



# Saint Hilary School

Where faith, family, and academics thrive!

November 6, 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian,

**Message from our St. Hilary Women's Club:**

On behalf of the St. Hilary Women's Club Board and all our members, we want to thank the parents/grandparents of the students who donated their time and talent to bake and provide the goodies for our bake sale this weekend. We know how valuable their time is and we appreciate their support. We are grateful, too, for everyone who purchased items and liquor basket raffle tickets. God bless you!

**Thank you:**

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Annual Trunk or Treat by decorating your vehicles and passing out treats. The weather was amazing and everyone seemed to have a wonderful time. Thank you to the parents who volunteered to keep our campus safe on Halloween.

Thank you to our amazing 8<sup>th</sup> graders who hosted our annual Halloween Fun Fair. All the children and adults had a great time and appreciate all the time you put into the day. Thank you to Ms. Weber for her guidance.

Thank you to Ms. Barzowski and the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders for helping us remember those who have gone before us. They dressed as saints for our All Saints Day liturgy today and served as an honor guard. Great job! As Pope Francis reminds us, "We need saints who are in this world and who know how to enjoy the best in this world without being callous or mundane. We need saints".

Thank you to our very own Family & School Association for their continued support of our students, their families, and our staff. The FSA donated half of the cost of our bus fees for the faith partner field trip coming up on Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>. Remember, as a parent, you are automatically a member. FSA will hold their next meeting on Wed. Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>, hope you can come and see all the wonderful events that they are planning for all of us. You are always welcome!!

**Congratulations:**

St. Hilary alum Vince Johnson was one of six inducted into the St. Patrick High School Hall of Fame. Click on this [link](#) for more information. Congratulations to Vince, we are very proud of our alumni.

## Reminders:

Each year around the holidays we participate in a community service project. This year, once again, we are going to offer a family service opportunity to you. We are partnering with Feed My Starving Child, a non-profit organization that coordinates the packaging and distribution of food to people in developing nations. We are very excited about this opportunity and hope that you are able to join us. There are only **107** spots left. Ms. Montemurro and I have already signed up and we hope that many of our families will be there as well. This unique experience will be a special time for you and your child. Please see the flyer in today's envelope for more details. This year our choir has also been asked to sing Christmas carols after our shift to welcome the volunteers for the afternoon shift. More information to follow regarding this opportunity.

**Are you feeling lucky?** Now is your chance to purchase tickets for our St. Hilary Queen of Hearts 50/50 Raffle. This progressive jackpot has been rolling over for a few weeks and the pot is estimated to be \$14,500.00 for this Saturday's drawing. If you have a friend, neighbor, or family member who is interested in purchasing tickets, they are always welcome to do so. Tickets are available for purchase in the main school office, after all weekend masses and at The Claddagh Ring Pub at 2306 W. Foster. You are welcome to enjoy the fun of the drawing held at 9:00 pm each Saturday at the Pub.

As the weather turns the flu season will soon be here. Please keep in mind that neither children nor adults are able to focus and learn when they are not 100%. Please allow your child to regain their health and strength before returning to school; this will also help to reduce the spreading of germs to others. Children do need to be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school. We appreciate your cooperation as we continue to keep everyone's safety a top priority.

## Medical forms:

All new students to St. Hilary, our preschoolers, kindergärtners, and 6<sup>th</sup> graders need to have medical forms completed and these were due by October 15<sup>th</sup>. This is a requirement by the State of Illinois Board of Education. Please get these forms into the office as soon as possible.

## Coaches and Volunteers:

**ALL** Volunteers/Coaches/Scout leaders are required by Archdiocesan policy to complete a file, which includes:

- Form 7703 Archdiocesan Application for Employment Volunteer Service
- Criminal Background Check –\*\*VIRTUS\*\* – online application
- CANTS 689 form (Child Abuse and Neglect Tracking System)
- Code of Conduct: read signed and dated
- Safe Environment Training: Virtus/Protecting God's Children and Youth

- Sexual Harassment Training Program – found on your Virtus dashboard
- Coaches/Scout leaders are also required to complete the Mandated Reporter Training

We appreciate the gifts of time and talent our volunteers offer to the students of Saint Hilary School. You may notice that there has been an addition to the volunteer requirements; the sexual harassment training program. This program is completed on-line and you will receive a certificate which you need to submit to school and it will be kept on file. Scout leaders and coaches are also required to complete the Mandated Reporter Training. Again, this is an on-line program and your certificate also needs to be submitted to school. Please return all forms to Ms. Montemurro.

### **Mark your calendars:**


The Annual Christmas Concert will be held on Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the church. All are welcome to join us as we welcome in the holidays.

**Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> is the end of our first trimester. Please make certain that your financial obligations to Saint Hilary are taken care of in a timely manner. Per board policy, students whose tuition and fees have not been kept up to date by the end of the trimester report cards will be held and they will be subject to exclusion on Wednesday November 14<sup>th</sup>.**

### **Contents of this Wednesday's envelope:**

- Feed My Starving Children service day
- Spirit Week flyer
- FSA flyer

### **Mark your calendars:**

- Fri. Nov. 9 – end of 1<sup>st</sup> trimester **-all financial obligations must be up to date**
- **Sat. Nov. 10** - Queen of Hearts  drawing
- Nov. 12 – 16 Student Council hosts St. Hilary Spirit Week
- Tues. Nov. 13 – World Kindness Daylight
- Wed. Nov. 14 – FSA meeting 7:00 pm in caf – All are welcome!!
- Thurs. Nov. 15 – Faith Partner field trip to Cinderella
- Fri. Nov. 16 – report cards sent home
- Sat. Nov. 17 – catholic high school registration

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](mailto:donovan@sthilarychicago.org).

Gratefully,  
Mrs. Kathie Donovan, Principal



What a busy week  
-  
Halloween  
Trunk or Treat  
All Saints Day!

**NEXT DRAWING SAT. NOV. 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**ESTIMATED POT APPROX. \$14,500.00**



There is only  
**ONE** in a deck... 

Will YOU be the one to find her?  
**St. Hilary School**  
Queen of Hearts 50/50 Raffle

You're quest, if you choose to accept it, begins August 11th at  
**THE CLADDAGH RING PUB**

# A Peek at the Week

## WEEK OF NOV. 12 - 16



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

<p><b>MONDAY: November 12<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>Altar Servers: Sophia, Nicholas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Concert Band 7:00 – 7:45 am</li> <li>✓ Cadet Band 3:00 – 4:00 pm</li> <li>✓ Art Studio – 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> &amp; 5<sup>th</sup> graders</li> <li>✓ NO Battle of the Books (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grades)</li> </ul>
<p><b>TUESDAY: November 13<sup>th</sup> **WORLD KINDNESS DAY**</b>  <b>Altar Servers: Thao, Crystal</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ CODAS 7:00 – 7:45 am</li> <li>✓ Student Council meeting – council and reps</li> <li>✓ School Advisory Board meeting 7:00 pm in rectory</li> </ul>
<p><b>WEDNESDAY: November 14<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>Altar Servers: Melody, Josephine</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ 2:00 dismissal</li> <li>✓ 8:30 all school liturgy</li> <li>✓ Cadet Band 7:00 – 7:45 am</li> <li>✓ Family &amp; School Association Meeting 7:00 pm in cafeteria</li> </ul>
<p><b>THURSDAY: November 15<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>Altar Servers: Haley, Crystal</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Concert Band 7:00 – 7:45 am</li> <li>✓ Field Trip to Regina for Cinderella</li> <li>✓ Cardinal Choir 3:00 – 4:00 pm</li> <li>✓ Art Studio – 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, &amp; 8<sup>th</sup> graders</li> </ul>
<p><b>FRIDAY: November 16<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>Altar Servers: Marina, Nora</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Battle of the Books (3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grades)</li> <li>✓ Report cards go home</li> </ul>
<p><b>SATURDAY: November 17<sup>th</sup></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Queen of <b>Hearts</b> drawing at <b>The Claddagh Ring Pub</b> 9:00 pm</li> <li>✓ Catholic High School registration</li> </ul>
<p><b>SUNDAY: November 18<sup>th</sup></b></p>

**ST. HILARY SPIRIT WEEK SPONSORED BY STUDENT COUNCIL**



**St. Hilary School**  
**Queen of Hearts 50/50 Raffle**  
 Tickets **ONLY** available at  
**THE CLADDAGH RING PUB**  
 2306 W. Foster Ave., Chicago, IL  
Sales begin 1 hour after pub opens.  
Drawings will be held each Saturday at 9:00pm starting August 25th.  
Prize amount rolls over each week until the Queen of Hearts is revealed.  
**Tickets are 6/\$5.00 \*\*CASH ONLY\*\***  
**No single tickets will be sold**

# SHS 2018 SPIRIT WEEK

November 12-16

**MONDAY: LAZY DAY**-wear comfortable clothing-sweats, slippers, etc., NO pajamas

**TUESDAY: BLAST FROM THE PAST**-dress in clothing from the past

**WEDNESDAY: TWIN/GROUP DAY**-dress alike with a friend/group of friends

**THURSDAY: SCHOOL UNIFORM** (field trip)

**FRIDAY: SPORTS DAY**-wear your favorite team's colors or a team jersey



# **FAMILY & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION MEETING**

**Wednesday, November 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!



Are teaming up for **HOPE** FILLED HOLIDAYS!

St. Hilary School and Feed My Starving Children are inviting you to a **FAMILY HOLIDAY SERVICE PROJECT EVENT!**

On **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 09, 2018 FROM 9:00AM-11:00AM**, join teachers, staff, and other volunteers from the community in packing meals for starving children. In an effort to teach our children the importance of lending a hand and helping others this holiday season, we hope that you will consider joining us.

Feed My Starving Children is a Christian non-profit organization that provides nutritionally complete meals specifically formulated for malnourished children. Their mission, like ours at St. Hilary, is to follow in Jesus' footsteps and answer the call to serve those in need.

This event gives our students the opportunity to follow that call to serve and put their hands to work. They, and you, will prepare the packages of food that will be sent to children in need. We have been asked if our choir would sing Christmas carols after our session; more information to follow for choir members joining in the service day.

If you are interested in joining us, please register for this event **ASAP!** There are only 124 spots left!! They will fill quickly!

You can register at [fmsc.org](http://fmsc.org) Click on [Get Involved](#) and select [Volunteer](#). Scroll down until you see the box that says [Looking for a Specific Group?](#)

From there, you can enter our group code, [K22YVK](#), and register. Both you and your child need to register! This is a school sponsored event, but parents must attend and help. I will receive an email notification when you are registered. THANK YOU in advance for your consideration!

Any family that attends will receive **SPECIAL RECOGNITION!**