

Dear Parent/Guardian,

May 17, 2017

We did it!! The playground dream has become a reality because we came together as a community to make it happen. There are not enough words to express my gratitude to everyone who made this possible. This has been a long journey and many people have helped along the way whether you contributed to the writing of the grant, the interview process, the design day, the many committees, the weekly conference calls, prep days, and finally the build day this would not have been possible without you. The greatest reward is seeing the smiles and faces of our children as they play! I hope that you are able to enjoy this space with your child for many years to come.

Our year is quickly coming to an end and plans are already in the works for our next school year. In today's envelope you will see a list of important dates for the 2017-2018 school year. A full calendar will be sent home in August. One change for next year will be our early dismissals on Wednesday, for the 2017-2018 school year we will be dismissing at 2:00 pm every Wednesday. The faculty will be meeting each week rather than just once a month so that we can improve our curriculum, instructional strategies, forms of assessment, and do some deep dives into data. The end result is to continue to learn and collaborate to bring your child the best education possible. Thank you for your support and understanding.

Thank you:

Today 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 Mrs. Donnelly, Mrs. Frank, Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Stevenson, Mrs. Czuba, and Mr. Sirgiovanni who definitely pitched in and lent a helping hand. This is a wonderful example of how St. Hilary works with the community to help make it a better place.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our recycling efforts. Here are some numbers and data for you to see:

St. Hilary recycled 102,174 pieces of recycling (#1 plastic and aluminum cans) this year, our goal was 100,000. Way to go!!!

In 2015 - 2016 the total recycling was approximately 75,000.

102,174 pieces is approximately 5,782 pounds. As a community, we have saved 1,193 gallons of fuel, as well as 184 trees for 10 years.

We came in 1st place in Illinois which is a huge accomplishment and 18th place in the country. We will be receiving \$1,000.00. Thank you for helping us to help our Earth.

Congratulations:

Last week 12 of our students represented St. Hilary at the Annual Battle of the Books. This year 50 students from 3rd – 8th grade spent a few months reading numerous books, taking quizzes, and participating in book discussions. All of the battle participants worked very hard through this process. Team Winget represented St. Hilary, those students were; Caitlin, Zheous, Janine, Claire, Aelaika, Josephine, Madison, Nicholas, Toni, Maliah, Christine L., and Rianne. We came in 1st place tied with St. Mary of the Woods, this is the first time there was a tie for 1st place. What an amazing battle, we are so proud of all of you. A special thank you to Mrs. Donnelly, who has been our coordinator for a number of years; and to Dr. Lida and Mrs. Gray, who were instrumental in assisting Mrs. Donnelly. Thank you also to Mrs. Abalos for chaperoning and to Fr. Aloy for coming to support the team.

Reminder:

With the year quickly coming to a close I ask that your tuition balance is current. 8th graders tuition must be paid in full by May 15th or your child will be excluded from events and activities, including participating in graduation. Preschool and kindergarten children will be excluded from the end of the year celebrations if their tuition account is not paid.

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 testament to St. Hilary School is priceless and we truly appreciate your continued support and dedication! Help us spread the Good News about all that we have to offer our children.

If you would like to apply for financial assistance or any scholarships for the 2017-2018 school year you need to begin the process by completing the FACTS financial assistance application. The link to this application can be found on our website <u>www.sthilarychicago.org</u>, click on the FACTS logo on the right side to be directed to the application.

June 10th will be the St. Hilary Annual Community Fest. This year we will have our Grand Raffle at the Community Fest! More information will be coming. If you are

interested in purchasing an additional raffle ticket for a chance to win \$10,000 come to the school office or the parish office in the rectory. Tell your family, friends, and neighbors - everyone is welcome to participate. Someone will win, why not you?

Contents of this Wednesday's envelope:

- SCP flyer
- Important dates for 17-18 school year
- PE newsletter
- Community Fest flyers
- Potbelly Night flyer
- Concert flyer
- Summer tutoring flyer

Mark your calendars:

- Thurs. May 18th St. Hilary Night at Potbelly's 5:00 8:00 pm
- Thurs. May 18th Spring Concert 7:00 pm in church
 May 18th & 19th Student Council bake sale after school
- Wed. May 24th Relaxed dress down day favorite color or colors of your nationality
- Thurs. May 25th Candle Ribbon Ceremony 7:00 pm in church mandatory for all 2nd, 7th, & 8th grade students
- Fri. May 26th All school field day at Green Brier Park and Variety Show
- Mon. May 29th No School Memorial Day

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, Principal



We would love if you could take a few moments to write a review on either facebook or yelp to share your thoughts about St. Hilary School. Word of mouth is our best marketing tool! Thank you

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A Peek at the Week



WEEK OF May 22 - 26

MEMORIAL DAY

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

MONDAY: May 22 nd		
Altar Servers: Marina, Isabella A. ✓ Religious Education classes		
✓ Concert band 3:00 – 4:00 in Room 109		
\checkmark Cadet Band 7:00 – 7:45 am		
TUESDAY: May 23 rd		
Altar Servers: Gia, Camille		
✓ Student Council meeting – officers		
✓ Codas 7:10 – 7:45 am in Room 109		
WEDNESDAY: May 24 th		
Altar Servers: Zheous, Nathan		
✓ Cadet Band 7:00 – 7:45 am		
✓ 8:30 all school liturgy		
✓ Mr. L. Sirgiovanni "Principal for the Day" called a relaxed dress down day –		
dress in your favorite color or the colors of your nationality		
THURSDAY: May 25 th		
Altar Servers: Sidonie, Rianne		
✓ Concert Band 7:00 – 7:45 am		
✓ Cardinal Choir $3:00 - 4:00 \text{ pm}$		
✓ Super Soccer classes $3:10-3:50$ in the gym		
✓ Candle Ribbon Ceremony 2^{nd} , 7^{th} , & 8^{th} graders 7:00 in church		
FRIDAY: May 26 th		
Altar Servers: Katrina, Marc		
\checkmark St. Hilary Field Day at Green Brier Park in the morning		
✓ St. Hilary Variety Show in the Vacala Auditorium in the afternoon		
SATURDAY: May 27 th		
Altar Servers: 8:30 a.m. volunteers		
5:00 p.m. Sophia C., Luke, Sarah O. lector - Nora		
SUNDAY: May 28 th		
Altar Servers: 8 am Christine & Sabrina N., Thao		
10 am volunteer, Toni, Sarah O. lector – Kathryn I. 12 pm Nicholog & Medison, volunteer		
12 pm Nicholas & Madison, volunteer		
Don't forget to purchase your		
Grand Raffle Tickets for a chance at \$10,000!		
No School on Monday May 29 th		
Memorial Day		



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Important Dates for the 2017-2018 School Year

- August 21 First day of school full day of school
- September 4 No School, Labor Day
- September 22 No School, Teacher In-service day
- October 9 No School, Columbus Day
- October 12 & 13 Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences
- November 3 No School, Teacher in-service day
- November 22 24 No School, Thanksgiving Vacation
- December 22 11:30 dismissal, Christmas Vacation begins
- January 8 School resumes
- January 15 No School, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- January 26 Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences, 11:30 dismissal
- February 2 No School Teacher in-service day
- February 19 No School, President's Day
- March 29 11:30 dismissal Holy Thursday
- April 2 6 No School, Easter vacation
- April 9 School resumes
- April 16 20 ACT Aspire testing grades 3 8
- May 11 No School, teacher in-service day
- May 28 No School, Memorial Day
- June 1 8th grade Graduation
- June 8 Last day of school, early dismissal

A complete yearly calendar will be sent home in August. Dates are subject to change and will be communicated to you.



Student Council is hosting a SPRING-TASTIC bake sale after school on Thursday, May 18 and Friday, May 19 in the parking lot.



Treats such as cookies, brownies, lemonade, and much more will be available for **\$0.25-\$1.00**!



(All money raised from the bake sale will go towards supporting St. Hilary's Student Council.)



Band and Choir

2017 Spring Concert

Featuring: Joyful Noise, Cadet Band, Concert Band, Cardinal Choir, CODAs When: Thursday, 5/18/17, 7pm Where: St. Hilary Church Who can attend: Any and everyone! **Student performers will earn extra credit for their participation and preparation of this concert. Any other St. Hilary student who attends and fills out a concert slip can earn extra credit as well.**

Call times for Student performers Cadet and Concert Band: 6:30 Joyful Noise and Cardinal Choir: 6:45 Students should be at their starting places by 6:55

PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWSLETTER – MAY 2017

Exciting activities are happening in Physical Education class. We are focused on teamwork and building our fitness levels. Students are getting along well and learning why Physical Fitness is important to their health.

Our Pre – Kindergarten through 2nd Grade students have been working on teamwork while playing with the parachute. While "playing" with the parachute, students are learning why teamwork is important to being successful. Our classes are working on preforming many tricks and skills such as kneeling on the parachute to make a tent while keeping all the air "underneath" the parachute. The students are also learning science terms while playing organized "tag games" around and underneath the parachute. The students enjoy using the parachute while using the parachute while playing with their classmates as well as building the muscles and fitness levels.

The 3rd through 8th Grade students have been working hard participating in their Physical Fitness Unit. The Fitnessgram Physical Fitness Tests have replaced the Presidential Physical Fitness Test this year. While the tests have mostly stayed the same, the students are working to achieve new standards. The students are practicing and taking these tests – **Pacer Test, Curl – up Test, Push – up Test, Back Saver Sit and Reach Test,** as well as a **Distance Run.** Classes are designed for students to practice with their classmates, and then take their tests.

Please continue to encourage your children to give their best efforts in Physical Education class until the end of the school year.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Mr. Flaherty



Community Fest Volunteers Needed

The Community Fest Committee is looking for helping hands to donate food and to volunteer for our celebration on Saturday, June 10.

Available volunteer opportunities include set up, running the kids games and raffle, serving food, and clean up.

TO VIEW ALL OPPORTUNITIES AND TIMES, DONATE FOOD AND SIGN UP, GO TO OUR SIGNUP GENIUS PAGE: http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094ba4a622a0fe3-sthilary

> Ony help you can provide can go toward fulfilling your family service hours requirement for next year



St. Hilary Community Fest Food Donations

April 27, 2017



Parents and Friends of St. Hilary School,

Greetings with the Blessings of the Lord!

In the spirit of inclusiveness and diversity, the 2017 Community Fest Food Committee will once again be serving an array of food items that will not only showcase the parish's rich culture, but its commitment to maintaining a vibrant school and parish community.

The Food sub-committee members have set the lineup of quality and tasty food items that will be sold at a reasonable price between 4:00 – 8:00pm. With this as a goal and for the convenience of parents and friends, you are now able to access "Sign-Up Genius" for donations. Refer to this link :

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094ba4a622a0fe3-sthilary

The food donation/volunteer link can also be accessed on the St. Hilary Parish website. For consistency & alignment of service hours and donations, please take note of the specific container sizes to use for the food items you choose to donate.

Thank you from the mothers of alumni & student, parishioner,

Beth Cadiz Fely Cabrera Mary Choy Norma Librodo Nancy Nguyen

Note: You may contact me (Beth Cadiz) @ <u>shiudin1@yahoo.com</u> or send me a text message @ (773) 600-2591 and rest assured for my response.



Use SCPs for all your Gardening Needs!!

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* 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				
l Tunes (1.5% rebate)	\$25				
Mobil/Exxon (0.50% rebate)	\$50				
Shell Debit Card (1% rebate)	\$25				
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CERTIFICATE ORDERS (FROM BOTTOM SECTION) RECEIVED BY FRIDAY WILL BE AVAILABLE ON TUESDAY OF THE FOLLOWING WEEK:					
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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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Any Questions, Call Kathy Ernst (773) 989-9249.		······································			



FISHBOWL TUTORING

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- ✓ Interest in learning
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- \checkmark Need for challenging content

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Registration and Permission Form

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Father's Name: Work/				
IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:				
Name: Relationship:				
Work/Cell Phone:				
Please list any medical information which may be h asthma, etc.) & name of child:	elpful (allergies, diabetes,			
Parental consent for child to participate in the Totus	Tuus Program:			
Parent's Signature	Date			
VIDEOTAPING AND STILL PHOTOGRAPHS: This authorization form constitutes permission for n videotaping and/or photographs which may be taken be used for future promotional efforts, including Arr publications.	n during the program. They may			
Parent's Signature	Date	ht		
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Contact me! I would like to help!





July 16-21, 2017

at St. Benedict Parish **Grades 1-6 Monday – Friday** 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM <u>Cost: \$60 per child – t-shirt included</u> (Need to bring a bagged lunch daily) **Grades 7-12 Sunday – Thursday** 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM <u>Cost: \$20 per teen - t-shirt included</u>

Register at: https://tinyurl.com/TotusTuus2017

https://www.givecentral.org/location/34/events-listbasic//11287, 11286

Space is limited, early registration is recommended

Please contact Nancy Uczen at <u>nuczen@stbenedict.com</u> or 773-588-6484x1272 Totus tuus ego sum et omnia mea tua sunt.

GRADE SCHOOL PROGRAM

Students entering Grades 1-6 **Monday to Friday, July 16 - 21** From 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM 11:15 AM Daily Mass at St. Benedict – All are welcome Outdoor fun-break at midday \$60 registration fee per child (t-shirt included in price)

Please pack a lunch, including something to drink, for your child Monday thru Friday.

Please feel free to bring items for recess (jump ropes, balls, etc.)

We ask that each participant donate a box of cookies or crackers at the beginning of the week to share for snacks, please have your child bring it with them on Monday.

ALL YOUTH, TEENS AND PARENTS are invited to a POTLUCK DINNER on Wednesday, July 19 at 5:30pm in Beaven Hall.

JR. HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM

Students entering Grades 7-12 **Sunday to Thursday, July 16 - 20** Thursday Night – Student Social \$20 registration fee per teen (t-shirt included in price)

Again we ask that each participant donate a box of cookies or crackers to share for the week. Please have your teen bring it with them on Sunday.

Please return the registration form to the Rectory with check made out to St. Benedict Parish by July 10.

There are a variety of ways you as a parent can help out:

- Having the team for dinner, Sunday Thursday at 5:30 PM
- Providing lunch for the team members, Mon. Fri. after Mass
- Helping during the day/evening sessions
- **If you are interested, please check the box on the permission form & we'll contact you**

WHAT IS TOTUS TUUS?

The Totus Tuus parish summer catechetical program, a week-long "parish mission" for Catholic youth in the 1st through 12th grades, is dedicated to proclamation of the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith through evangelization, catechesis, apologetics, Christian witness, the sacraments,



Marian devotion, and Eucharistic worship.

Totus Tuus accomplishes this by taking college students and seminarians to engage the youth of the parish with skits, songs, games and inspiring, interactive teaching.

Totus Tuus instructs young people in the basic tenets of the Catholic faith to cultivate both a firm intellectual grounding and a solid

personal relationship with Christ.

Totus Tuus demonstrates that one can be faithful, practicing Catholic and still have fun!

TOTALLY YOURS

Totus Tuus, a Latin phrase meaning "totally yours," was the motto of the late, great Pope John Paul II. Taken from St. Louis de Montfort's work, *True Devotion to Mary*, it signifies our desire to give ourselves entirely to Jesus Christ through the hands of our Blessed Mother Mary. It also expresses our effort to give all that we have to every young person we encounter.



Totus Tuus seeks to inspire in young people a true longing for holiness, a deep desire for daily conversion, and an openness to their vocation by challenging them to give themselves entirely to Jesus Christ through Mary and by continually strengthening their prayer lives in imitation of Her.

CURRICULUM

The Totus Tuus program has divided the four pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* into a six year cycle. Additionally each summer is dedicated to the mysteries of the Rosary. In 2017, Totus Tuus will cover:

Theme: Prayer Mysteries: The Glorious Mysteries



*Organizations must be tax exempt and be able to show proof of exemption status. 40% of Net Sales made between 5PM-8PM on May 18th will be donated back to St Hilary School. Does not include Gift Card sales.