



Saint Hilary School

Where faith, family, and academics thrive!

Dear Parent/Guardian,

November 24, 2015

As we prepare for Thanksgiving this week, listen to words from Paul's letter to the Corinthians, "You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God." I thank you for your continued generosity to St. Hilary. We are truly blessed.

In the spirit of Christmas and in keeping with our mission to celebrate our St. Hilary family the entire school will be attending the a Holiday Concert at Resurrection High School on Friday, December 4th. The children will enjoy hearing a performance by Resurrection and Notre Dame High Schools with their faith partners. Please see the flyer that went home last Friday.

National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA) has a longstanding tradition of honoring and recognizing excellence and distinguished service in Catholic school education. We are happy to announce the Call for Nominations for NCEA's new **Lead. Learn. Proclaim. Awards** that will recognize the outstanding efforts, contributions and achievements on behalf of Catholic school education.

The 2016 Call for Nominations is now open to all active NCEA members. We encourage you to nominate individuals, including pastors, superintendents, assistant or associate superintendents, presidents, principals, teachers and/or Catholic institutions, organizations and teams that are active or affiliated with members of NCEA, who you feel merits this important leadership award. Additionally, all nominees must have served in their current role for at least five years.

Completed nomination and application forms for the **Lead. Learn. Proclaim. Awards** must be submitted for consideration by December 4, 2015. More information and applications can be found at www.ncea.org.

Thank you:

Thank you to everyone who supported the FSA Christmas Wreath Sale. The items will be delivered the week of Nov. 30th. You will be notified when they arrive.

The end of the first academic trimester was November 20th. Please make sure your financial obligations to Saint Hilary are taken care of in a timely manner in the next two weeks. If you have experienced a change in circumstances please contact Mrs. Donovan to make adjustments to your bill and arrange a payment plan. Per board policy, students whose tuition and fees have not been kept up to date will be subject to exclusion on Wednesday, December 2nd. If your account is current, I thank you!

Mark your calendars:

- Thanksgiving break Wed. Nov. 25th – Nov. 27th. School resumes on Monday, Nov. 30th.
- Mon. Nov. 30th – Parent Ambassador meeting 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria
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- Dec. 1st – Holiday Concert permission slips and money are due.
- Dec. 4th – All School Holiday Concert Field Trip
FSA Family Christmas Party 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. in the cafeteria
- Dec. 11th – Christmas Fund contributions are due!
- December 17th – St. Hilary School and Parish Christmas Concert 7:00 p.m. in the church.

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

As always, if you have any questions please feel free to contact me at school 773-561-5885 or by email donovan@sthilarychicago.org.

Gratefully,

Mrs. Kathie Donovan

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Principal

A Peek at the Week

Week of NOV. 30 – DEC. 4

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First Week of Advent



MONDAY: November 30th

Altar Servers: Willy, Zheous, Marina

- ✓ Religious Education classes
- ✓ Cadet Band 7 – 7:45 a.m.
- ✓ Concert Band 3 – 4 p.m.
- ✓ Yoga class 3:00 – 3:45 in the gym
- ✓ Parent Ambassador Meeting 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria

TUESDAY: December 1st

Altar Servers: Maggie, Isabella A., Isabella M.

- ✓ Student Council meeting – officers and representatives
- ✓ Art Studio 3:00 in Room 108
- ✓ School Advisory Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m. in the rectory

WEDNESDAY: December 2nd

Altar Servers: Roswell, Chris K., Don

- ✓ 1:45 dismissal – Faculty Meeting
- ✓ 8:30 all school liturgy
- ✓ Cadet Band 7 – 7:45 a.m.
- ✓ Preschool – 1st grade in house field trip – Scales and Tales 9:45 a.m.

THURSDAY: December 3rd

Altar Servers: Daniel, Gail, Gia

- ✓ Cardinal Choir Practice 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. in Room 109
- ✓ Concert Band 7 – 7:45 a.m.
- ✓ Art Studio 3:00 in Room 108

FRIDAY: December 4th

Altar Servers: Lina, Toni, Johnny

- ✓ All School Field Trip – Holiday Concert at Resurrection High School
- ✓ Dress in Christmas attire
- ✓ Art Studio 3:00 in Room 108
- ✓ Family School Association – Family Christmas Party 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria

SATURDAY: December 5th

SUNDAY: December 6th

Please refer to the school website www.sthilarychicago.org
for all basketball practices and games.

Recycling Contest!

November 30 – December 4

Saint Hilary School is still in the PepsiCo Recycling Contest for a chance to win \$50,000!

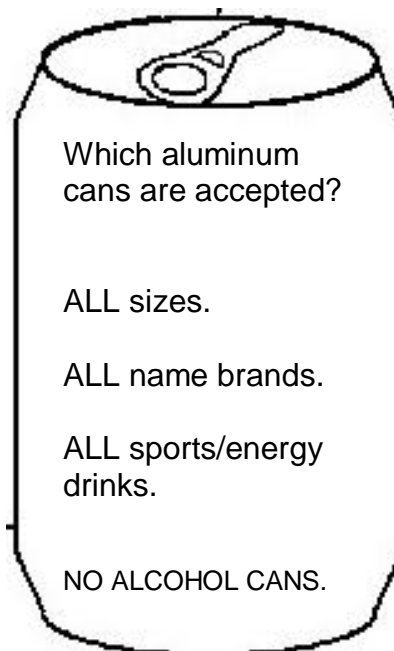
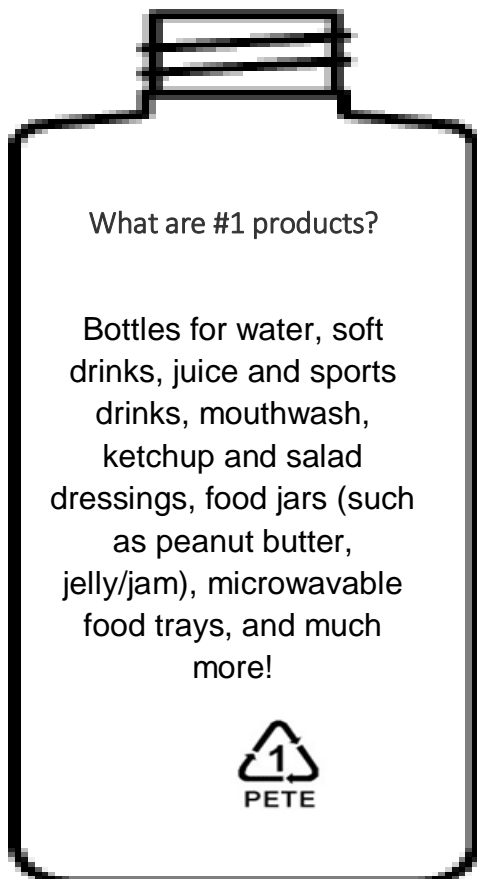
Bring in all the aluminum cans, water bottles, and other #1 plastic that you have been saving since our last contest. Please make sure they are emptied and rinsed out. No bottles or cans from alcohol are permitted.

Bring the recyclables to your homeroom during the week of the contest. The recycling will be weighed each day and at the end of the week the homeroom that brings in the most will win an OUT OF UNIFORM PASS (cookies for pre-k). There will be a first floor and second floor winner.

Keep saving after the contest. The PepsiCo recycling contest goes on all year and there will be more friendly competitions throughout the year so that we can collect as much as possible. Currently we are in 28th place. Last year we came in 8th place out of 69 in the nation. Let's try to beat last year's number!

What do I do with the pop tabs?

Place the tabs in a plastic bag and turn into to the school office. The kindergarten is collecting them for the Ronald McDonald House.





ALL – SCHOOL HOLIDAY FIELD TRIP
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2015

St. Hilary School will be attending a Holiday Concert on Friday, Dec. 4th. The music departments from Resurrection and Notre Dame High School will host this special holiday music performance. We will be leaving school at approximately 9:30 a.m. and returning at approximately 12:30 p.m.

Students will be asked to bring a bag lunch and will be eating lunch when we return. All students are asked to come dressed in Christmas attire or red and green. This is not a dress down day but a dress up day, no jeans, sweats, t-shirts, or hoodies will be allowed.

The performance itself is free; however, we will be traveling by bus and the cost of the bus is \$ 3.00. Please complete the bottom portion of this permission slip and return to school by Tuesday, December 1st with the payment.

I give my child, _____ permission to travel by bus to attend a Holiday Concert on Dec. 4, 2015 at Resurrection High School.

Student name

Homeroom

Parent Signature



Contact number (in case of emergency)

Date



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St. Hilary School K-8 LunchSmart Menu December 2015

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| | December 1 Teriyaki Chicken Brown Rice* Sliced Carrots Mixed Fruit | December 2 Turkey Ham & Cheese Melt* Broccoli Florets Pineapple Snickerdoodle Cookie* | December 3 Chicken Bowl with Mashed Potatoes & Corn* Applesauce Dinner Roll* | December 4 All-Beef Hot Dog on a Bun* Kettle-Baked Beans Pears |
| <i>Weekly Salad Special: Chicken Caesar Salad with Croutons & Breadstick* / Spotlight Fruit of the Week: Clementine + Other Fruits as Shown on Menu</i> | | | | |
| December 7 BBQ Rib Sandwich on a Bun* Corn Peaches | December 8 Turkey Soft Tacos* with Salsa Refried Beans Mixed Fruit | December 9 Waffle Sticks* with Yogurt Baby Carrots Pineapple | December 10 Spaghetti* with Homemade Meat Sauce Broccoli Florets Applesauce | December 11 Cheesy Pizza* Green Beans Pears |
| <i>Weekly Salad Special: Crispy Chicken Salad & Breadstick* / Spotlight Fruit of the Week: Grapes + Other Fruits as Shown on Menu</i> | | | | |
| December 14 Chicken Tenders* with BBQ Dipping Sauce Kettle-Baked Beans Sliced Carrots / Peaches Breadstick* | December 15 Turkey Ham & Cheese Melt* Sweet Potato Waffle Fries Mixed Fruit  | December 16 Cranberry-Orange Chicken* Scalloped Potatoes Green Peas / Pineapple Honey Wheat Dinner Roll* Snickerdoodle Cookie* | December 17 Lasagna Roll-Up* Or Breaded Chicken Sandwich Broccoli Pears Garlic Bread* | December 18 No School |
| <i>Weekly Salad Special: Chef Salad with Croutons & Breadstick* / Spotlight Fruit of the Week: Fresh Melon on December 16 + Other Fruits as Shown on Menu</i> | | | | |
| December 21 | December 22 | December 23 | December 24 | December 25 |
| Winter Break | | |  | |
| <i>Weekly Salad Special: Apple-Cranberry Chicken Salad with Pretzels* / Fruits as Shown on Menu</i> | | | | |

Additional Entrées Offered Daily

Monday – Pepperoni French Bread Pizza* / **Tuesday** – Chicken Nuggets* with Twisted Breadstick & BBQ Dipping Sauce / **Wednesday** – All-American Cheeseburger on a Bun* / **Thursday** – Chicken Corn Dog* / **Friday** – Breaded Chicken Sandwich* / Sunbutter & Jelly Sandwich with a Yogurt Cup **available every day**

Salad and Fresh Fruit Available Each Day

*=Item contains whole grains / Milk contains no artificial growth hormones or antibiotics
Menu is subject to change based on availability and quality of food items
This institution is an equal opportunity provider

Go Lean with Protein

What do poultry, beans, eggs, and seeds have in common? They are all considered to be proteins. Foods that fall into this category supply many beneficial nutrients including magnesium, iron, zinc, B vitamins, and vitamin E. The key is to choose lean proteins instead of proteins that are high in saturated fat and cholesterol. The amount of protein you need to eat depends upon your age, gender, and level of physical activity.



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WARMEST HOLIDAY GREETINGS!

Dear St. Hilary Parent(s) and Guardian(s),

As we begin another holiday season, we realize as families and as a school community, that we have many things to be thankful for here at St. Hilary.

Every day, our faculty and staff guide and teach our children, and emphasize the importance of our Catholic faith. Many of our children receive instruction from four to eight teachers per week: including their homeroom teacher, the safety provided by our crossing guards, as well as receiving the support of our office staff, and the staff in our cafeteria.

With this in mind, we are inviting you to participate in the 14th Annual St. Hilary Christmas Fund to benefit our teachers and staff. In lieu of purchasing individual holiday gifts for each teacher, we are hoping you will consider making a donation to the Christmas Fund. This is a donation to a fund from which we disburse cash gifts to the teachers, staff and support personnel at their Christmas Luncheon with Fr. Aloy.

We encourage you to donate to this fund. There is no limit to the amount you can give, from \$1—\$500; any donation is greatly appreciated! The amount you give is kept completely confidential and is entirely at your discretion. We also encourage you to have your child(ren) write notes to his/her teachers telling them that they donated to the Christmas Fund. It is a wonderful way to show your support of our exceptional faculty and staff at St. Hilary.

In closing, we would like to say that we do acknowledge the fact that we have all been hit by this difficult economy. We would still like to give something to the teachers to show our appreciation for all their hard work. Again, any donation you give will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Donovan and the Christmas Fund Committee



ST. HILARY CHRISTMAS FUND 2015

Enclosed is our donation of \$_____ for the teachers and staff of St. Hilary.

You may enclose, cash, money order, or a personal check (payable to St. Hilary School). Please return to school no later than Friday, Dec. 11th in an envelope marked "Christmas Fund". Thank you very much!!