

# **ANNUNCIATION SCHOOL** **EAGLE EDITION NEWSLETTER 9/8/17**

## **Dear Annunciation Parents/Guardians,**

We had another great week! Take some time to read through this newsletter and get informed. Happy Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Mary's Birthday!!)!! Have a great weekend.

## **Coming Up...**

### **Saturday, Sept. 9 -- First Home Volleyball Games -- 2 PM**

Come out and support our girl's volleyball teams as they play their first home games this weekend! The 3rd and 4th and 5th and 6th play Saturday at 2 and 3 PM respectively. The 7th and 8th grades will play on Sunday, September 10 at 2 and 3 PM respectively. Good luck girls! Go Eagles!

### **Thursday, Sept. 14 -- All School Mass: Exaltation of the Holy Cross -- 8:15 am**

After celebrating our first Mass together today (the Birth of Mary!) we will turn right around and have Mass again on Thursday, Sept 14 in place of our regularly scheduled Morning Prayer. We exalt the cross, that terrible device on which Jesus was put to death, but by which we receive salvation. Feel free to come to the Church by 8:15 and join us for Mass!

### **Friday, Sept. 15 -- Fundraiser Kickoff: Magazine Drive -- During School Day (TBD)**

We will kick off our first and main fundraiser for the year on Friday! Brian from Midwest Fundraising will be with us to inspire us to make it a great fundraiser - there are MANY incentives and prizes to be won by our students! If everyone gives this fundraiser their best efforts we really can raise a lot of money for our school. Look for more details on the Magazine Drive coming to you next week!

### **Monday, Sept. 18 - VIRTUS Seminar at Annunciation - 6-9 PM**

WE WANT YOU! We shared a Parent Volunteer Pledge at our Back-To-School Night to get your commitment and better understand your interest in being involved and volunteering at Annunciation. A school with high parent volunteerism is proven to offer students a better experience and lends to greater academic success! In order to be a regular volunteer at Annunciation (and all Archdiocesan Schools) you need to complete the online VIRTUS background check and attend a seminar. We are offering a seminar just for Annunciation parents on Monday, Sept. 18 at 6 PM in our cafeteria. Please register at [virtusonline.org](http://virtusonline.org) and be there at 6 PM! Contact Jill Novak with any questions: [haustejm@hotmail.com](mailto:haustejm@hotmail.com).

## Monday, Sept. 25 -- Picture Day! -- Morning

Order forms for your child have either been sent home already this week or will come home today. You can also order pictures online! Go to [mylifetouch.com](http://mylifetouch.com) and plug in Annunciation's Picture Day ID: **JC017208Q0**

Also, please note the following policy from the Annunciation Handbook regarding Dress Code for Picture Day.

**Dress Code for School Pictures:** Students may be out of uniform for school pictures. Modest dress is required (see other dress codes). Jeans, appropriate length shorts/skirts, and Capri's are permitted. Makeup and nail polish dress code is unchanged for picture days. Sleeveless shirts and inappropriate images are considered unsuitable. Shoe dress code is unchanged for picture days.

## Highlights...

### We did something! Hurricane Harvey Relief.

This week at school we have talked about, focused our prayers on, and raised money for those who have experienced great loss at the hands of Hurricane Harvey. I am happy to share that we raised just over **\$400** that we will be donating to Catholic Charities USA. There are many different ways in which you can help out the victims of Hurricane Harvey and a variety of charities where you can direct your aid. To be in solidarity with Annunciation Parish and the Archdiocese of Cincinnati we have chosen to join our school's gift to theirs. You can learn more about Catholic Charities and the relief work they are doing by clicking on the [LINK](#). Thanks again for your prayers and support!

### More Hurricane Relief. What else can we do?

Please see the following message from the Greater Cincinnati Catholic Youth Sports League for additional ways to give.

Hurricane Harvey hit the 210 mile corridor between Corpus Christi and Houston, Texas on Friday, August 25th. The hurricane is expected to go down as one of the worst flooding events in US history. This weekend, Hurricane Irma is scheduled to hit Florida, and could be the biggest storm to make landfall since Hurricane Andrew in 1992.

Many families have been displaced from their home, with no idea of when they will be allowed to return. When they are finally able to do so, there is much uncertainty as to what they will be returning to.

How can the GCCYS help? Below is a list of items you can bring to your child's game on the weekend of September 8th-10th. The GCCYS board, along with your parish/ school Athletic Commission will then deliver the items to Matthew 25 Ministries, who is playing a key role in the disaster relief effort.

We will accept the following for disaster relief:

1. **Monetary Donations\*:** Donate online or mail checks to Matthew 25: Ministries, 11060 Kenwood Road, Cincinnati, OH 45242.
2. **Non-Perishable Food:** PULL TOP canned vegetables, fruits etc.; ready to eat dry goods such as nuts, peanut butter, dried fruits, granola and trail mixes, jerky, ready to eat snacks; bottled water; ready- to-eat meals or MREs etc.

3. **Personal Care Products:** Antibacterial soap, hand sanitizer, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, body wash, deodorant, lotion etc.
4. **Cleaning supplies:** Laundry detergents, general cleaner, sponges, bleach (powdered form is preferred), mops, scrub brushes, buckets, rubber gloves etc.
5. **Paper products:** Toilet paper, paper towels etc.
6. **Baby and infant supplies:** Diapers, wipes, diaper rash ointment, baby wash, baby shampoo, baby lotion etc.
7. **First-Aid items:** Bandages, gauze, pads, first aid tape, antiseptic creams, hydrogen peroxide, alcohol, latex gloves, instant cold packs etc.

\*Donors who would like to designate their financial gifts for Hurricane Relief may do so by writing "Hurricane Relief" in the memo line of their check.

With your support, we can show how helpful the GCCYS can be when there are people in need!

Thank you,  
The GCCYS Board

### **Now that we are settled... Parents/Visitors in the building**

For our first week and a half of school we allowed some parents/visitors in the building between 7:20 and 7:45. Now that we are settled we will revert back to our regular school policy that all parents and visitors need to schedule in advance to meet with teachers and be in the school building. Also, everyone must sign in at the office. This rule does not apply to Preschool (unless arriving late - please sign in). Thank you for your cooperation. A hug and a kiss and a nudge through the door with an encouraging word go a long way for our students and allow them to get the day started in the right fashion!

### **IMPORTANT: A few notes from the Office - Regarding Payments...**

1. Payments submitted to the office must be labeled based on who the money is for and to which fees it should be applied. The following would be a proper example of a note that you send in with the payment. A basic note from you will make our lives easier and your accounts more simple.

<i>Total payment for Smith Family</i>	<i>\$100</i>
<i>John after school care</i>	<i>\$30</i>
<i>Jane after School care</i>	<i>\$30</i>
<i>John lunch</i>	<i>\$20</i>
<i>Jane lunch</i>	<i>\$20</i>

2. As was previously communicated in the Student Handbook and at our Back-To-School Night, payments should be made weekly (on Friday) and cash payments should be exact change. Thank you.  
THANK YOU!

## **Box Tops for Education**

They've been around for so long now I think that we mostly forget about them... Box tops are a great and simple way to raise money for your school. Please double down your efforts to collect, save, and submit Box Tops to Annunciation. Your child can earn/win prizes based on his/her submissions. Thanks so much for your renewed attention to this! We look forward to seeing more Box Tops from you! Please submit them on one of the "Box Top Papers" (available in the school office) or in a baggie labeled with your child's name.

## **What's for Lunch?**

Monday - Cheese-Stuffed Breadsticks w/sauce, Peas and Carrots, Fruit

Tuesday - Waffles, Sausage, Hash Brown Potatoes, Fruit

Wednesday - Cheeseburgers, Green Beans, Fruit

Thursday - Corn Dogs (Turkey Meat), Tater Tots, Fruit

Friday - Pizza, Broccoli/Carrots and ranch dip, Fruit

# **Attachments...**

**FIAT Newsletter** - See what's new and coming up at Annunciation Parish!

**Attendance Awareness Flyer from Nurse Cindy** - Check out this attachment from Nurse Cindy. It's so important for your child to be at school regularly, on time, and after having had a proper breakfast! Read the flyer and do whatever it takes to ensure you are setting your child up for success! Thanks!