



March 7, 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian,

“As we continue on the Way towards the hill of Calvary, we want to become more like Christ. We seek to give ourselves to others without measure, and this means that we imitate the fidelity of God without measure and without counting the cost. To do this is nothing more than for us to “change into Christ”.”

**Prayers:**

On Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Marcy Weiner will have surgery to have a brain tumor removed. She is currently in Texas for this surgery and will remain there for a few weeks to undergo treatment and to recover. Please keep her in your prayers. We are looking forward to having her back with us next year – happy, smiling, and healthy – as always.

On Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Carol Wolf will have hip replacement surgery. I ask that you keep her in your prayers and we look forward to welcoming her back shortly.

I am happy to welcome Mrs. Cristina Villavicencio (Machuca) to our staff. Mrs. Villavicencio has been a long time parent here at St. Hilary and she will fill Mrs. Ernst's position in the office. In addition, she will be covering for Mrs. Wolf during her medical leave.

**Thank you:**

Thank you to Ms. Montemurro and Mrs. Collins for hosting a special LLS movie night on Friday. The kids had a great time together for this special unique opportunity.

Thank you to Ms. L. and the 40 St. Hilary choir members who gave up a Saturday to attend the Pueri Cantores Festival at Holy Name Cathedral. They spent the day learning very difficult music and then performed to a crowded cathedral, finishing the day celebrating our faith together in mass. They made us extremely proud with their wonderful behavior and angelic voices!!!

The "Amazing Women" of the St. Hilary Women's Club want you all to know how much we appreciated your participation in our bake sale last weekend. Whether you donated some goodies or came and bought something we are very grateful. Needless to say, the event was a big success. Thank you!

### **Special Recognition:**

We are extremely fortunate to have a dedicated staff who goes above and beyond for our children and St. Hilary every day. I ask that you consider nominating one of our own for the Heart of the School Award.

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### **Help Wanted:**

This position is available starting NOW: recess supervisor - hours 11:00 – 12:45 Monday – Friday – minimum wage. All compliance paperwork must be in place or started before that day. If you are interested in this position or know of someone who may be please email or call me as soon as possible. This may be a great opportunity for someone retired or a stay at home mom/dad.

### **FSA-KidsStuff books:**

Our wonderful Family & School Association is selling KidStuff coupon books. This coupon book usually sells for \$25.00 but has been reduced to \$15.00 a piece. This is the last year for the physical book, next year it will be digital through an app. The sale will last two weeks. Please see the flyer in today's envelope.

## Reminder:

The deadline to order your 2017-2018 yearbook has been extended. All orders will be due on Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup>. Don't miss your chance to order your very own copy. The Yearbook Committee has been hard at work making this the best one yet.

**The registration fee will increase to \$200.00 for any registration after March 10, 2018.** Thank you to the many families who have already completed their registration, we look forward to another wonderful year with your child.

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.

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 was March 2nd 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 14th.**

**\*\*Families whose financial obligation is not paid in full by the end of the year will have their 2018-2019 registration put on hold until payment is made. \*\***

**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:

- Pep Rally flyer
- Holy Thursday flyer
- Men's Club flyer
- KidStuff flyer
- FSA flyers
- St. Hilary Literary Magazine flyer
- Heart of the School flyer

### Mark your calendars:

- Fri. March 9 – Report cards go home, Yearbook orders due
- Sat. March 10 – Men's Club Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner/Auction
- Sun. March 11 – Daylight Savings Time
- Tues. March 13 – School Advisory Board meeting
- Wed. March 14 – Exclusion Day for delinquent tuition
- Wed. March 14 – Concert band field trip
- Fri. March 16 – Basketball Pep Rally
- Sun. March 18 – 10 am Family Mass hosted by 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> gr. Faith partners
- Tues. March 20 – Winter Band and Choir Concert
- Wed. March 21 – FSA Book Fair begins
- Sun. March 25 – Palm Sunday
- Tues. March 27 – Living Stations 2:00 pm in church – All are Welcome!!!
- Thurs. March 29 – Holy Thursday 11:30 dismissal
- Fri. March 30 – Good Friday – Easter break begins
- Sun. April 1 – Happy Easter!
- Mon. April 9 – classes resume

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@stlarychicago.org](mailto:donovan@stlarychicago.org).

Gratefully,

*Mrs. Kathie Donovan*

Mrs. Kathie Donovan, Principal

This beautiful artwork was created by Mrs. Frank's 5<sup>th</sup> grade class.

It will be auctioned off at the Men's Club Corned Beef & Cabbage dinner auction on Sat. March 10<sup>th</sup>!!!

Hope to see you there!



# A Peek at the Week

## WEEK OF March 12 - 16

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

<b>MONDAY: March 12<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Altar Servers: Madison, Christine L.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Religious education classes</li> <li>✓ Yoga class</li> <li>✓ Concert band 3:00 – 4:00 pm in Room 109</li> </ul>
<b>TUESDAY: March 13<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Altar Servers: Nicholas, Tyler</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Student Council meeting – officers &amp; representatives</li> <li>✓ CODAs 7:10 – 7:45 am in Room 109</li> <li>✓ School Advisory Board Meeting 7:00 pm in rectory</li> </ul>
<b>WEDNESDAY: March 14<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Altar Servers: Isabella M., Billy</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ 8:30 all school liturgy</li> <li>✓ Cadet band 7:00 – 7:45 am in Room 109</li> <li>✓ Concert band field trip</li> <li>✓ 2:00 dismissal</li> </ul>
<b>THURSDAY: March 15<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Altar Servers: Claire, Nora</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Cardinal Choir 3:00 – 4:00 pm in church</li> <li>✓ Concert band 7:00 – 7:45 am in Room 109</li> <li>✓ Super Soccer Stars</li> </ul>
<b>FRIDAY: March 16<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Altar Servers: Isabella A., Haley</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Battle of the Books - mock battles 3:00 – 3:45 pm</li> <li>✓ Basketball Pep Rally</li> </ul>
<b>SATURDAY: March 17<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Happy St. Patrick's Day</b> <b>Altar Servers: 8:30 a.m. adult servers</b> <b>5:00 p.m. Phuc, Thao, Benjamin</b>
<b>SUNDAY: March 18<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Happy St. Joseph's Day</b> <b>Altar Servers: 8 am Anthony O., Rianne, Jeryl</b> <b>10 am Don, Marc, Gia</b> <b>12 pm Camille, Adhrian, VOLUNTEER</b>



All are welcome to join us at the 10:00 Family Mass on March 18<sup>th</sup>  
hosted by the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade Faith Partners

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO CATHOLIC SCHOOLS  
2017/18 SCHOOL YEAR





# HEART OF THE SCHOOL AWARD



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## HEART OF THE SCHOOL AWARDS:

**Heart of Excellence:** This award is given to teachers who foster the highest quality of teaching and learning in their classrooms. Through rigorous, 21st century instruction, awardees demonstrate an ability to motivate each student to reach his or her greatest academic potential. To nominate someone for this award, [click here](#).

**Heart of Inclusion:** Christ calls us to welcome all who come to us. This award is given to teachers, staff members and administrators who foster inclusion in education by welcoming and serving all students, regardless of their socioeconomic background or the presence of defined learning needs. To nominate someone for this award, [click here](#).

**Heart of Enrichment:** Catholic schools seek to teach the “whole child,” providing each child with enrichment opportunities beyond the core subjects. This award recognizes school employees who excel at providing instruction and activities in one or more

enrichment area (e.g. art, music, foreign language, physical education, etc.). To nominate someone for this award, [click here](#).

**Heart of Service:** This Award recognizes individuals who provide excellent support to the school community. Often not people who are “front and center,” awardees work behind the scenes to assure that the school successfully meets the mission of service to God’s children. To nominate someone for this award, [click here](#).

**Heart of Christ:** Christ is the true center of any Catholic school. Recipients of this award are outstanding examples of Christian service, love and compassion. Through both work and witness, they live out our Catholic mission every day. To nominate someone for this award, [click here](#).

**Heart of Innovation:** Excellent educators are willing to innovate, infusing their work with the latest teaching practices and instructional technology. Recipients of this award reflect the ability to successfully serve students through adaptation and innovation. To nominate someone for this award, [click here](#).

**Heart of Leadership:** Recipients of this award demonstrate leadership in their school through mentoring, inspiring others and setting a clear vision. Awardees are not necessarily school administrators, but rather leaders who constantly motivate the school towards excellence, faith and service. To nominate someone for this award, [click here](#).

**Heart of Connection:** Recipients of this award recognize that the school is part of a greater community, and actively seek to build connections with the community and the school. Through successful outreach to parishes, universities and/or other organizations, awardees consistently leverage outside resources to support the school, while enabling the school to benefit the surrounding community. To nominate someone for this award, [click here](#).

**Heart of the Future:** This award recognizes employees who have worked in education for three years or less, and demonstrate outstanding excellence, leadership and service. Awardees are people who inspire those around them with their enthusiasm and support of our educational mission. To nominate someone for this award, [click here](#).

**I hope that you will take a few minutes to nominate one of our amazing, dedicated, and passionate teachers. Last year, our very own Ms. Kelly Lamorena was the recipient of the Heart of Enrichment Award. In her own words, “this was a BIG deal”!**





# Calling all Cardinals



**Do you love to write? Is art one of your favorite things?**

The St. Hilary Literary Magazine Committee (Mr. Andre, Mrs. Donnelly, Mrs. Frank, and Ms. Weber) is looking for student work submissions to publish in our first magazine!

Students may submit original fiction/short stories, poems, or non-fiction pieces; artwork may include original student produced drawings, sketches, or photos of 3-D creations.

There will also be a cover-art competition to determine what image will be placed on the front of the school's magazine!

**Don't delay! All submissions to be considered for publication must be turned in by March 23, 2018.**

Contact one of the Literary Magazine Committee members if you have any questions. More details will be available soon!





**ST. HILARY MEN'S CLUB  
ANNUAL CORNED BEEF DINNER  
AND SILENT AUCTION**

**MEAL SERVED BUFFET STYLE THIS YEAR TO MAXIMIZE THE FUNDS  
TO THE SPORTS PROGRAM**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2018  
ST. HILARY CAFETERIA & GYM,  
DOORS OPEN 6:00 P.M.**

**All 21 & over are welcome!!!**

**IRISH MUSIC  
CASH BAR  
Raffles, pull tabs.**

**Auction Items:  
Sports Tickets, Apparel & Memorabilia  
and much more.**

**TICKETS \$20.00 AVAILABLE AT SCHOOL OFFICE, CHURCH  
RECTORY, ALSO THE NIGHT OF THE EVENT.  
Daryl McNabb 773.633.0980, [damcnabb@sbcglobal.net](mailto:damcnabb@sbcglobal.net)**

Fr. Aloy is looking for families and their children to assist with the Holy Thursday liturgy on March 29<sup>th</sup>



**HOLY THURSDAY** is the most complex and profound of all religious observances, saving only the Easter Vigil. It celebrates both the institution by Christ himself of the Eucharist and of the institution of the sacerdotal priesthood (as distinct from the 'priesthood of all believers') for in this, His last supper with the disciples, a celebration of Passover, He is the self-offered Passover Victim, and every ordained priest to this day presents this same sacrifice, by Christ's authority and command, in exactly the same way. The Last Supper was also Christ's farewell to His assembled disciples, some of whom would betray, desert or deny Him before the sun rose again.

The Holy Thursday liturgy, celebrated in the evening because Passover began at sundown, also shows both the worth God ascribes to the humility of service, and the need for cleansing with water (a symbol of baptism) in the Mandatum, or washing in Jesus' washing the feet of His disciples, and in the priest's stripping and washing of the altar. Cleansing, in fact, gave this day of Holy Week the name Maundy Thursday.

The washing of the feet represents the service and charity of Christ, who came "not to be served, but to serve."

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Fr. Aloy would like one parent to represent a disciple and their child will assist Fr. Aloy in the drying of the parent's feet. **Each family will need a parent and a child.**

If you are interested please complete the form below or email Mrs. Donovan at [Donovan@sthilarychicago.org](mailto:Donovan@sthilarychicago.org). The first 12 will be chosen so don't delay. I know it seems like this is really far away, but will be here before we know it.

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I would like to be a disciple during the Holy Thursday liturgy on Thurs. March 29<sup>th</sup> at the 7:00 pm mass.

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Parent name

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Child name



KidStuff Coupon Books is celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of exclusively helping Schools raise money and going DIGITAL in fall of 2018 with a new KidStuff App!!! For the first time in their 24 year history, they are offering a fantastic opportunity for schools to sell the KidStuff Coupon Books 2017-18 editions for **ONLY \$15!** Books have always been sold for \$25...This is a \$10 savings! These are the last KidStuff books that will ever be available! Most coupons are valid through December 31, 2018! **Inventory is limited so send in your order ASAP!!!**

Use just a few coupons for shopping, activities and food and quickly save more than the \$15 cost! KidStuff is filled with great savings for all ages! While saving money, you are supporting our school!!!

**Post It! Tweet It! Email It!** Family, friends and co-workers will love saving with KidStuff!

Visit [kidstuffcouponbook.com](http://kidstuffcouponbook.com) to see coupons for all **30 KidStuff editions!**

- 1) Please make checks payable to **St. Hilary School.**
- 2) Please enclose payment of \$15 per book in an envelope **labeled "KidStuff"** with your child's name, teacher's name, phone number, the quantity of each KidStuff edition you are ordering and the total amount of money enclosed.
- 3) Please return your envelope to your child's teacher by **MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2018.** Any books you order will be sent home at the end of our sale!
- 4) If you have any questions, please contact:  
Kristen Allen by email: [kristenileene24@yahoo.com](mailto:kristenileene24@yahoo.com) or  
Monica Giannoni by email: [jghms.cww@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jghms.cww@sbcglobal.net).

**KIDSTUFF DOES NOT PROMOTE DOOR-TO-DOOR SALES BY CHILDREN**  
**Many thanks for supporting our school!!!**

StHilarySchoolChicago

**Family, friends and coworkers will ♥ saving \$\$\$ with valuable coupons in the CHICAGO AREA - Cook, DuPage, Lake & Will Counties KidStuff Coupon Book 2017-2018!**



See more coupons at [www.kidstuffcouponbook.com](http://www.kidstuffcouponbook.com)



### KIDSTUFF COUPON BOOK ORDER FORM

Customer Name	Customer Phone #	Edition(s)	# Of Books At \$15 Each	Total \$ Amount
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Please Keep This Order Form As Your Record Of Sales

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# **FAMILY & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION MONTHLY MEETING**

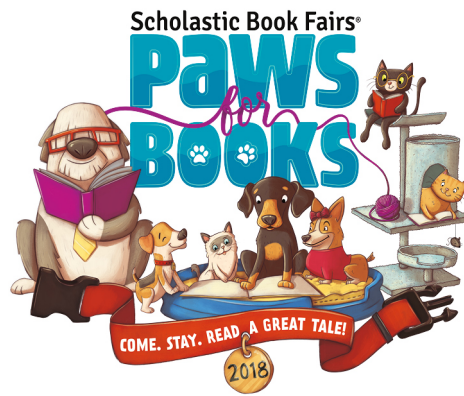
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14  
7 PM | SCHOOL CAFETERIA**

Your voice is important! Please join us for the monthly meeting of the St. Hilary FSA. This meeting is open to all parents and guardians of students at St. Hilary School.

Get info on our upcoming events and how you can help! Refreshments will be served, and there will be time to mingle with other St. Hilary parents and caregivers.

See you there!





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 up 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 the 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. And during the fair, you can donate books to your child's classroom library and help fulfill their teachers' wish lists.

The Book fair will be open on the following dates:

March 20 & 21, during school hours  
March 22 & 23, during school hours  
March 25, after Sunday Masses

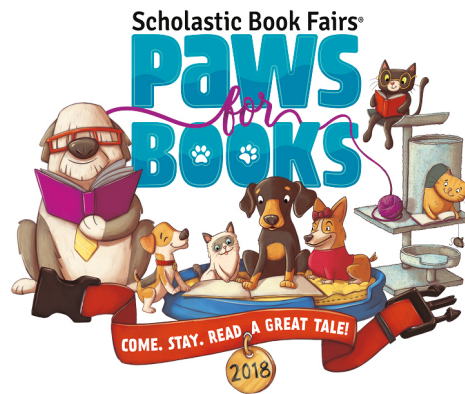
Student & teacher preview days  
Student shopping days  
Open to parish and community

If you are unable to attend the Fair in person or have a relative who wants to purchase something from your child's wish list, we invite you to visit our online Book Fair at <http://www.scholastic.com/bf/sthilaryschool>. Our Online Fair is available from March 20 to April 8.

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 our school.

Sincerely,  
The Book Fair Committee





## Volunteer at our Book Fair!

Dates: March 19-25

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

Join our volunteer team to

- Set up and/or pack up the Book Fair
- Assist students making wish lists during Preview Days
- Sell books and fill orders
- Help shoppers of all ages find their perfect book

We are so grateful for your support!

**How to volunteer:** Check availability and sign up online at <http://signup.com/go/TrgbwMD> or contact Maria Hench at [mariahench@gmail.com](mailto:mariahench@gmail.com) or 773-620-0642.

## Available times and dates

Monday, March 19	Set up	7 – 9 p.m.
Tuesday, March 20	Preview day	8:30 – 11:30 a.m. 12:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Wednesday, March 21	Preview day	9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 22	Student shopping day	8 – 11 a.m.; 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.
Friday, March 23	Student shopping day	8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Sunday, March 25	Community shopping 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 Tuesday through Friday, volunteers must sign in at the office before proceeding to the gym.  
***Volunteers who work Tuesday through Friday must have completed VIRTUS training.***



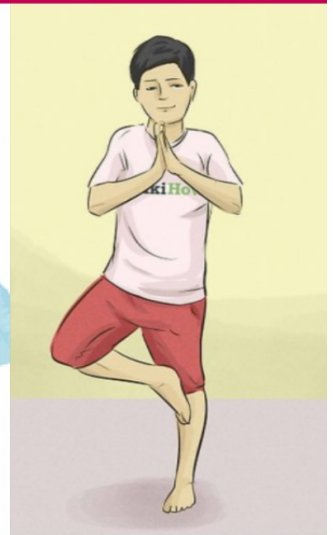


United Stand Counseling Center Presents:

# MINDFUL MOVERS

*Mindful Movers is a social-emotional skills-building class that introduces younger students to the many benefits of mindfulness including increased concentration, self-regulation and acceptance of self and others. Over the course of 4 weeks, students will learn to increase self-awareness and self-control using yoga, creative movement and breathing exercises.*

**Facilitated by: Aliza Roth, Therapy Extern**  
**(Candidate, MA Dance/Movement Therapy & Counseling)**



**WHEN: Wednesday Nights 5:00–6:00**

**May 9th – May 23rd**

**WHERE: Felician Center**

**3800 W Peterson Ave, Chicago, IL 60659**

**(Parking in rear of building. Entrance located  
at the top of stairs)**

**Class size is limited to 8–10 students so  
register soon!**

**FEE: \$30 for entire 4 night series**

**To reserve your student a spot email**

**[Unitedstandcounseling@gmail.com](mailto:Unitedstandcounseling@gmail.com)**