

Where faith, family, and academics thrive!

September 13, 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I am excited to welcome Ms. Yeidra Martin to our St. Hilary family as our new 3rd grade teacher. Ms. Martin has been a substitute with us since last year. She is extremely dedicated to our children and is very loyal to St. Hilary School. Ms. Martin is in her 5th year of teaching and brings experience from both Archdiocesan schools as well as Chicago Public Schools. We have been fortunate to have had Ms. Martin in our 3rd grade class since Mrs. Martin's resignation so the transition for the children will be smooth. I hope you will join me in welcoming her to our family. Thank you for your patience, trust, and understanding through this process.

I am sharing a call from the National Catholic Educational Association with you.

"Our hearts and prayers are with Catholic schools and all those affected by Hurricane Harvey. In keeping with our mission to serve others, we have been in touch with diocesan leaders in the affected storm areas to determine their needs. In addition, we have heard from others asking how they can help.

The National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA) is answering this question by launching a campaign asking every Catholic school family around the country to contribute at least \$1 per student to help Catholic schools impacted by the storm to rebuild, reopen and re-enroll students. "Student to Student: A Catholic School Response to Hurricane Harvey" is a powerful opportunity to engage students in living the Gospel message of compassionate service and generosity to others."

St. Hilary will be joining this campaign with a dress down day on Thursday, September 21st. Each student is asked to donate a minimum of \$1.00. Please see the flyer in next week's Wednesday envelope for more details.

Soup-er Stadium Challenge

The face of hunger can be anyone...and too often it is a child. One in five children does not know where his or her next meal is coming from. In Cook County, more than 729,000 people experience food insecurity, including 227,000 children. This is why the Archdiocese of Chicago has partnered with Catholic Charities, Soldier Field and Charles

Tillman's Cornerstone Foundation to launch the *Soup-er Stadium Challenge* this fall to help eliminate hunger in our community.

The Soup-er Stadium Challenge asks every Catholic school student, teacher and staff member in the Archdiocese of Chicago to donate at least one non-perishable food item to stock the Catholic Charities' food pantries. Our goal is to collect enough food to fill every seat in Soldier Field...twice. This effort will provide more than 100,000 meals to Chicagoans in need.

See letters in today's envelope and check out this link https://schools.archchicago.org/souper-stadium-challenge

Thank you:

Thank you to Mr. & Mrs. Romy for their vision to help the people in Florida affected by Hurricane Irma. What started out as one person's awareness of a need soon became a community effort that was quite overwhelming. There were people coming with donations from the western suburbs, Park Ridge, and even Wisconsin because they knew it was the right thing to do. Your response to this vision was amazing and I thank you more than you will ever know. A number of our parents stepped up to help Mr. Romy as the donations came flooding in; thank you to Mr. & Mrs. Kilroy, Mr. Kummerer, Mrs. Scarpelli, Mrs. Medina, and Mrs. Collins. Please continue to pray for the people of Florida and for Mr. & Mrs. Romy as they travel south. We look forward to hearing about the reaction of those receiving your donations.

The board members and family of the Julia Vacala Foundation presented four St. Hilary students with substantial tuition scholarships for the 2017-2018 school year last night. Julia was a member of St. Hilary Parish and a volunteer at the school. Her eleven children graduated from St. Hilary and became part of the elite alumni known as the Distinguished Graduates. Julia's children continue to honor their mother's volunteering spirit by being generous benefactors of a variety of organizations, one of which is the Vacala Scholarship for St. Hilary School and its students. They have been incredibly generous to our school over the years and we are deeply grateful for their kindness.

Thank you to the Family & School Association for an extremely successful car wash. This event was successful due to the number of volunteers that came out, it raised \$1100.00. It was wonderful to see parents, friends, and many students come together for this fun event. Please continue to support this amazing group, they are 100% focused on our kids! Their annual book fair began today, check it out!!! All parents/guardians are members (for FREE) and are welcome to attend the FSA monthly meetings, the first one is this evening.

Reminders:

The Wednesday envelope <u>will only</u> be sent home electronically this year. If you have not received the weekly email it may be because you did not complete the form with the preferred email address. Each week the Wednesday envelope is posted on the school website at <u>www.school.sthilarychicago.org</u> under parent resources.

The Archdiocese is requiring all families to either complete a Free/Reduced lunch application or the HHI survey. These are due by September 15th. Thank you to everyone who has either applied or completed the survey. The HHI survey will only take five minutes to complete and is **CONFIDENTIAL**. The survey can be accessed at https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/3580050/Federal-Funds-Eligibility-Survey. The survey is available in English, Spanish and Polish.

Thank you to all the families who have completed the pile of forms that you have received over the past couple of weeks. I understand that this can be a very tedious task and I appreciate your cooperation. If you have not yet completed and returned the forms please do so as soon as possible so that we can organize and file them appropriately.

Medical forms:

All children new to St. Hilary need medical, dental, and vision forms. Preschoolers need medical and vision forms. Kindergarteners need medical and dental forms. 2nd graders need dental forms and 6th graders need medical and dental forms. According to the Illinois State Board of Education students are to be excluded from school by October 15 if these health and immunization requirements have not been met.

Contents of this Wednesday's envelope:

- FSA flyers
- Soup-er Stadium challenge letters
- SCP flyer
- High School Fair flyer for 6th 8th graders

Mark your calendars:

- FSA Book Fair Sept. 13 17
- Thurs. Sept. 14 Soup-er Stadium Challenge begins (see enclosed letters)
- Thurs. Sept. 14 8th grade Snake Road trip
- Thurs. Sept. 14 High School Fair 6:30 in the cafeteria
- Wed. Sept. 13 Family & School Association meeting 7:00 pm in cafeteria
- Wed. Sept. 20 Altar server training 2:00 2:45 pm in church

- Thurs. Sept. 21 Dress down day for NCEA hurricane relief \$1.00 minimum donation
- Fri. Sept. 22 No School teacher professional development 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

Mrs. Kathie Donovan, Principal







A Peek at the Week

WEEK OF September 18 - 22

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

MONDAY: September 18th

Altar Servers: Gail, Marc

✓ Religious education classes

TUESDAY: September 19th

Altar Servers: Jeryl, Gia

✓ Student Council meeting – officer only

✓ CODAs 7:10 - 7:45 am in Room 109

WEDNESDAY: September 20th

Altar Servers: Adhrian, Chris

✓ 8:30 all school liturgy

✓ 2:00 dismissal

✓ Super soccer 3rd – 4th grade

✓ Altar server training 2:00 - 2:45 pm in church

✓ Mandarin Chinese classes after school

THURSDAY: September 21st

Altar Servers: Luke, Rianne

✓ Super soccer $K - 2^{nd}$ grade

✓ Dress down day - \$1.00 minimum donation for NCEA hurricane relief

✓ Cardinal Choir 3:00 – 4:00 pm in church

FRIDAY: September 22nd

Altar Servers: Don, Lina

✓ No School – Teacher In-service day

SATURDAY: September 23rd

Altar Servers: 8:30 a.m. volunteers

5:00 p.m. Zachary, Marina, Phuc

SUNDAY: September 24th

Altar Servers: 8 am Christine N., Sabrina N., A. Okafor

10 am Nora, Nicholas, Madison

12 pm Katrina, Isabella M., M. Mullen

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Catholic Schools 835 N. Rush Street Chicago, IL 60611 tel 312.534.5200 schools.archchicago.org

August 3, 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We hope you had a blessed summer and welcome you to the 2017/18 school year. We join you in praying for blessings this new school year.

As you know, our Catholic schools are grounded in academic excellence, faith development and service. Every day, you and your children serve our faith community and our interfaith neighbors by actively living out the ministries of Jesus to be compassionate, caring members of society, and for that we thank you.

As Catholics, we are called to Repair, Rebuild and Renew Our Church. In response to this appeal, we are eager to share that the Archdiocese of Chicago and Catholic Charities have partnered together to address the growing prevalence of hunger and food insecurity in our community. There is no one face to hunger – it affects children, older adults, people with disabilities, veterans, the working poor and others. More than 729,000 people in Cook County have food insecurity, including more than 227,000 children. Every year, more than 150,000 people rely on Catholic Charities network of food pantries throughout Cook and Lake Counties.

As part of our work together, we are launching a new initiative in our Catholic schools this year -- the *Soup-er Stadium Challenge*. The *Challenge* asks every Catholic school student, teacher and faculty member in the Archdiocese of Chicago to donate (at least) one non-perishable food item to stock the Catholic Charities' food pantries. Our goal is to collect enough food to fill every seat in Soldier Field...twice. This effort will provide more than 100,000 meals to Chicagoans in need. The *Challenge* kicks-off on Tuesday, September 12 and ends Friday, October 6, 2017.

As part of this initiative, our schools will also integrate a hunger curriculum into classrooms so that this effort moves beyond a food drive and is truly a learning and growing experience for your children.

You will be receiving more details regarding the *Challenge* from your schools. We hope we can count on your support of this truly important effort.

Together in Christ,

Cardinal Blase J. Cupich Archbishop of Chicago

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Rev. Monsignor Michael M. Boland

President

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago





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September 13, 2017

Dear St. Hilary Parents and Guardians,

We are thrilled to be participating in the Archdiocese of Chicago and Catholic Charities new initiative, the *Souper Stadium Challenge*, this fall, an effort to help eliminate hunger in our community. As shared in the letter from Cardinal Blase J. Cupich, Archbishop of Chicago, and Rev. Monsignor Michael M. Boland, President of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago, the *Challenge* asks every Catholic school student, teacher and staff member to donate (at least) one non-perishable food item to fill the shelves of Catholic Charities' food pantries.

The goal is to collect enough food to fill every seat in Soldier Field...twice! This collection will provide more than 100,000 meals to Chicagoans in need. The *Challenge* has support from Soldier Field and Charles Tillman, retired Chicago Bears cornerback, who has agreed to be the spokesman for the initiative.

As part of the *Challenge*, teachers will also integrate hunger and food insecurity themes into their curriculum so this initiative moves beyond a food drive and into a learning and growing experience for our school children.

As part of our participation in the *Challenge* our school will be entered into a drawing to win a variety of prizes, including autographed items from Charles Tillman, a tour of Soldier Field, an American flag that has been flown over Soldier Field, and more!

If you would like to participate in the *Challenge*, please have your child bring in his/her donation(s) to school between **Thursday**, **September 14 – Friday**, **October 6**. If you would like to make an online donation, please visit SouperStadiumChallenge.org.

Donations will be tracked weekly by our school staff. Be sure to check out the virtual tracker and watch the number of seats in Soldier Field filling up with donations from our school and schools across the Archdiocese at SouperStadiumChallenge.org.

Every single donation helps; please give what you can. Together we can help eliminate hunger and make difference in the lives of those who are most in need.

Continued blessings,

Mrs. Kathie Donovan

Principal, St. Hilary School





SEE YOU TONIGHT!

It's our first meeting of the year! Join us for light refreshments and fellowship!

Meet and catch up with other St. Hilary parents/guardians. Learn more about the Family & School Association (FSA) and events, activities, and other plans for the school year.

Every parent/guardian is an automatic member of the FSA. There are no dues. Please come and share your ideas and energy!

WHEN:

Wednesday, Sept. 13

TIME:

7 to 8 p.m.

WHERE:

School cafeteria

Enter through the gym doors on California Ave.

Door Prize: Be entered into a raffle for a **\$20 gift certificate** to the Fall Book Fair just for coming to the meeting!



The Book Fair is here!

Our gym has been transformed into our very own bookstore! We have books for all ages, including adults! We think you'll be happily surprised at the varied selection and reasonable prices. Books make great birthday and holiday gifts. Everyone is invited to stop by to browse and shop for yourself, your child, and other young relatives and friends.

SEE YOU AT THE FAIR

Wed., Sept. 13

Students will visit the fair with their classes to preview the books and make their wish lists.

Thurs., Sept. 14, and Fri., Sept. 15 Students can shop the fair during school hours. If you are sending a check with your child, please make it out to St. Hilary School.

Sun., Sept. 17

The fair will be open to the parish and community. And Clifford the Big Red Dog will be here!

Donate to our libraries

A goal of our Book Fair is to add to our classroom and school libraries. There are two ways you can help fulfill our teachers' wishes.

- Classroom Wish List: Donate books to your child's classroom in your family's name. Be sure to look for the Classroom Wish List display at the fair to see what books the teachers would love to add to their class libraries.
- All For Books: This program benefits St. Hilary as well as children in need. We are collecting spare change and dollar bills that will be used to buy more books for the libraries. Furthermore, Scholastic will match the monetary donations with a donation to two organizations dedicated to helping kids and families in need: Kids in Distressed Situations and Kids in Need Foundation. Look for the collection container when you stop by the cashier station.

DO YOU NEED SERVICE HOURS? HELP AT THE BOOK FAIR!

A great Book Fair can never have too many volunteers! Helping at the fair is a fun way to earn service hours. We have a few shifts available on Thursday, Friday and Sunday. If you have some time to help us, visit our SignUp page at http://signup.com/go/XtiwoVB or contact Maria at mariahench@gmail.com or 773-620-0642.

Thursday, September 14 Selling day 8 – 11 a.m.; 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Friday, September 15 Selling day 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Sunday, September 17 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 1:15 - 3:15 p.m.

*On Thursday and Friday, volunteers must sign in at the office before proceeding to the gym. Volunteers who work during the school day must have completed VIRTUS training.





HIGH SCHOOL NIGHT At St. Hilary

Thurs. Sept. 14th 6:30—7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria







- · Schedule your shadow days
- Learn about the opportunities at various Catholic high schools
- Put Open House dates on your calendar
- Discover financial aid opportunities
- Learn about transportation
- Ask questions
- Learn about the PEACE Educational Service program







4th—8th Grade Basketball Sign-up

Where: St. Hilary Gym

When: September 17, 2017

After 10:00 Mass, (11am-11:45am) @ the Book Fair.

Purpose:

- 1. To commit and register for the upcoming Basketball season. Basketball season starts as soon as Volleyball and Football are over.
- 2. To inform the Parents of our program and what is expected.
- 3. Gives Parents the opportunity to ask questions about the program.
- 4. Come after 10am Mass, (11-11:45) in the GYM @ the Book Fair.

Misc:

- 1. Costs: \$50.00 Activity Fee (per family) and \$50.00 per student per sport.
- 2. Forms: Emergency Contact Form, Physical, Archdiocesan Agreement.
- 3. Please e-mail, jkummerer@aol.com for additional information.



Thanking you for your support and cooperation.



Staying healthy has never been so much fun! Bring the whole family as we celebrate our community and offer information about how you can lead a healthy and safe lifestyle. We will have refreshments, activities, and children rides.

Enter Raffle to win an Adult Bicycle

Sunday, September 24, 2017 11:00 am - 3:00 pm Visit over 20 exciting health and safety related booths for information on a variety of health and safety topics including Diabetes and Nutrition.

- Blood Pressure, BMI checks.
- Cholesterol and Diabetes Screenings Quantities limited.
- Hands on CPR Classes.
- Car Safety simulation.
- Car Seat Safety checks provided by English & Spanish speaking technicians from the Office of the Secretary of State.
- Tour ambulances/ fire trucks and the Evanston Fire Department Fire Safety House.
- Learn signs & symptoms of a heart attack or stroke.
- Inflatable Sports, Obstacle Course.
- Balloon Twister, Spin Art.
- Face painting and kids games.
- BIFF (Big Inflatable Fire Fighter)
- Free Popcorn and Snow Cones
- · Live music and more

Purchase tickets for Raffle Prizes. Henna Tattoos and food items.

Register for a chance to win an Adult Bicycle.

Join us.

355 Ridge Avenue, Evanston, Illinois 60202 Tel: 847.316.4000



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	
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AMC Cincolor Sony Louis 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			
Shell Debit Card (1% rebate)	\$100	ST. HILARY GIFT CERTIFICATE		
U.S. Postage Stamps 20 @ .49¢ (0% rebate)	8.8	CHOOSE THE AMOUNT \$		
CERTIFICATE ORDERS (FROM BOTTOM SECTION) RECEIVED BY FRIDAY WILL BE AVAILABLE ON TUESDAY OF THE FOLLOWING WEEK:				
RESTAURANTS:	\$10	RETAIL:		
	\$10			
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		\$25	
		Menard's (1.5% rebate)		
Honey Baked Ham (4.5% rebate)	\$25	Office Depot (2% rebate)	\$25	
Hyatt Hotels (4% rebate)	\$25	Office Max (2.5% rebate)		
Oberweis (4.5% rebate)	\$10	Payless Shoes (6.5% rebate)		
Timber Ridge Lodge (4.5% rebate)	\$25	Pier 1 Imports (4.5% rebate)		
		Pottery Barn/Wm. Sonoma (4% rebate)		
		Shutterfly (4.5% rebate)	\$25	
Please note: When one or more companies are listed together, the certificates are g	Sports Authority (4% rebate)	\$25		
		Target (1.00% rebate)	\$25	
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ORDER TOTAL \$				
SEND WITH STUDENT *		PHONE NUMBER		
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.				