



October 24, 2011

Dear Parents,

Thanks to all of you who gave up your Sunday to work on the various committees that supported the family picnic yesterday. A good time was had by all!

Parade of Saints – Parents are welcome to join us as we watch our Kindergarten, First, and Second Graders in the Parade of Saints next Monday afternoon. **The parade will be held at 1:30.**

Holiday Boutique – Many of you will remember the wonderful booth of faith based items for sale at last year's carnival. This year Patricia DiGiovanni has been so kind as to set up a special shopping opportunity for parents from October 31 - November 6 in the former parish office space in the rectory. Plan on stopping by before or after the parade of saints; they will be open from 8 – 3 on Monday. All merchandise for this sale has been graciously donated so all proceeds directly support the school's technology fund. There is no better time to begin your Christmas shopping! A special mom's night out is planned for Wednesday, November 2 from 5-8pm. Please see the attached flyer for a sneak peek at some of the beautiful items for sale.

Library News – The library continues to flourish with the buzzing of children reading. Our AR Dragon is already growing by leaps and bounds. We have also begun an AR Millionaire Readers' Club which tracks students' word count throughout the year. Students will progress through the levels of Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum reading throughout the school year. For the lower grades, the levels are equivalent to Bronze (10,000 words), Silver (25,000 words), Gold (50,000 words), and Platinum (100,000+ words). For older students, the levels are Bronze (250,000 words), Silver (500,000 words), Gold (1,000,000 words), and Platinum (2,000,000+ words). Some students may start out in the lower grade levels now and move up into the upper grade levels by the end of the school year. Many students are already off to a great start! The Celebration Book Club is also off to an amazing beginning. We were able to add 32 new books to our collection during the months of August and September. Many thanks to the following families who participated thus far: Keating, Brothen, Contu-Owen, Donovan, Ourso, Halpin, Penas, Kazmierczak, Dienes, Park, McHenry, Hurry, Loisi, Velarde, Marshall, Estes, Plumb, Ortiz, Naughton, Andrews, Davison, Dick, Venteicher, Minton, Griffin, DeHart, Mora, Layne, and Allen.

High School News – Xavier, Brophy, and St. Mary's will be here to speak to the 8th graders on Wednesday, October 26th. Xavier College Preparatory is holding their 8th grade day this Friday, October 28th; their Open House will be held on Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 12:30–2:30. Brophy will hold an Open House on Sunday, November 6th.

Date Reminders:

October 25	Parent Advisory Meeting, 7:00pm
October 31	Parade of Saints, 1:30pm
November 1	All Saints Day School Mass, 10:00am
November 2	Students will not attend 8:30am Mass

God Bless You,  
*Donna Laura*  
Principal