

Where faith, family, and academics thrive!

Dear Parent/Guardian,

April 16, 2014

During this final week of Lent each class added a sun to their Garden of Faith symbolizing light and the celebration of Jesus' Resurrection. I wish you and your family a very Blessed Easter. Enjoy the extended Easter weekend, school resumes on Tuesday, April 22nd.

We enjoyed another fantastic week at St. Hilary. We began our week with a special basketball game between the 8th grade basketball players and our faculty. A huge thank you to Northside College Prep High School for allowing us to use their facilities. There was an incredible turnout and fun was had by all! The faculty did manage to pull off a victory even though a few of them did feel some aches and pains the next day. Thank you to Mr. Hirsch and Ms. Salmon for their assistance in organizing this event.

Thank you to Ms. Rath and the amazing 7th graders for their performance of the Living Stations. The entire school enjoyed their presentation on Tuesday, April 15th. They were very worshipful and were wonderful role models of how we respectfully show our reverence for Jesus and the Lenten season. We will have a Lenten prayer service on Thursday, April 17th at 10:00 a.m. in church.

Thank you to Mrs. Maria Hench, Mrs. Margaret Frank, the FSA, and all parent volunteers for another successful book fair. Your donations to the classrooms are much appreciated and allow us to continually update our book selections for our children.

This past weekend we asked your help to fill a truck with donations for Goodwill and as always you obliged. We collected 9,800 items! This is an amazing number but we still need more. A number of people did ask if we would have another truck to fill – they are on a roll cleaning closets. We will have another truck in the parking lot on Sunday, April 27th for last minute donations. The challenge with the Chicago Blackhawks ends on April 30th. Goodwill will accept gently used clothing, shoes, books, glasses, knick knacks, etc. If you are unsure please ask and I will let you know. FYI – the winning school last year donated 76,000 items. You can track our progress at www.amazinggoodwill.com, totals are updated each Friday.

Thank you to the many families who have already completed their registration for the 2014-2015 school year, I am so excited to be able to spend another fantastic year with you. There are a number of families who have not yet registered for next year. This is extremely important so that we can plan for the upcoming school year. Teacher contract

offers are pending on our enrollment numbers. The paperwork and fee must be in place in order to hold a seat for your child. If you have misplaced your registration forms please let me know and I will provide a new set for you. If you have any reservations about your child returning next year I ask that you take some time to meet with me so that we can have a productive conversation. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

A reminder that for the 2014-2015 school year we will be utilizing the FACTS program for financial assistance rather than the PSAS that was used last year. A link to the FACTS program can be found on our school website www.sthilarychicago.org.

A correction: the gold bar from Fort Knox that Jason presented to the school was a "replica" gold bar not a true gold bar. Sorry for the misinterpretation.

Dates to Remember:

- April 17th Holy Thursday 11:30 a.m. dismissal
- April 18th and April 21st No School for Easter vacation
- April 24th Family Game Night (see flyer in today's envelope)
- April 30th Progress reports go home
 St. Hilary hosts the Battle of the Books
- May 3rd First Holy Communion 11:00 a.m. in church
- May 5th No school, teacher in-service day
- May 7th 1:45 dismissal

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 April 21 – 25

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

MONDAY: April 21st

Altar Servers: Dan Echeverria, Angela Lynch

✓ No School – Easter Break

TUESDAY: April 22nd Earth Day!

Altar Servers: Dan Echeverria, Angela Lynch

- ✓ School resumes
- ✓ 5th & 6th grade field trip to Green Briar Park for Earth Day
- ✓ Paper recycling contest
- ✓ Student Council Meeting officers and representatives
- ✓ Art Studio 3:00 4:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY: April 23rd

Altar Servers: Nuala Kalensky, Matthew Crowe

- ✓ 8:30 all school mass
- ✓ 3rd & 4th grade field trip to Slim Goodbody
- ✓ Administrative Professionals Day
- ✓ Chorus 4:00 4:45 p.m.
- ✓ Art Studio 3:00 4:00 p.m.

THURSDAY: April 24th

Altar Servers: Nuala Kalensky, Matthew Crowe

- ✓ Altar servers field trip to the Cubs game
- ✓ Family Game Night 6:00 8:00 p.m. in Vacala Auditorium

FRIDAY: April 25th

Altar Servers: Ruel Yamat, Katherine Lynch

- ✓ 8:30 Battle of the Books in-house challenge
- ✓ Art Studio 3:00 4:00 p.m.

SATURDAY: April 26th

Altar Servers: 8:30 a.m. Ruel Yamat, Katherine Lynch

Wedding 2:00 p.m. Gabriel Aco, Roswell Omandam, Meghan Cabrera

5:00 p.m. Chris Troyke, Angelo Obra, Diana Flatsousis

SUNDAY: April 27th

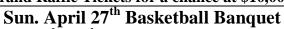
8:00 a.m. Rayven Wehling, Zheous Abalos, Joe Sirgiovanni

10:00 a.m. Dillon Grant, Camryn Serion, Cyan Andalis

12:00 Noon Destne Bailey, K. & C. Buenaventura

Don't forget to purchase your

Grand Raffle Tickets for a chance at \$10,000!



4th – 6th grade at 1:30 p.m.

7th & 8th grade at 3:30 p.m.



HOW MUCH PAPER CAN YOUR CLASS BEGYCLES

Call it a rematch! A second chance! Your time to shine! That's right, we're having another recycling contest! Who can beat our November winners? On Tuesday, April 22 we are kicking off Earth Day with a recycling contest!

This contest is again a one-day challenge! Bring all your paper on Tuesday, April 22! There will be early morning and afternoon drop off times so that you don't have to bring all your paper to your classroom!

Paper may be dropped off at the yellow and green recycling bins from 7-7:45 Tuesday morning and after school from 2:30-3:15. Ms. Sexton will be available to weigh your paper and add it to your class' total. Smaller bags of paper may be brought to your classroom.

Remember, we accept all kinds of paper, but we do NOT accept phone books or cardboard. If you bring in shredded paper it must be in a bag. Remember, the amount of paper collected is done by weight. So, look around your house. See what you can find. Call your neighbors, call your relatives! Collect all the paper you can find! Remember, the contest is for one day only!

SHARP AS A TACK'S

Family Game Night At St. Hilary School PLAY WITH PURPOSE

DISCOVER FUN WAYS TO CONNECT AS A FAMILY

FREE night out!

- Discover new ways to connect as a family
- Discover games for strengthening academic weaknesses
- Discover games to keep your brain fit
- · Get the kids away from the TV and video games for a night

Thursday, April 24th 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. in The Vacala Auditorium

Reserve your seat by completing the bottom of this form or calling the school office at 773-561-5885 by April 16th.

Family Game Night Reservations

Family Name ______

No# of people participating _____

Contact number _____

"Playing and designing games teaches children problem solving, brainstorming, cooperation and creativity."



Beth Sagett-Flores Principal, Lincolnwood School Evanston, IL





IMAGINE BRAINSTORM THE IDEA THE PROTOTYPE TESTING THE REVEAL

IS YOUR CHILD THE NEXT MILTON BRADLEY?

WHEN: Tuesday's 4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20, 5/27, 6/3

TIME: After-school

GRADES: 2nd through 8th WHERE: St. Hilary School

COST: FREE

The **Young Inventor Workshop** was designed to help students imagine, design, test, and create their own toy or game inventions and to engage them in a positive and challenging endeavor that will help develop cognitive abilities, such as creativity and problem sovling.

The excitement doesn't stop there! Sharp As A Tack and the Young Inventor Workshop will then provide a means of taking the students' inventions to even greater heights, with professional critiques from our industry experts and the opportunity to show their work off to the public, toy industry and members of the press!

Several award winning game inventors will be visiting our Young Inventor Workshop at Point Dume to work with the students. Parents and local media will be invited to **The Reveal**, where students will present their creations!

THIS WILL BE A TRULY A REMARKABLE EXPERIENCE FOR YOUR CHILD

	To enroll, simply return this	form to the office	
STUDENT NAME:_			
AGE:_	DOB:	GENDER:	
PARENT/GUARDIAN:_			
EMAIL:		PHONE:	
EMERGENCY CONTACT:_		PHONE:	



Happy Easter from your friends at SCP!

Bonus Rebate offers in April is: CVS (2.5%) April 5th thru April 18th and
Best Buy (2%) April 5th thru May 2nd.

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 or email Ernst@sthilarychicago.org

CERTIFICATES USUALLY ON HAND:

RESTAURANTS:		RETAIL:
		Bath & Body Works (6.5% reba \$10
Burger King (2% rebate)	\$10	Best Buy (1% rebate) \$25
Chili's (5.5% rebate)	\$25	Carson Pirie Scott (4.5% rebate \$25
Chipotle (5.5% rebate)	\$10	Claire's (4.5% rebate) \$10
Dunkin Donuts (1.5% rebate)	\$10	Dick's Sporting Goods (3% reba \$25
Gordon Food Service (1.5% rebate)	\$25	Dominicks (2% rebate) \$25
I Hop (4%rebate)	\$25	Home Depot (2% rebate) \$25
Kentucky Fried Chicken (4.5% rebate)	\$5	Jewel-Osco (2% rebate) \$25
Lettuce Entertain You Restaurants (6.5% rebate)	\$25	Jewel-Osco (2% rebate) \$100
Lou Malnatis (3.5% rebate)	\$25	Lowe's Home (2% rebate) \$25
Marianos (2% rebate)	\$25	Marshall's/T J Maxx(3.5% reba \$25
Panera Bread (4.5% rebate)	\$10	Muller Meats (3% rebate) \$20
Olive Garden/Red Lobster (4.5% rebate)	\$25	Old Navy,Gap,Banana Republic \$25
Panera Bread (4.5% rebate)	\$10	Ross (4% rebate) \$25
Pizza Hut (4% rebate)	\$10	Toy-R-Us (1.5% rebate) \$20
Starbucks Coffee (3.5% rebate)	\$10	Walgreens (3% rebate) \$25
Subway (2% rebate)	\$10	Wal-mart (1.25% rebate) \$25
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	
l Tunes (1.5% rebate)	\$25	ST. HILARY GIFT CERTIFICATE
Mobil/Exxon (0.75% rebate)	\$50	CHOOSE THE AMOUNT \$
Shell Debit Card (1% rebate)	\$25	
Shell Debit Card (1% rebate)	\$100	
U.S. Postage Stamps 20 @ .45¢ (0% rebate)	8.8	RETAIL:
CERTIFICATE ORDERS (FROM BOTTOM SECTION) RECEIVED	BY FRIDAY WILL BE	
		Bed, Bath & Beyond (3% rebati \$25
RESTAURANTS:	\$10	Build A Bear (5% rebate) \$25
	\$10	Crate & Barrel (3% rebate) \$25
Boston Market (6.5% rebate)	\$10	CVS Pharmacy (2% rebate) \$25
Buffalo Wild Wings (3.5% rebate)	\$25	CVS Pharmacy (2% rebate) \$100
Eduardo's Pizza (4% rebate)	\$10	Eddie Bauer (4.5% rebate) \$25
Houlihan's (4% rebate)	\$25	Express (6.5% rebate) \$20
Mrs. Fields Cookies (9% rebate)	\$5	Foot Locker (5% rebate) \$25
Outback Steakhouse (4% rebate)	\$25	Hair Cuttery (4% rebate) \$10
Red Robbin (4.5% rebate)	\$10	J C Penneys (2% rebate) \$25
		Land's End (7% rebate) \$25
SPECIALTY:	4	Lane Bryant (4% rebate) \$25
	\$10	Mario Tricoci (4% rebate) \$25
Barnes & Noble (4% rebate)	\$10	Menard's (1.5% rebate) \$25
B P Gas (.75% rebate)	\$50	Office Depot (2% rebate) \$25
Chuck E. Cheese (4% rebate)	\$20	Office Max (2.5% rebate) \$25
Honey Baked Ham (4.5% rebate)	\$20	Payless Shoes (6.5% rebate) \$10
Hyatt Hotels (4% rebate)	\$25	Pier 1 Imports (4.5% rebate) \$20
Marriott Hotels (4.5% rebate)	\$50	
Oberweis (4.5% rebate)	\$10	Shutterfly (4.5% rebate) \$25
Sara Lee Outlets (6.5% rebate)	\$10	Sports Authority (4% rebate) \$25
Timber Ridge Lodge (4.5% rebate)	\$25	Target (.75% rebate) \$25 Target (.75% rebate) \$100
Please note: When one or more companies are listed together	er, the certificates a	
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.

Get Involved in Your FSA!

If there's something you love about St. Hilary, get involved and keep it going!

If there's something you think needs improvement, get involved and make it change!

- Have you enjoyed family events and activities like the First Day of School and End of the Year picnics, Family Christmas Party, car washes, and St. Hilary Nights at local businesses?
- Have you taken part in hospitality and fellowship at January's Pancake Breakfast, Sacrament Receptions, and Kindergarten and Preschool celebrations, or ordered from Market Day?
- Has your student visited the Book Fair, enjoyed the Easter Bunny's visit, or benefited from this year's gym safety improvements?

The St. Hilary Family & School Association makes all these things—and more—happen!

The Family & School Association is excited to open up nominations for the FSA Executive Committee for the upcoming 2014-15 school year. The Executive Committee consists of seven people.

Don't wait to get involved "someday"! Please consider sharing your time and talents to help enrich the St. Hilary School community. Take a few moments to look over the accompanying Executive Committee Duties summary and nominate yourself or someone you know for a position on the committee.

Nomination forms are due by 5 p.m., Wednesday, April 30.

Elections will take place during the May FSA meeting at 7 p.m., Wednesday, May 14, in school cafeteria.

For more information, please contact any member of the 2013-14 executive committee (contact information is in the Family Directory) or email fsa@sthilarychicago.org.

Sincerely, The 2013-14 FSA Executive Committee

Kristen Allen, chair Maria Hench, communication coordinator Kathy Ernst, event coordinator Monica Giannoni, event coordinator Jackie McNutt, fundraising coordinator Anthony Escuadro, treasurer

St. Hilary Family & School Association

Executive Committee Duties

Purpose

The Family & School Association (FSA) supports St. Hilary School's mission in educating children in the Catholic tradition by sponsoring programs and activities that contribute to the vitality of the school. Membership includes parents and guardians of school and religious education children, parishioners, alumni, school and parish staff members and anyone with a viable interest in the school.

Listed below are all the executive committee members and main accompanying duties

Chairpersons

- Two people shall serve in this role
- Oversee monthly meetings and sets meeting agendas (with input from full board)
- Serve as primary liaison with school and parish staff
- Coordinate room parent volunteers and distributes room parent responsibilities
- Appoint special committees
- Be an ex-officio member of all committees

Treasurer

 Request disbursements for programs from the Principal as directed by the Executive Committee

Communication Coordinator

- Keep a written record of all meetings of this association and of the Executive Committee
- Oversee school directory development and distribution.
- Distribute meeting notices
- Work with other coordinators to promote FSA events, activities and programs

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Event Coordinators (2)

- Two people shall serve in this role
- Create and maintain the event/activity calendar
- Organize and assist event/activity/program chairs and communicate issues to the board
- Managing activities includes: ensures each event has a chair and a working committee of volunteers, ensures publicity information is communicated to the communications coordinator for distribution to school, parish and local community as appropriate
- Confirm that expense reporting forms are submitted to the Treasurer for processing

Fundraising Coordinator

- Serves as board liaison for the FSA's fundraising activities on behalf of the school
- Organizes and assists fundraising event chairs and communicates issues to the board
- Managing fundraising activities includes: ensures there are chairs and committees formed to support each fundraising activity/event, ensures publicity information is communicated to the communications coordinator

In addition to the duties assigned above, ALL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS are responsible for attendance at excutive committee and general meetings.

Term of Office:

The term of office shall be for one year.

St. Hilary Family & School Association

Board Nomination Form

The St. Hilary Family School Association (FSA) is seeking nominations for its upcoming term of office, which covers the 2014-2015 academic year. Please complete this form if you are interested in nominating yourself, or someone you know, for any of the positions listed below. Duties are detailed in the accompanying Family & School Association Board Member Duties document.

All nomination forms should be completed and returned to the St. Hilary School office no later than **5 p.m.**, **Wednesday**, **April 30**, **2014**. Nominations should be placed in a sealed envelope, labeled "FSA Board Nomination."

Full name of nominee (please print):			
Nominee's affiliation with St. Hilary School (Check all that apply):			
 Parent/Guardian of a child enrolled in the school Parent/Guardian of a child enrolled in the Religious Education program Parent/Guardian of alumnus/alumna Parish/School staff member Alumnus/alumna Parishioner 			
Telephone: Daytime: Evening: Mobile:			
Address: City: State: ZIP:			
Email:			
Please complete this section ONLY if you are nominating someone other than yourself			
Nominated by (please print):			
Nominator's signature:			
I hereby agree to my nomination for the position noted on this form, and, if elected, I agree to serve on the board of the St. Hilary Family & School Association. By signing below, I acknowledge that I have a viable interest in furthering and promoting the growth and development of St. Hilary School by serving on the FSA Board:			
Nominee's signature:			

(Please complete the reverse side)

FSA Board Nomination Form

Please complete the following, which may be published and circulated to FSA members:
Board Nominee (please print):
Position of Interest (check all that apply):
 Co-chairperson (2) Treasurer Communication Coordinator Event Coordinator (2) Fundraising Coordinator
Qualifications or experience relevant to the position(s) highlighted above:
Briefly describe what you, or your nominee, can bring to the FSA Board and why the membership should vote for you. Use a separate sheet if necessary. Please note: Lengthy statements may be shortened.



St. Hilary



Family & School Association VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If your family is looking to complete service hours, here are some events where helping hands would be greatly appreciated. Please see the Family Directory for contact information.

Battle of the Books: Wednesday, April 30, 9 a.m.-11 a.m.

St. Hilary is hosting this year's Battle of the Books Championship. Helping hands will be needed to set up and serve refreshments. Volunteers must have completed VIRTUS training. For more information, contact Mrs. Kristen Allen.

First Communion reception: Saturday, May 3

Volunteer opportunities are available for parents/guardians of third-graders. For more information, contact Mrs. Ann McNabb.

Market Day pickup: Saturday, May 10

Volunteers are needed to help organize orders on Market Day pickup days. For more information, contact Mrs. Sally Scarpelli.

Preschool celebration: Friday, May 30

Parents/guardians of kindergarten students are needed to set-up and serve refreshments at the celebration. Contact Mr. Michael Hench.

Spring car wash: Saturday, May 31

More information will be available closer to the event.

Kindergarten celebration: Wednesday, June 4

Volunteer opportunities will be available for parents/guardians of first-graders. More information will be available closer to the event.

Uniform exchange: early June

Volunteers will be needed to sort donations to the uniform exchange before the end-of-year picnic. Helping hands also will be needed on June 11 to staff the uniform exchange table. Contact Mrs. Maria Hench.

End-of-the-year picnic: Wednesday, June 11

This event needs a coordinator. We will need help cooking, setting up and cleaning up. More information will be available closer to the event.



St. Hilary Men's Club Monthly Meeting Wed. April 16. 7:30 p.m. School cafeteria

Menu: Burgers, Potatoes & Salad.

<u>Agenda:</u>

Recent events updates.
Sports Programs updates.
Open Board positions.
Sports Budget.

Hope to see you Wednesday evening.



Making learning FUN with LEGO® Bricks!!

Join us for after-school enrichment!



Now enrolling for our Amazing Animals unit! Class begins Friday, April 25.

It's a zoo in here! This is a unit sure to delight kids who love creatures. We'll be building models of snakes, insects, mammals and more. Each week we'll discuss fascinating facts about the animals we build, from the chameleon that changes colors to the seal model that waddles across the table. Students will love these moving models that celebrate the wonders of the animal kingdom. Don't miss out, register today!

Enroll online at http://www.bricks4kidz.com/chicagonorth

We Learn, We Build, We Play with LEGO® bricks!

Info for St. Hilary:

Class held Fridays 3:05 p.m. to 4:05 p.m.

Session 5 dates: 4/25, 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23,

5/30

Cost: \$75 per 6 week session

Ask about our sibling discount!

For questions or more information, contact:

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

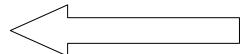


GIRL SCOUTS COOKIE SALE HAS BEEN EXTENDED THROUGH APRIL 26, 2014!

IF YOU MISSED THE MARCH BOOTH SALE AT CHURCH OR YOU WOULD LIKE MORE COOKIES YOU CAN STILL GET SOME!

ST. HILARY'S CADETTE TROOP #20789 WILL BE SELLING COOKIES AFTER SCHOOL ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2014

THE COOKIES ARE \$4 A BOX



AVAILABLE GIRL SCOUT COOKIES®

Thin Mints	Extra thin, extra minty! A thin wafer covered with a smooth chocolaty coating. Made with natural peppermint.
Samoas	Tender vanilla cookies, covered with caramel, rolled in toasted coconut, and striped with a rich, chocolaty coating.
Tagalon gs	Tasty cookies topped with creamy peanut butter and covered with a luscious chocolaty coating.
Do-Si- Dos	Crisp and crunchy oatmeal cookies with creamy peanut butter filling. No artificial color or flavor.
Trefoil	Light and delicious! Delicate-tasting shortbread that is simple and satisfying.
Savanna h Smiles	Crisp, zesty, lemony delight to celebrate 100 years of Girl Scouting!
Dulce de Leche	Inspired by the classic confections of Latin America, these sweet, indulgent cookies are rich with milk caramel chips and stripes.

Thank you for supporting the Girl Scouts!

Cindy Lynch Troop Leader