

Where faith, family, and academics thrive!

Dear Parent/Guardian.

March 2, 2016

Lent is a special time when you can share the concepts of prayer and giving with your children. Take family time each day to offer devotional prayers. Consider as a family how you might help others in need by giving of your time or resources. Even very young children can understand and will enjoy participating in the process.

Congratulations:

Congratulations to Ms. Rath who will be a published author in the April edition of Today's Catholic Teacher magazine! She will be featured in the "Great ideas" page. We are very proud of her!!

Thank You:

Thank you to the 1st and 7th grade faith partners for hosting our family mass on Sunday. It is so important to see our children expressing their faith and participating in the liturgy. Thanks to Ms. Montemurro, Ms. Rath, and Mr. Andre for coordinating this mass. During mass a 2nd collection was taken to assist our Lenten mission of helping the people of Flint, MI. Thank you for your extremely generous donations.

I wanted to update you on our Lenten Service Project collecting Pennies for Patients in conjunction with the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. After three weeks the students and families have collected \$8,809.19! Your generosity is incredibly amazing and deeply appreciated. I am so proud of the kindness that St. Hilary continues to show to others in need. A huge thank you to Ms. Montemurro who was instrumental in coordinating all the events/activities for this fund-raising effort!!!

We have an opportunity to offer soccer classes here at school. Children from 3 years old to 8th grade can participate. Super SoccerStars are able to offer a demo class to show children and parents more about their program. I am happy to bring these classes to our school if the interest is there. See the flyer in today's envelope for more information. Please RSVP to Mrs. Donovan by Friday, March 11th if you are interested in the demo class.

The end of the 3rd quarter is Friday, March 11th. All financial obligations must be up-to-date by that point. The exclusion date for this quarter is Wednesday, March 16th. Report cards will be going home on Friday, March 18th.

Reminders:

The Men's Club Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner/Auction will be held on Sat. March 5th. The children have created amazing items for the auction; hope you have had a chance to take a sneak peek at them on the auction site. If you have not yet visited the site, here is the link www.32auctions.com/0216 Just a reminder that the on-line auction closes at midnight tonight. To continue to bid on your treasure and ensure that you are a winner please consider attending this wonderful evening of delicious food and entertainment. See the flyer in today's envelope for more details.

Registration for the 2016-2017 school year has begun. This year we will be implementing a new on-line registration process. It is our hope that this will make registrations easier for you and help us to keep all information compiled more efficiently. If we have a current email address on file for you, you should have received an email from Infosnap with a personal "Snap Code" that you will need to complete the on-line registration form. The link to register is https://secure.infosnap.com/family/message.aspx?code=actionprivate.

You received the traditional Powerschool Student Data form to reregister last week if you would like to use that option. Please review the form, make any necessary corrections, complete the tuition payment preference form, and return these forms to school with the \$100.00 registration fee. The registration fee will increase to \$200.00 for any registration after March 11, 2016. Thank you to the many families who have already completed their registration. We are very fortunate to have new prospective families inquiring about seats for next year, spaces may soon be limited so please be proactive and register early.

This year, once again, St. Hilary will be utilizing the FACTS management program for our financial aid process. There is a link on our school's website for the FACTS program. This is the same organization that serves as our tuition management program. It is more efficient for everyone to incorporate both of these services in one program. The application is now available for you. Please see the letter in today's envelope for more details.

Don't forget to tell a friend about St. Hilary and as a thank you, you will receive a \$100.00 tuition credit on your December tuition statement pending enrollment of the referred family. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

The end of the second academic trimester is March 11th. Please make sure your financial obligations to Saint Hilary are taken care of in a timely manner. 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, March 16th.

Please note 8th graders must be paid in full by May. Failure to complete payment will result in loss of participation in 8th grade events/activities and possibly graduation. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. If your account is current, I thank you!

Contents of this Wednesday's envelope:

- SCP flyer
- LLS flyer
- Men's Club flyers
- Women's Club "Goodies" flyer
- Recycling Contest flyer
- Book Fair flyer
- Soccer flyer

Mark your calendars:

- Sat. March 5th Men's Club Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner/Auction
- March 7 11 Recycling Contest: Parish v. School
- Fri. March 11th end of the 2nd trimester
- Sun. March 13th 2nd & 8th grades host 10:00 a.m. Family Mass
- March 15 20 FSA Spring Book Fair
- Fri. March 18th Report cards come home
- Sat. March 19th 2nd grade Communion retreat

Emergency Closing/Cold Weather

Cold weather: Students will be kept in for indoor recess when the temperature is below 25 degrees (actually or with wind chill) or in wet rainy/snowy conditions. Please make sure your child comes prepared to go outdoors – gloves, scarf, hat or hood. This is especially true of those who are on patrol.

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 780 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

<u>www.EmergencyClosings.com</u>. Our website <u>www.sthilarychicago.org</u> 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.

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

Mrs. Kathie Donovan, Principal

A Peek at the Week

Week of March 7 - 11

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

MONDAY: March 7th Altar Servers: Maggie, Tam

- ✓ Religious Education classes
- ✓ Cadet Band 7 7:45 a.m.
- ✓ Concert Band 3-4 p.m.

TUESDAY: March 8th

Altar Servers: Roswell, Katrina

- √ No Student Council meeting
- ✓ Art Studio 3:00 4:00 p.m. in Room 108
- ✓ Battle of the Books 3:00 3:45 in Room 204

WEDNESDAY: March 9th

Altar Servers: Gabby, Thao

- ✓ Family & School Association meeting 7:00 p.m. in cafeteria
- ✓ 8:30 all school mass
- ✓ Battle of the Books 3:00 3:45 in Room 204
- ✓ Cadet Band 3:00 4:00 p.m. in Room 109

THURSDAY: March 10th

Altar Servers: Truc, Liam

- ✓ Art Studio 3:00 4:00 p.m. in Room 108
- ✓ Concert band 7:00 7:50 a.m. in Room 109
- ✓ Choir 3:00 4:00 p.m. in Room 109

FRIDAY: March 11th

Altar Servers: Gail, Christine L.

- ✓ End of 2^{nd} trimester all financial obligations must be met
- ✓ Art Studio 3:00 4:00 p.m. in Room 108

SATURDAY: March 12th

Altar Servers: 8:30 a.m. volunteers

5:00 p.m. Gabby, Zheous, Nicholas

SUNDAY: March 13th

Altar Servers: 8:00 a.m. Thao, Lina, Phuc

10:00 a.m. Maggie, Nora, Liam 12:00 Noon Brandon, Willy, Toni

RECYCLING CONTEST

Parish vs. School

Who can bring in the most recycling this week???

Please join us at the 10:00 a.m. Family Mass on Sun. March 13th 2nd and 8th grade Faith Partners will host this mass





Dear Parents and Guardians of St. Hilary Students,

Please plan to attend the Men's Club Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner and Silent Auction on Saturday, March 5th, beginning at 5:00 pm in the Vacala Auditorium. This event is the Men's Club's primary fundraiser, among numerous efforts held throughout the year. The fundraising allows us to support the athletic programs of St. Hilary School and defray the cost of participation up to 60% for each student-athlete.

As has been the case the last several years, the Silent Auction will include artwork prepared by each class. These items will be available in an on-line bidding website in advance of the event. Please look for a link on the school's website early next week. Bidding will then continue on these items at the event, as well as bidding on sports apparel, liquor and wine baskets, and a 40" HD TV.

Tickets for the Dinner and Silent Auction are \$30 each and will be available in the school office, the Rectory and at the door on the night of the event.

We hope to see you at this fun and important event!!

Daryl McNabb

St. Hilary Men's Club President





ST. HILARY ATHLETICS & ST. HILARY
MEN'S CLUB
ST. PATRICK'S DAY
CORNED BEEF DINNER
SILENT AUCTION & SPORTS PROGRAM
FUNDRAISER.

SATURDAY MARCH 5, 2016 ST. HILARY CAFETERIA & GYM, DOORS OPEN 5:00 P.M. IRISH MUSIC & DANCE, CASH BAR.

Raffles pull tabs.

Auction Items:

Sports Tickets, Apparel & Memorabilia, Projects Created
by each Classroom
and much more.

TICKETS \$ 30.00. RESERVATIONS TABLES OF 8 OR MORE.

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT SCHOOL OFFICE, CHURCH

RECTORY, ALSO THE NIGHT OF THE EVENT.

Daryl McNabb 773.633.0980, damcnabb@sbcglobal.net

All are Welcome!!!

Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinners-to-Go

If you cannot make the Annual Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner consider ordering Dinners to-Go to help support the St Hilary Sports Program.

- ♣ Meals come in a microwaveable takeout container. Corned Beef Potato Cabbage Carrots Rye Bread Package Knife, Fork, Napkin
- ♣ Dinners-to-Go are available for pickup Saturday March 5, 2016 between 5 and 7 PM at the Order Pick-Up Station in the Gymnasium.
- ♣ Dinners-to-Go for home delivery are delivered Saturday afternoon March 5, 2016 between 1 and 4 PM. Deliveries only within the parish boundaries Western, Foster, Petersen, and Pulaski (including North Park Village.



Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinners-to-Go			
Name:			
Phone:			
Address:			
# Dinners			
Pick-ups are available Saturday March 5, 5-7PM at Gymnasium Entrance (\$12/Meal)			
Home Delivery Saturday March 5, 1-4 PM (\$15/Meal)			
Total \$ Cash Check			
Put a filled order form with payment in an envelope marked "CORNED BEEF DINNER TO GO" and drop at Parish			
Office by Friday, March 4, 2016.			
♣ DINNERS-to-GO must be Pre-Paid			
A Deliveries only within the parish boundaries Western, Foster, Petersen, Pulaski (including North Park Village).			



USE SCP'S FOR ALL YOUR ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER NEEDS!

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* Email KATHY ERNST at: ernst@sthilarychicago.org

CERTIFICATES USUALLY ON HAND:

CERTIFICATE ORDERS RECEIVED BY FRIDAY WILL BE AVAILABLE ON TUESDAY OF THE FOLLOWING WEEK:

RESTAURANTS:		RETAIL:		
		Bath & Body Works (6.5% rebate)	\$10	
Burger King (2% rebate)	\$10	Best Buy (1.5% 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% rebate)	\$25	
I Hop (4%rebate)	\$25	Gordon Food Service (1.5% rebate)	\$25	
Kentucky Fried Chicken (4.5% rebate)	\$5	Home Depot (2% rebate)	\$25	
Lettuce Entertain You Restaurants (6.5% rebate)	\$25	Jewel-Osco (2% rebate)	\$25	
Lou Malnatis (3.5% rebate)	\$25	Jewel-Osco (2% rebate)	\$100	
Panera Bread (4.5% rebate)	\$10	Lowe's Home (2% rebate)	\$25	
Olive Garden/Red Lobster (4.5% rebate)	\$25	Marianos (2% rebate)	\$25	
Panera Bread (4.5% rebate)	\$10	Marshall's/T J Maxx(3.5% rebate)	\$25	
Pizza Hut (4% rebate)	\$10	Muller Meats (3% rebate)	\$20	
Starbucks Coffee (3.5% rebate)	\$10	Old Navy,Gap,Banana Republic (2% rebate)	\$25	
Subway (1.5% rebate)	\$10	Ross (5% rebate)	\$25	
Wendy's (2% rebate)	\$10	Toy-R-Us (1.5% rebate)	\$20	
		Walgreens (3% rebate)	\$25	
SPECIALTY:		Wal-mart (1.25% rebate)	\$25	
AMC-Cineplex-Sony-Lowes Theaters (4% rebate)	\$25			
AMC-Cineplex-Sony-Lowes Theaters (4.5% rebate)	\$9			
Fannie May (12% rebate)	\$20			
Tunes (1.5% rebate)	\$25			
Mobil/Exxon (0.50% rebate)	\$50			
Shell Debit Card (1% rebate)	\$25			
Shell Debit Card (1% rebate)	\$100	ST. HILARY GIFT CERTIFICATE		
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CERTIFICATE ORDERS (FROM BOTTOM SECTION)	RECEIVED BY FRIDAY W	ILL BE AVAILABLE ON TUESDAY OF THE FOLLOWING WEEK:		
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Boston Market (6.5% rebate)	\$10	Bed, Bath & Beyond (3% rebate)	\$25	
Buffalo Wild Wings (3.5% rebate)	\$25	Build A Bear (4% rebate)	\$25	
Eduardo's Pizza (4% rebate)	\$10	Crate & Barrel (3% rebate)	\$25	
Houlihan's (4% rebate)	\$25	CVS Pharmacy (2% rebate)	\$25	
Mrs. Fields Cookies (9% rebate)	\$10	Eddie Bauer (4.5% rebate)	\$25	
Outback Steakhouse (4% rebate)	\$25	Express (5.0% rebate)	\$25	
Red Robin (4.5% rebate)	\$25	Foot Locker (4% rebate)	\$25	
		Hair Cuttery (4% rebate)	\$10	
SPECIALTY:		J C Penneys (2% rebate)	\$25	
		Land's End (7% rebate)	\$25	
Barnes & Noble (4% rebate)	\$10	Lane Bryant (4% rebate)	\$25	
B P Gas (.50% rebate)	\$50	Mario Tricoci (4% rebate)	\$25	
Chuck E. Cheese (4% rebate)	\$20	Menard's (1.5% rebate)	\$25	
Honey Baked Ham (4.5% rebate)	\$25	Office Depot (2% rebate)	\$25	
Hyatt Hotels (4% rebate)	\$25	Office Max (2.5% rebate)	\$25	
Oberweis (4.5% rebate)	\$10	Payless Shoes (6.5% rebate)	\$10	
Timber Ridge Lodge (4.5% rebate)	\$25	Pier 1 Imports (4.5% rebate)	\$20	
	,	Pottery Barn/Wm. Sonoma (4% rebate)	\$25	
		Shutterfly (4.5% rebate)	\$25	
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WILL PICK-UP AT SCHOOL		Please make checks payable to: St. Hilary School		
*PLEASE NOTE: St. Hilary School & its Board cannot be held responsible for any loss that may occur in				
transit.		ROOM #		
Any Questions, Call Kathy Ernst (773) 989-9249.				



Parish Verses School Recycling Contest!

The Week of March 7-11

The winner will receive . . . bragging rights!

If the school wins, ALL students will earn a special "blue and green" out of uniform day.

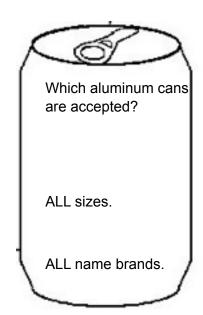
If the parish wins, the students will make congratulatory can Students should bring

BRING IN ALL ALUMINUM CANS, WATER BOTTLES, AND OTHER #1 PLASTIC. BOTTLES OR CANS FROM ALCOHOL ARE <u>NOT</u> PERMITTED. their recycling to their homerooms.

Parishioners, please drop off your recycling in the blue recycling bins in the LARGE parking lot, outside school door #6.



Bottles for water, soft drinks, juice and sports drinks, mouthwash, ketchup, salad dressings, food jars (such as peanut butter, jelly/jam), microwavable food trays, and much more!





We are still in the running for the PepsiCo recycling contest. Please help us out!!!



Thank you very much for your contributions to our LLS Fundraiser!

We raised the most money yet in our 3 years of partnering with the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

There are not enough words for me to say to express my gratitude!

Know that you have all helped in some way to help find a cure for cancer.

Kindly, Ms. Montemurro

GOODIES GALORE!

The St. Hilary Women's Club

will hold its annual

Spring Bake Sale

the weekend of March 5th & 6th

in the California vestibule of the church after all the Masses.

Bakers are asked to prepare their fabulous goodies and bring them to the California vestibule after 4 p.m. on Saturday the 5th, before masses on Sunday the 6th, or they can be dropped off at school on Friday the 4th.

Donations to help fill the "Spirits" baskets would be appreciated and may be dropped off at the Rectory before Thurs. the 3rd.

Don't forget to stop by to purchase your favorite sweets for the holidays and take a chance on several generous liquor baskets.



Service hours are available for baked items





SPRING SOCCER CLASSES at St. Hilary School!



Coming Soon!

Stay tuned for dates & times!

Contact Kathy for info about

free demo class

We're excited to announce that Chicago's fastest growing soccer development program for children is joining our offerings this season! At Super Soccer Stars, dynamic coaches work with every student to develop skills, self-esteem, and teamwork in a fun, non-competitive environment.

Positive reinforcement and low child-to-coach ratios ensure that each child will improve his or her skills through engaging warm-ups, activities, and games—all while having endless fun! Each child receives a t-shirt with registration. Come get the ball rolling today!



Questions? Contact: chicago@supersoccerstars.com 312.477.5877 chi.supersoccerstars.com @ILSuperSoccer



Dear Parents and Families:

Reading for pleasure unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are. Here's what you can do to help children develop stronger reading skills and a love for reading:

- Set the example. Let children see you read.
- Have a collection of books in your home. Update this collection routinely to keep pace with changing tastes and reading skills.
- Support our school's Book Fair. Allow your children to choose their own books to read.

Our Scholastic Book Fair is on its way! This reading event that brings the books kids want to read right into our school and turns the gym into our very own bookstore. It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level, as well as books of interested to parents. And, during the fair, you can donate books to your child's classroom and help fulfill our teachers' wish lists.

The Book Fair will be open on the following dates:

March 16, during school hours

March 17 & 18 during school hours

March 20

Previews for students and teachers

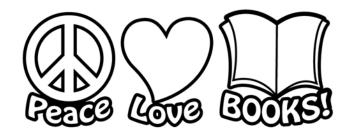
Student shopping days

Open to parish and community

Please make plans to visit our Book Fair and be involved in shaping your child's reading habits. We look forward to seeing you and your family at our Book Fair! Remember, all purchases benefit St. Hilary School.

Sincerely, The Book Fair Committee





Volunteer at Our Groovy Book Fair!

Volunteer to help kids enjoy our spring Book Fair — an exciting celebration of reading with hundreds of fun, engaging, affordable books for kids to discover. Helping at the book fair is a fun way to fulfill your service hours.

Join our volunteer team to

- · Set up and/or pack up the Book Fair
- · Assist students making wish lists during Preview Day
- Sell books and fill orders
- Organize and put things in place
- · Help shoppers of all ages find the perfect book

A great Book Fair can never have too many volunteers! If you have some time to help us, please contact Maria Hench at mariahench@gmail.com or 773-620-0642 or visit our VolunteerSpot page at http://vols.pt/wW4LqK to view available spots and sign up.

We appreciate your support in whatever form it takes!

Available Volunteer Days & Times

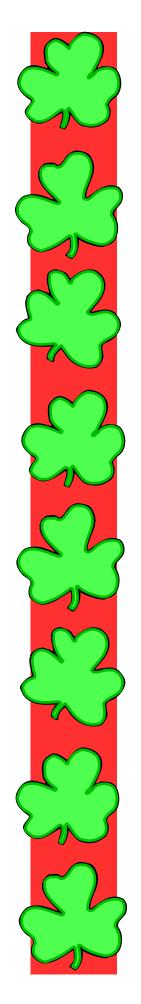
Tuesday, March 15	Set up	7 – 9 p.m.
Wednesday, March 16	Preview day	9 – 11:30 a.m.; 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.
Thursday, September 10	Selling day	8 – 11 a.m.; 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.
Friday, September 11	Selling day	8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Sunday, September 13	Selling day	8:45 – 10:45 a.m.; 10:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.; 12:45 – 2:45 p.m.
	Pack up and clean up	1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

*On Wednesday through Friday, volunteers must sign in at the office before proceeding to the gym. Volunteers who work Wednesday through Friday must have completed VIRTUS training.

**On Sunday, 2-hour time slots are available throughout the day. Please bring your own snack/lunch if you plan to work the entire day on Sunday.

Please bring your service hour cards on the day you volunteer to receive credit for working.







Family & School Association meeting

Wednesday, March 9
7 to 8 p.m.
School cafeteria

See you at the monthly meeting of the St. Hilary Family & School Association. All school parents and guardians are members of the FSA. Please join us and bring a friend!

Please mark your calendars for our April 13 meeting where we will host a Pampered Chef fundraiser to benefit St. Hilary!

