

Ascension School Family Newsletter

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"For God gives those who please Him wisdom, knowledge, and joy."

Ecclesiastes 2:26

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Confirmation Notes – Looking ahead to the future.

All Gr. 6-7 families should have received a note sent to your home regarding a new approach to Confirmation preparation that will be implemented over the next two years. If you did not receive a letter please let the office know. Two options for attending meetings to orient families to the Confirmation are Mon, May 11 at 7:00 or Tues, May 12 at 8:00 after the School PTO presentation.

Confirmation Practice

A reminder that confirmation practice for this year's 8th graders is Sat, April 25 at 6:30. Students are to bring their Baptismal candle. If they don't have one, \$2 to purchase. For those students who have a confirmation sponsor involved in the Carroll HS prom the same night as practice it is best if an adult proxy is present with the student for practice if the sponsor is unable to attend. The proxy does not have to be a parent or sponsor, just a responsible adult who can be sure to relay info to the sponsor.

Fitness Challenge

The following students are representing Ascension School in the annual 4th Grade Fitness Challenge. **Jake Sniezek, Gabby Kreinbrink, Ben Smith, Brooke Butler, Mark Minardi, Hannah Keller, Stafford Stevens, Hannah Eberly, TJ McManus, Sonja Kosir, Mitchell Weitz, Anne Stefanek, Nicholas Gross, Abbey Baldwin, David Saurine, Justin Koesel, Amber Butler, Robert Noss, Tyler Walker, Austin Cogliano.** Good luck students. Thank you to **Laurie Minardi and Brenda Kosir** for organizing and supervising this activity and assisting Mrs. Parker in this event.

Tuition and Assistance Opportunities

For all families who indicated interest in Tuition Assistance you must complete a PSAS application. Applications have been sent to all who requested them in the tuition commitment forms. Reproducible and online applications of the PSAS forms are available from the school website. The deadline for PSAS applications was extended this year from was April 15, however applications may still be sent in.

All families requesting tuition assistance must also register for PACE scholarships at the PACE office at 40 S. Perry St. Suite 120 (downtown Dayton next to Sinclair Community College) between 9 am-5 pm. Contact the PACE office at (937) 228-PACE (7223) for any assistance and/or concerns or visit the website - www.pacedayton.org/index.html PACE scholarship can carry through Catholic HS as well.

Fr. Rudy Award

Nominations for the Fr. Rudy Award are now being accepted. The nominee must be an eighth grade student attending Ascension School or enrolled in the Religious Education Program. Recipients of this award should exemplify the aspects of the Ascension athletic philosophy. To nominate an 8th grader, please submit the answers to the 4 questions found in the Ascension Athletic Handbook (p 19 - available online as well.) Nominations may be turned in to any Athletic Board member or turned in to the school office. Nominations must be received by May 1.

Overdue Book Notices & Low Lunch Account Balances

A number of families are receiving notices regarding missing books and lunch bills. We thank you for attending to these matters. May 8 will be the last day students may charge breakfast & lunch and May 29 is the last day for all lunch payments. Payment for missing books is necessary and is returned when or if the books are found. Official report cards are not distributed at the end of the school year unless all payment obligations such as these and tuition are completed.

Good Life Awards

One of our students, **Kristen Menke** received an Honorable Mention in the Centerville Library Good Life Award essay contest. Ascension School had 18 entries. To be honored as one of the 25 top entries in a contest that received 452 entries is impressive. Congratulations Kristen!

Dayton Dragon's Day!

The Ascension PTO is collaborating with St. Helen and Immaculate Conception School parents for a Dayton Dragon's game participation. Our game day this year is Sun, May 31 at 2 pm. The cost of lawn seats is only \$7 per person. An order form for tickets is enclosed.

Transportation Notes

Beavercreek Transportation will no longer allow a student to get off the bus at another student's stop even if both ride the same bus unless the parent calls the Transportation Office the day before for approval.

Parish Pizza Party

Bring the whole family to the Witzman Center as we celebrate our community at Ascension Sat., May 2 at 6 pm. Enjoy free pizza, socialize with fellow parishioners. Bring your favorite game. Ascension's Parish Council is sponsoring this event. Pizza, coffee, lemonade and water will be provided. Feel free to bring a dessert/chips to share.



Youth Football Sign-Ups Scheduled

The St Helen Booster club is sponsoring a sign up for boys in Gr. 3-6, interested in playing youth football in the Fall of 2009. We are having sign-ups on Sun, April 26, at St. Helen's school gym, 5086 Burkhardt Rd, from 9am-12pm. Also sign-ups will occur on the April 27, 6-7pm. Players are welcomed from St. Helen, IC, Ascension, St Brigid, St. Anthony, St. Peter, and St. Luke. We play a full slate of games against feeder programs from surrounding parochial and public schools in the Greater Miami Valley Football Assoc. A parent or legal guardian is required to attend the sign-ups. If you are unable to attend the April 26 & 27 dates, mail-in registrations are accepted. Currently the per child registration fee is \$40 with a one-time family booster fee of \$40. Any questions prior to the sign ups, please contact Chris Draper at 509-7223.

Calendar

April 25	SA	Confirmation Practice, 6:30-8pm
25	SA	First Communion option, 5pm
26	SU	First Communion options, 9am, 12pm
28	TU	Faculty Mtg, Rm202, 2:45-4pm
28	TU	Confirmation Mass, 7:30pm
29	W	IAT Mtg., Rm106, 3-4pm
May 1	F	Mass, 9am
2	SA	First Communion option, 5pm
2-3	S-SU	Youth Ministry Aluminum Drive
3	SU	First Communion options, 9am & 12pm
4	M	Fun Day, Gr. K-4, Lower Pkg Lot 12-2:15pm

Enclosures

Dayton Dragons Ticket Order Form
Festival Volunteer
Ed Outing Permission Gr. 6
Lunch Menu Calendar
Carroll Drama Camp (Gr. 5-8)
Carroll Science Camp (Gr. 6-7)
Carroll Basketball Camp (Boys Gr. 3 & up)
Parish Pizza Party Letter

Return Date

Mon, April 27
Mon. May 4
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None
Limited enrollment
June 8
May 30
None