



# St. Boniface School Parent Newsletter

October 2018

## Lafayette Catholic Schools Mission Statement

Lafayette Catholic Schools, centered in Jesus Christ, educates the whole person in a culture that is:

- Sustained by Gospel witness and service,
- Imbued with a Catholic worldview,
- Supported by a community of faith,
- Distinguished by academic excellence,
- Committed to student success.

## St Boniface School

prepares students to be :

- knowledgeable citizens of this world,
- acting for the true,
- the good, and
- the beautiful,
- thus fulfilling their destiny to become saints in the world to come.

## Corporal Works of Mercy

Every year, the St. Boniface School Community focuses on one aspect of our Catholic Faith which highlights the LCSS Mission Statement. This year, the students will develop an understanding of the **Corporal Works of Mercy** and learn about saints who exemplified these Works of Mercy. The students will also have the opportunity to practice a specific **Work of Mercy**.

September	Title Saint Activity	<b>Visit the Imprisoned</b> St. Thomas More Include intention at School Mass for people in prison, for prisoners of war, for those in immigration camps, for political prisoners, etc.
October	Title Saint Activity	<b>Bury the Dead</b> St. Maximilian Kolbe Provide companionship and be a good listener. Offer daily prayers for the souls in Purgatory Pray for babies who suffered abortion. Support Matrix and Right to Life Organizations
November	Title Saint Activity	<b>Feed the Hungry</b> St. Martin de Porres Contribute to the Thanksgiving Food Drive Fill a "Box of Joy" for 3 <sup>rd</sup> World Children
January	Title Saint Activity	<b>Clothe the Naked</b> St. Elizabeth of Hungary Contribute clothing to the Clothing/Shoe Drive
February	Title Saint Activity	<b>Comfort the Sick</b> St. Damien de Veuster of Molokai Make Valentines for the Veterans and the Sick
March	Title Saint Activity	<b>Shelter the Homeless</b> St. John Bosco Make collections for LUM
May	Title Saint Activity	<b>Give Drink to the Thirsty</b> St. Josephine Bakhita Invite someone from Water Department to explain water pollution



*When the Saints Go Marching In - Oh, How I want to be in that Number - When the Saints Go Marching In!*

## **Saints Project**

During the month of October, all the students will work on their saint project. Each student is responsible for a poster, a written report, an oral presentation and dressing up as a saint. The students research their saint by using books, information cards, and the internet. A suggested saint website is: [www.catholic.org/saints](http://www.catholic.org/saints)

The written report is done in school with the aid of the religion teacher, English teacher, and computer teacher.

The poster requires the help of the parents. We recommend you purchase the small tri-fold poster boards from school. The cost is \$5.00. The parents must also help with the costume. Individual photos are taken of each individual student in full costume.

Timeline:	Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2018	Saint Reports due Gr. 4, 5, 6
	Wednesday, Oct. 31	Saint Poster due Gr. 4, 5, 6
		Saint Costume due Gr. 5, & 6
		Photographs grade 5 & 6
	Thursday, Nov. 1	Saint Costume due Gr. 4
		Photographs grade 4

It is a wonderful opportunity for all to grow in their knowledge of true models of our Catholic faith. Your child does need your help!

### ***All Saints Day Celebrated***

#### ***Thursday, November 1 at 8:15 Mass***

On the Feast of All Saints, at the 8:15 Mass, the children process into church dressed in their saint costume. After Mass, around 9:30, they march to the gym, stand by their poster, and present their saint project.

### ***All Saints Book***

Volunteers are needed to type or reformat a class of 20 saint reports for the All Saints Book published yearly. If willing, contact Sr. Lenore.

**Thank You!**

## Feast of St. Francis Blessing of Pets

One of our favorite feast days in celebrating St. Francis of Assisi is the blessing of pets. This will occur on Thursday, October 4 at 7:45 a.m. in the gym. Parents may bring their child's pet and gather in the gym before 7:45 a.m. Students who do not have pets will watch from the bleachers. If the pet cannot be transported, the child may bring a picture of their pet and show it to Fr. Tim or Fr. Mark for a blessing.

After the pet blessing, around 8:25 a.m., we will have a regular school Mass celebrating the Feast of St. Francis. Parents are welcome to stay for Mass.

Please take the pet home after the blessing. No child will be allowed to keep the pet in school during the day!

PTO will bring cupcakes after Mass to distribute to the students during mid morning snack time.

## 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

**Wednesday, October 3, 2018 there is a special Mass at 6:00 p.m. celebrating the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Lafayette Diocese.**

Pope Pius XII established the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana on October 21, 1944. The Diocese of Fort Wayne, the Mother Diocese, was established in 1857. Then, the territory now occupied by the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana had only three small brick churches with resident pastors and four frame missions. Total Catholic population was about 5,000 people. Missionaries were still active in the area.

On November 11, 1944, the Holy See made the announcement regarding the partitioning of the Fort Wayne Diocese creating the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana. The name was expressed in that manner to distinguish it from the Diocese of Lafayette, Louisiana. The new diocese had 54 parishes and a Catholic population of 31,700. The area designated had 9,832 square miles and comprised 24 counties in North Central Indiana extending from the Illinois to the Ohio state lines. Catholics comprised fewer than 6 percent of the total population. The area was largely rural.

John George Bennett was consecrated first bishop of the Lafayette See on January 10, 1945. He was a son of a parish in the new diocese, St. Mary's in Dunnington. His successors have been John Joseph Cardinal Carberry, Bishop Raymond Gallagher, Bishop George Fulcher, Bishop William L. Higi, and the current ordinary, Bishop Timothy L. Doherty.

## **Dads Make a Difference**

During the week of October 8 to October 12, we celebrate “Dads Make a Difference!” Dads, grandfathers, uncles, or favorite male role models are encouraged to take their child out for lunch from 11:30 to 12:30 any ONE DAY during this week. Enjoy Lunch!

## **Red Ribbon Week**

The Coalition for a Safe & Drug-Free Tippecanoe County celebrates Red Ribbon Week from October 23 to October 31. All students are given a glow in the dark wrist band to remind them they are to be “Light to Others by their Good Example”. The students and adults wear the wristband all week as a sign of their commitment to be “Drug Free”. During guidance class, Mrs. Charles teaches the students the danger of substance abuse and how to say “No” to drugs, alcohol, tobacco, and bullying. The D.A.R.E. officer also teaches grade 5 during the first semester, how to live a wholesome life. All students designed a bookmark to encourage others to be drug free.

We received notification from the Drug-Free Coalition of Tippecanoe County that they will not be having a Red Ribbon Breakfast due to conflict in scheduling throughout the county. We have not received any more information regarding the program.

## **Band Broadcast**

### **Band Fee \$50.00/year**

Reminder that the band fee of \$50.00 per child for the whole year is the only source of revenue for instruments, emergency reeds, supplies, sheet music and public relations. Mr. Isaacs is sending notices via email that all fees were due by Sept. 30.

## **Breakfast with the Band “Music of Autumn”**

Wednesday, November 14 at 7:30 a.m. the first concert will be held in St. Boniface gym. Coffee, juice, and donuts will be served at the gym main door for parents and young children as they walk to the bleachers. The students need to perform in front of adults to promote their self-confidence and give them an incentive to practice. All students from St. Boniface and St. Lawrence MUST be in the gym, ready with their instruments BEFORE 7:30 a.m. The concert begins promptly at 7:30 so parents can listen and go to work. Beginning Band plays first, followed by Advanced Band.

## IMPORTANT DATES

### **Blessing of the Pets**

Thursday, Oct. 4      7:45 a.m. begin Pet Blessing in the gym  
8:25 a.m. Holy Mass celebrating St. Francis of Assisi

### **First Friday Mass**

Friday, Oct. 5      11:00 lunch  
11:20 recess  
12:10 First Friday Mass  
Students receive Ice Cream treat for magazine sale

### **Dads Make a Difference**

Monday, Oct. 8      All Week parents make take child out once for lunch

### **Parent Teacher Conferences**

Tuesday, Oct. 23      2:00 dismissal of students  
2:30 begin Parent/Teacher Conferences

Wednesday, Oct. 24      2:00 dismissal of students  
2:30 begin Parent/Teacher Conferences

### **Fall Break**

Thursday, Oct. 25      No School  
Fall Break

Friday, Oct. 26      No School  
Fall Break

### **Indiana Non Public Education Conference INPEC**

Monday, Oct. 29      No School  
Faculty attends INPEC

Tuesday, Oct. 30      No School  
Faculty attends INPEC

### **Halloween and All Saints Day**

Wednesday, Oct. 31      Students return to school  
All posters due to school and set up in gym  
Grade 5 & 6 Dress in Saint Costume for pictures  
2:20 Halloween Party for everyone  
All students may wear orange and black accessories with their uniform

Thursday, Nov. 1      Feast of All Saints Day  
All students wear Saints Costume  
8:15 a.m. Holy Mass with All Saints Procession  
Grade 4 have pictures taken



## **MAGAZINE SALE**

### **Magazine Sale Success**

We appreciate the time and effort you put forth in promoting our annual Magazine Sale. All three elementary schools made their goal. Here are the results of the Sales:

Total Sales for St. Boniface	\$14,815.50
Total Sales for St. Mary	\$18,441.75
Total Sales for St. Lawrence	\$25,000.00
Total Sales for all schools	<b>\$58,237.25</b>

### **Top Sellers**

The following students are the four top sellers. They will ride the Boilermaker Special and receive an ice cream treat at Bill Lodde's Frozen Custard Igloo.

**Ethan Stephens, David Buhrmester, Will Jones, Ashleigh Risch**

### **Delivery of Cookie Dough and Gifts**

Thursday, October 18, 2018  
St. Boniface School gym  
3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

### **Continue to Order Magazines**

Orders placed on-line until the end of June, 2019, may still be applied to the Lafayette Catholic School System. So keep those magazine renewals for the Catholic Schools.

#### **Thank you!**

We are grateful for all who contributed to this magazine/cookie dough sale. These funds go toward the basic operating expenses of each of our three elementary Catholic Schools and the purchase of new adoption textbooks for next school year.

### **Magazine Sale Success**

Thank you to our chairpersons for St. Boniface for their hard work!

**Lisa Bapst and Kristin Meister**

**THANK YOU**















# Thank you!

**By participating in the annual St. Mary-St. Boniface PTO Donation Drive/Spirit Fund, your child/children can use the below N.U.T. Slip during the 2018-19 school year!**

*As always, N.U.T. slips cannot be used on required uniform days.*



ST. MARY - ST. BONIFACE  
PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION



Sponsored by the Lafayette Catholic School System.

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 Yes, I participated in the 2018-19 Spirit Fund!

Please turn this form into your school(s) for a N.U.T. Day to be used during the 2018-19 school year.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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