there will be a special second collection for donations to help all those in need in the Philippines. The St. Hilary students are encouraged to donate their spare change as part of this drive to help those who have been affected by this tragedy. Please place your donations in the water bottle on the table in the front hall. Thank you for your continued generosity to help those in need.

I wanted to extend my gratitude to those parents who braved the rain and served as our Halloween Patrol. Their time, dedication, and support to help our school campus safe are greatly appreciated.

Today, at mass, we celebrated the feast day of Mother Frances Cabrini – the patron Saint of Immigrants. Enclosed in this week's envelope you will find a flyer that gives you some websites, book choices, a prayer, and ways that kids can help immigrants. Please take the time to discuss this important person with your child.

Attention all St. Hilary bakers! The Women's Club is hosting their annual bake sale the weekend of November 23 – 24. This is a large fund-raiser for these hard working ladies. They are looking for donations of baked items to sell – parents will receive volunteer service hours. All baked goods may be dropped off at school on Nov. 22 or directly to the Women's Club after any masses.

Our Student Council has begun our Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive. Please consider donating food items to allow those less fortunate than us enjoy a warm meal not only on Thanksgiving but throughout the year. This year we will be donating to the Heartland Alliance – the leading anti-poverty organization in the Midwest.

A couple of weeks ago I sent home a nomination form for the Golden Apple Teacher Award. We have incredibly dedicated teachers who are often not recognized for all that they do. A number of years ago I was nominated for this award by a student. It is a great honor and it really meant a lot to me. Teachers who are currently teaching in grades 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> are eligible to be nominated. Please take some time and

nominate a teacher who has made a difference in your child's life. For more information please visit [www.goldenapple.org](http://www.goldenapple.org).

### **Dates to Remember:**

- Football/Cheerleading banquet Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at St. Margaret Mary
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. in church. All are welcome – please keep these children in your prayers.
- 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade Family Science Night Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m. in the Vacala Auditorium
- Band & Chorus Concert Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> 7:00 p.m. in the Vacala Auditorium
- Family Mass 10:00 Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> – Women's Club Bake Sale after all masses
- Progress reports go home on Tues. Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>. Remember to track your child's progress with the PowerSchool parent portal.
- Thanksgiving break Wed. Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> – Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>. School resumes on Monday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### **Emergency Closing Information**

Our SchoolReach system will notify you either by phone or email in the event of our school closing due to weather. In addition, emergency closing information will be announced on WBBM Radio Newsradio 78 and WGN Radio 720. The television stations to watch are CBS Channel 2 Chicago, Channel 5, ABC Channel 7 Chicago, WGN Morning News, Fox 32 and CLTV News. On-line you may access information at [www.EmergencyClosings.com](http://www.EmergencyClosings.com). Our website [www.sthilarychicago.org](http://www.sthilarychicago.org) will also have closing information. We will close if the Archdiocese closes and if CPS Closes – extremely rare events. **You should choose, based on your own judgment and situation, whether or not to keep your child(ren) home.**

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

Gratefully,

*Mrs. Kathie Donovan*

Mrs. Kathie Donovan, Principal

# A Peek at the Week

**WEEK OF: NOVEMBER 18 - 22**

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

## **MONDAY : November 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Altar Servers: Matthew Crowe, Roswell Omandam**

- ✓ Religious Education classes
- ✓ HealthWorld presentations for Preschool, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades
- ✓ Advanced Band rehearsal 3:00 – 4:00 p.m

## **TUESDAY : November 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Altar Servers: Matthew Crowe, Roswell Omandam**

- ✓ NO Student Council meeting
- ✓ 8<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation 7:00 p.m. in church – Keep them in your prayers!
- ✓ Beginning band brass and percussion 7:15 – 8:00 a.m.

## **WEDNESDAY : November 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Altar Servers: Louis Sirgiovanni, Chris Portokalis**

- ✓ Schola 3:15 – 4:00 p.m. and Chorus 4:00 – 4:30 p.m.
- ✓ 8:30 all school liturgy
- ✓ 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade Family Science Night 6:00 p.m. in the Vacala Auditorium
- ✓ Men's Club Meeting 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria
- ✓ Beginning band woodwinds 7:15 – 8:00 a.m.

## **THURSDAY: November 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Altar Servers: Louis Sirgiovanni, Chris Portokalis**

- ✓ Handbell Choir 3:15 – 4:00 p.m.
- ✓ Band & Chorus Concert 7:00 p.m. in the Vacala Auditorium
- ✓ Advanced Band rehearsal 7:15 – 8:00 a.m.
- ✓ Beginning band 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

## **FRIDAY: November 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Altar Servers: Jack McNabb, Kurtis Dinh**

## **SATURDAY: November 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Altar Servers: 8:30 a.m. Jack McNabb, Kurtis Dinh**

**5:00 p.m. Gianna Ehrenberg, Maggie McNabb, Angela Lynch**

## **SUNDAY: November 24<sup>th</sup>**

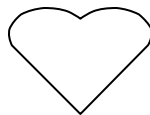
**Altar Servers: 8 am Kara & Christian Buenaventura, Jessica Trieu**

**10 am Brianna Ho, Melina Yousif, Kurtis Dinh**

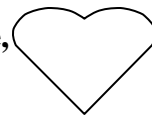
**12 pm Jack McNabb, Maggie McNabb, Sarah Oquendo**



**Family Mass with Coffee and... after in the school cafeteria  
10:00 a.m. mass on Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>!**



**Please support our Thanksgiving Food Drive,  
help those less fortunate than ourselves!**





## **CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR CONFIRMANDI!**

Purchase SCP for that special confirmation gift!

**Bonus Rebate Offers in November: iTunes (3%) Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>  
thru Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, Bath & Body Works (9%) Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> thru Nov.  
29<sup>th</sup>.**

**\*ORDER EARLY TO ASSURE CERTIFICATE AVAILABILITY\***

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

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

- ❖ 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 OR Email Ernst@sthilarychicago.org

**CERTIFICATES USUALLY ON HAND:**

**RESTAURANTS:**

Burger King (2% rebate)	\$10	_____
Chili's (5.5% rebate)	\$25	_____
Chipotle (5.5% rebate)	\$10	_____
Dunkin Donuts (1.5% rebate)	\$10	_____
Gordon Food Service (1.5% rebate)	\$25	_____
I Hop (4% rebate)	\$25	_____
Kentucky Fried Chicken (4.5% rebate)	\$5	_____
Lettuce Entertain You Restaurants (6.5% rebate)	\$25	_____
Lou Malnatis (3.5% rebate)	\$25	_____
Marianos (2% rebate)	\$25	_____
Panera Bread (4.5% rebate)	\$10	_____
Olive Garden/Red Lobster (4.5% rebate)	\$25	_____
Panera Bread (4.5% rebate)	\$10	_____
Pizza Hut (4% rebate)	\$10	_____
Starbucks Coffee (3.5% rebate)	\$10	_____
Subway (2% rebate)	\$10	_____
Wendy's (2% rebate)	\$10	_____

**SPECIALTY:**

AMC-Cineplex-Sony-Lowes Theaters (4% rebate)	\$25	_____
AMC-Cineplex-Sony-Lowes Theaters (4% rebate)	\$7	_____
Fannie May (12% rebate)	\$20	_____
I Tunes (1.5% rebate)	\$25	_____
Mobil/Exxon (0.75% rebate)	\$50	_____
Shell Debit Card (1% rebate)	\$25	_____
Shell Debit Card (1% rebate)	\$100	_____
U.S. Postage Stamps 20 @ .45¢ (0% rebate)	8.8	_____

**RETAIL:**

Bath & Body Works (6.5% rebate)	\$10	_____
Best Buy (1% rebate)	\$25	_____
Carson Pirie Scott (4.5% rebate)	\$25	_____
Claire's (4.5% rebate)	\$10	_____
Dick's Sporting Goods (3% rebate)	\$25	_____
Dominicks (2% rebate)	\$25	_____
Home Depot (2% rebate)	\$25	_____
Jewel-Osco (2% rebate)	\$25	_____
Jewel-Osco (2% rebate)	\$100	_____
Lowe's Home (2% rebate)	\$25	_____
Marshall's/T J Maxx (3.5% rebate)	\$25	_____
Muller Meats (3% rebate)	\$20	_____
Old Navy, Gap, Banana Republic	\$25	_____
Ross (4% rebate)	\$25	_____
Toy-R-Us (1.5% rebate)	\$20	_____
Walgreens (3% rebate)	\$25	_____
Wal-mart (1.25% rebate)	\$25	_____

**ST. HILARY GIFT CERTIFICATE**

CHOOSE THE AMOUNT \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**RETAIL:**

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

**RESTAURANTS:**

	\$10	_____
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Boston Market (6.5% rebate)	\$10	_____
Buffalo Wild Wings (3.5% rebate)	\$25	_____
Eduardo's Pizza (4% rebate)	\$10	_____
Houlihan's (4% rebate)	\$25	_____
Mrs. Fields Cookies (9% rebate)	\$5	_____
Outback Steakhouse (4% rebate)	\$25	_____
Red Robbin (4.5% rebate)	\$10	_____

**SPECIALTY:**

	\$10	_____
Barnes & Noble (4% rebate)	\$10	_____
B P Gas (.75% rebate)	\$50	_____
Chuck E. Cheese (4% rebate)	\$20	_____
Honey Baked Ham (4.5% rebate)	\$20	_____
Hyatt Hotels (4% rebate)	\$25	_____
Marriott Hotels (4.5% rebate)	\$50	_____
Oberweis (4.5% rebate)	\$10	_____
Sara Lee Outlets (6.5% rebate)	\$10	_____
Timber Ridge Lodge (4.5% rebate)	\$25	_____

Bed, Bath & Beyond (3% rebate)	\$25	_____
Build A Bear (5% rebate)	\$25	_____
Crate & Barrel (3% rebate)	\$25	_____
CVS Pharmacy (2% rebate)	\$25	_____
CVS Pharmacy (2% rebate)	\$100	_____
Eddie Bauer (4.5% rebate)	\$25	_____
Express (6.5% rebate)	\$20	_____
Foot Locker (5% rebate)	\$25	_____
Hair Cuttery (4% rebate)	\$10	_____
J C Penneys (2% rebate)	\$25	_____
Land's End (7% rebate)	\$25	_____
Lane Bryant (4% rebate)	\$25	_____
Mario Tricoci (4% rebate)	\$25	_____
Menard's (1.5% rebate)	\$25	_____
Office Depot (2% rebate)	\$25	_____
Office Max (2.5% rebate)	\$25	_____
Payless Shoes (6.5% rebate)	\$10	_____
Pier 1 Imports (4.5% rebate)	\$20	_____
Pottery Barn/Wm. Sonoma (4% rebate)	\$25	_____
Shutterfly (4.5% rebate)	\$25	_____
Sports Authority (4% rebate)	\$25	_____
Target (.75% rebate)	\$25	_____
Target (.75% rebate)	\$100	_____

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 \_\_\_\_\_

\*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.

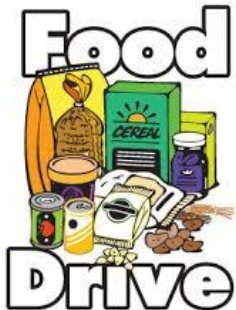


# Thanksgiving Food Drive

During the season of Thanksgiving, help support the people that are less fortunate in our community. Student Council is asking St. Hilary students to collect food items to give to people through the food pantries at **St. Hilary Parish and Vital Bridges**. Vital Bridges is a local community organization that fights hunger. For more information about their program see the back of this flyer.

The Thanksgiving Food Drive will run from **Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup> till Friday November 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Please bring the items to your homeroom teacher. Students can bring in *soups, canned vegetables, canned fruit, canned meats, or boxed foods (cereal, pasta, Mac and Cheese, etc.)* **Please no perishable items.**

Please bring in your donations by Friday Nov. 22nd to help make this season brighter for many less fortunate families in Chicago.



Students can earn money at home to buy these items. Some examples of things students can do are:

1. Saving change to buy items
2. Raking leaves for neighbors
3. Use your allowance to purchase items



**ST. HILARY...**  
**HUNGRY TO FEED THOSE IN NEED!!**

Let's keep giving and giving and giving and giving and giving and giving...





# HARVEST FOR HOPE

## A COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE

Each year, Heartland Health Outreach's Vital Bridges Center on Chronic Care helps more than 1,800 low-income people impacted by HIV and AIDS throughout metropolitan Chicago. This year alone, they will provide:

- 500,000 meals,
- 28,000 nights of shelter, and
- 9,000 counseling sessions

Vital Bridges Center on Chronic Care recognizes the essential link between nutrition and health. Eating the right foods is key to building up immune systems and getting people with HIV/AIDS back on their feet. That's why **Harvest for Hope** is a critical part of Vital Bridges Center on Chronic Care's success!

**The need is great -- but you can help!** Help us collect non-perishable food and personal care items that will help low-income people living with HIV/AIDS improve their health and achieve self-sufficiency.

### Wish List

Canned Chunky Soups & Stews

Stuffing and Cranberry Sauce

Canned Chicken, Tuna, Salmon

Healthy Boxed Dinners

Macaroni & Cheese

Canned Beans

Dry Bagged Beans

White/Brown Rice

Peanut Butter

Jelly / Jam

Cold & Hot Cereal

Canned Fruit

Laundry Detergent

Disinfectant Wipes/Sprays

Toothpaste/Toothbrush

Dish soap

Bar Soap/Body Wash

Shampoo

While all donations are welcome, these items in particular are of greatest need.

**We need your help! Donate today!**

**Where:** St. Hilary School

**Dates:** November 11-22

**Contact:** donovan @ sthilarychicago.org



# ***Calling all volunteers!***

***The Annual Family Christmas Party will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, in the gym and cafeteria.***

**Do you want to contribute to this fun family event?**

The Family & School Association is looking for volunteers to serve on the Christmas Party Planning Team. We'd love your ideas on how we can make this a special event for our families. If you would like to join the planning team, please contact FSA event coordinators Kathy Ernst ([ernst@sthilarychicago.org](mailto:ernst@sthilarychicago.org)) and Monica Giannoni ([jghms.cww@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jghms.cww@sbcglobal.net)).

Helping hands will be needed on the day of the Christmas Party. More information will be available at a later date.





# The Feast of Mother Frances Cabrini – Patron Saint of Immigrants

## GREAT BOOKS TO READ ON IMMIGRATION



*The Arrival* by Shaun Tan (a graphic novel for ages 4 & up)

*All the Way to America: The Story of a Big Italian Family and a Small Shovel* by Dan Yaccarino (K-2)

*Benjamin and the Word/Benjamin y La Palabra* by Daniel Olivas (Bilingual K-2)

*Candy Shop* by Jan Wahl (K-3)

*One Green Apple* by Eve Bunting (1-3)

*The Lotus Seed* by Sherry Garland (2-5)

*The Trouble Begins* by Linda Himelblau (2-4)

*Hannah's Journal: The Story of an Immigrant Girl* by Marissa Moss (3-5)

*Journey of the Sparrows* by Fran Leeper Buss (4-6)

*The Star Fisher* by Laurence Yep (4-6)

*Return to Sender* by Julia Alvarez (7-9)

*Downtown Boy* by Juan Felipe Herrera (7-9)

*A Step from Heaven* by An Na (7-9)

*The Good Braider* by Terry Farish (novel in verse – 7-9)

*The Colors of Freedom: Immigrant Stories* by Janet Bode (non-fiction 7-9)

*Farewell to Manzanar* by Jeanne and James Houston (non-fiction 7-9)

## Ten things kids can do to help immigrants

1. Pray for all immigrants
2. Be welcoming, especially to people who are new to your school or neighborhood.
3. Treat everyone fairly
4. Share what you have, especially with the poor. Soon we will be having a Coat Drive and the Thanksgiving Food Drive. Be generous.
5. Never make fun of someone just because they look or sound different.
6. Learn about children who are immigrants. Get familiar with the facts and challenges facing young immigrants today.
7. Explore different cultures
8. Share American traditions and customs with children from other countries who might be in your school or neighborhood.
9. Learn a new language or even a few phrases in other languages like, “Hello my name is \_\_\_\_ what’s your name?” “Would you like to play with us?”
10. Praise and encourage people who are learning English. Help them learn new words and explain the meaning of words and phrases.



## kids check out these websites on immigration

[http://teacher.scholastic.com/ACTIVITIES/IMMIGRATION/young\\_immigrants/](http://teacher.scholastic.com/ACTIVITIES/IMMIGRATION/young_immigrants/)

<http://pbskids.org/itsmylife/family/immigration/article7.html>

## Planet 51: An Unusual Immigration Story by Sony Pictures



Check out this review by 5<sup>th</sup> grader *Rose Marsh* on *Indy Kids - A Free Paper for Free Kids* @ [www.indykids.net](http://www.indykids.net)

<http://indykids.net/main/2011/01/planet-51-an-unusual-immigration-story/>

## Prayer for Our Immigrant Sisters and Brothers

Blessed are You, Lord Jesus Christ.  
You crossed every border  
between Divinity and humanity  
to make your home with us.  
Help us to welcome you in newcomers,  
migrants and refugees.

Blessed are You, God of all nations.  
You bless our land richly  
with goods of creation  
and with people made in your image.  
Help us to be good stewards and  
peacemakers,  
who live as your children.

Blessed are You, Holy Spirit.  
You work in the hearts of all  
to bring about harmony and goodwill.  
Strengthen us to welcome those  
from other lands, cultures, religions,  
that we may live in human solidarity  
and in hope.

God of all people, grant us vision  
to see your presence in our midst,  
especially in our immigrant sisters and  
brothers.  
Give us courage to open the door to our  
neighbors  
and grace to build a society of justice.

# Homeless men need clothing!



Donate Warm Gently Used or New Men's Clothing



The clothing will be going to support Our Lady of Sorrows homeless men program

November 20-December 27  
(also a drop-off box in Church vestibule)

These will be a great donation to these men

They will be grateful for the donation

\*\*\*\*\* Thank you Saint Hilary Girl Scouts \*\*\*\*\*