

Saint Hilary School

Where faith, family, and academics thrive!

Dear Parent/Guardian,

April 23, 2014

Happy Easter! In the words of Pope Francis, "In every human situation, marked by frailty, sin and death, the Good News is no mere matter of words, but a testimony to unconditional and faithful love: it is about leaving ourselves behind and encountering others, being close to those crushed by life's troubles, sharing with the needy, standing at the side of the sick, elderly and the outcast. "Come and see!": Love is more powerful, love gives life, love makes hope blossom in the wilderness." Let us remember how powerful love can be when given unconditionally to others. St. Hilary is a true example of this mission and we do lead by example.

On Sunday, April 27th Pope John Paul II and Pope John XXIII will be canonized as saints. Pope John Paul II celebrated mass here in Grant Park in 1979 and showed a fondness for Chicago and all the people. John XXIII and John Paul II modeled for us the call to holiness and reminded us, by the simplicity and joy of their Gospel-rooted lives, that we, too, are called to be saints.

Tuesday, April 22nd was Earth Day. The 5th & 6th graders helped the staff at Green Briar Park spread mulch around the trees and clean up the park. They worked extremely hard and we received many wonderful compliments on how awesome our children are. Thank you to Ms. Sexton, Mrs. Frank, and Mrs. Donnelly and the parent chaperones who definitely pitched in and lent a helping hand. The staff invited our St. Hilary community to the Annual Bird Walk Sunday, April 27 at 8:00 a.m. at Indian Boundary Park 2500 W. Lunt.

The Terra Nova results will be mailed to the families of students in grades 3 through 7. The faculty and I will be taking a deep dive into the data that we received from this test in order to better serve each individual student. Our analysis will be focused on individual objectives within each subject area rather than looking at each subject as a whole.

Family Game Night is scheduled for Thursday, April 24th. If you have not yet reserved a spot for your family complete the flyer in today's envelope and send it to school with your child tomorrow. This is a free evening of fun and games – your child will not even realize that they are learning. Put away the technology and bring back some old fashioned board games!

This is the final call for spring picture orders. If you would like to purchase pictures of your child please return the proof sheet by Friday, April 25th.

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 of an item 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. If you are able to volunteer it would be greatly appreciated, please see the flyer in today's envelope. Thank you.

The media is filled with warnings about credit card fraud and identity theft. We can help! Purchasing gift cards through our SCP program allows you the convenience of a credit card without the possibility of fraud. Each card you purchase provides you with a refund and profits to our school as well. Check out the flyer in today's envelope for more information.

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.

Dates to Remember:

- April 24th – Family Game Night (see flyer in today's envelope)
- April 27th – Basketball banquet
- 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 6th – National Teacher Appreciation Day!
- May 7th – 1:45 dismissal
- May 10th – Market Day pick-up
- May 11th – Pastor Appreciation Day and May Crowning

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 28 – May 2

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

MONDAY: April 28th Altar Servers: Chris Portokalis, Chris Troyke ✓ Religious Education classes
TUESDAY: April 29th Altar Servers: Chris Portokalis, Chris Troyke ✓ No Student Council Meeting ✓ Art Studio 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY: April 30th Altar Servers: Brianna Ho, Cyan Andalis ✓ 1:45 dismissal - Faculty Meeting ✓ 8:30 all school liturgy ✓ Schola & Handbell Choir 3:15 – 4:00 p.m. ✓ Art Studio 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. ✓ St. Hilary hosts the Battle of the Books final battle 10:00 a.m. ✓ Progress Reports go home
THURSDAY: May 1st Altar Servers: Brianna Ho, Cyan Andalis ✓ 4 th & 5 th grade field trip to MSI
FRIDAY: May 2nd Altar Servers: Jack McNabb, Kelly Dinh First Friday 7:00 p.m. Sofia Yunez-Torres, Ruel Yamat, Daniel Dinh ✓ Art Studio 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. ✓ First Communion rehearsal 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. in church
SATURDAY: May 3rd Altar Servers: 8:30 a.m. Jack McNabb, Kelly Dinh 5:00 p.m. Diana Flatsousis, Gabriel Aco, Brandon Rafol
SUNDAY: May 4th 8:00 a.m. Kurtis Dinh, Sarah Oquendo, Jessica Trieu 10:00 a.m. Kurtis Dinh, Katrina Giannoni, Giovanni Giannoni 12:00 Noon Louie Sirgiovanni, Angela Lynch, Katherine Lynch
First Holy Communion Saturday May 3rd – 11:00 a.m. in church Please keep our communicants in your prayers.
Schola and Handbell Choir members please arrive to church at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 3 rd for First Communion

No School on Monday, May 5th – Teacher In-service day

Happy Earth Day!

Care for the Earth and yourself with SCPs!



Bonus Rebate offers in April is: Best Buy (2%) April 5th thru May 2nd and Bath & Body Works (9%) April 12th thru May 9th.

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.

- ❖ SCP* AT ST.HILARY IS A SHOPPING CERTIFICATE PROGRAM. YOU ORDER \$10 WORTH OF SHOPPING CERTIFICATES AND YOU GET \$10 WORTH OF SHOPPING CERTIFICATES.
- ❖ 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.

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 ASAP.**

Family Game Night Reservations

Family Name _____

No# of people participating _____

Contact number _____



Help us score a hat trick and win a visit from Patrick Sharp of the Chicago Blackhawks!

- ✓ Get the entire family involved in gathering gently-used clothes and household items
- ✓ Keep our landfills clear of useful items
- ✓ Patrick Sharp visits St. Hilary School.

We want this to be a win, win, win so we are making it easy for you. Drop off any gently used clothes or household items on Sunday, April 27th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to our school parking lot and help us fill the truck. We will bring all the donations to GoodWill for you.

Another option is to go to any participating Goodwill Store & Donation Center between Tuesday, April 1 and Wednesday, April 30, 2014. Simply indicate St. Hilary School, city and number of items donated on the slip provided to you by the Goodwill Donation Attendant, and the school with the greatest number of items donated will receive a visit from Chicago Blackhawk Patrick Sharp.

Face off your clutter, clear the zone and help us score a goal!!



Please see reverse side for volunteer opportunities

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS GOODWILL CHALLENGE PACK THE TRUCK WEEKEND

SUNDAY, APRIL 27TH

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. _____

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. _____

Please indicate which shifts you are able to volunteer for.

Parent name _____

Child name _____

Contact number _____


Please return to school by Friday, April 25th. Thank you!!!

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

Beth Sagett-Flores
Principal, Lincolnwood School
Evanston, IL



Young Inventor Workshop



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 solving.

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:** _____

MARKET DAY

Memorial Day and Mother's day is right around the corner....a great day to barbeque and enjoy some quality family time. Show your support by ordering and assisting us by improving our security system around the school. We have a variety of combinations that are already prepared so you can give mom a day to relax and treat her to a meal that will not take longer than an hour, yet the flavor excites your taste buds!

This month terrific selection options:

Free Micro Fiber Drying Mat with \$40 purchase or a Free 4-pack of Cheesecake pops with \$90 purchase (PROMO CODE: MAYBONUS)



Order: School, Rectory, or call by Friday 04/02
Internet orders due by 11pm CST Wednesday,
05/07

Pick up Date/Time: Saturday, May 10th.. 9:30am
to 10:30am

Where: St. Hilary Cafeteria

Questions or Concerns, please contact Sally Scarpelli at (773) 769-1563 or Colleen Coleman at (773) 784-7152

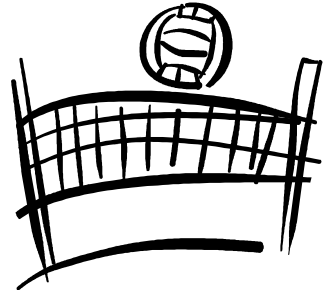
SPORTS BANQUET

Sunday, April 27, 2014

4-6 grade 1:30pm-3pm

7-8 grade 3:30pm-5:30pm

St. Hilary Gym



Players and parents, the annual sports banquet for
Volleyball, Basketball and Cheerleading teams only,
will be held
Sunday, April 27, 2014.

The Athletic Dept & Men's Club will be hosting the event.
Volunteers are needed to continue the success of this event.

Parents of the opposite grades are asked the help set-up &
serve during the event so every family can participate in the
banquet.

Any help you can give would be greatly appreciated.

Service hours are available.

Set-up is Saturday, 4/26, from 10am to Noon.

Please contact: Joe Kummerer at jkummerer@aol.com



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

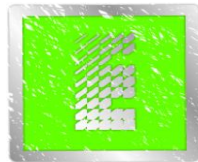
Ask about our sibling discount!

For questions or more information,
contact:

Michael Hench
(773) 383-5211

mhench@bricks4kidz.com

www.bricks4kidz.com/chicagonorth



Elevation Basketball

Elevate your game



5th- 8th Girls' Summer Clinic

Elevation Basketball is committed to providing premier basketball clinics on the Northside of Chicago. Head Coach Jason Ernst and his staff boast over 20 years of coaching experience at the middle school ages as well as playing experience at the high school and collegiate level. Just this season, Coach Ernst coached his girl's team to the CPS Elite Eight.

As life long basketball players, Coach Ernst and his staff have witnessed too many mediocre camps delivered by high school counselors that do not challenge the skilled athlete. Elevation Basketball *is different*. Our coaching staff will deliver skill specific and skill appropriate instruction by maintaining a 6:1 staff to child ratio. This low ratio allows us to challenge players of all ability levels to reach a higher level of performance.

Skills addressed will include ball handling, shooting, rebounding, offensive and defensive team concepts. Many of these drills can be practiced at home, allowing your child to continue developing their skills.

Elevation Basketball will host a two week summer clinic at St. Benedict Prep, 3900 N Leavitt St, Chicago, IL 60618.

Schedule and Cost: (Payments to be collected at a later date)

Week 1- \$80 July 14 and July 16 (12:00-2:30), July 17 (11:30-2:00)

Week 2- \$110 July 28 and July 29 (1:30-4:00), July 31 (2:30-5:00), August 1 (1:30-4:00)

Both weeks- \$175 **Single Day-** \$30

Visit www.elevationbasketballclinics.net for more information. (website goes live on Friday, April 18th)

To reserve a spot or ask a question contact Coach Jason Ernst at

elevationbasketballclinics@gmail.com