



## Principal's Thoughts

In order to maintain an organized manner to close out the school day, a reminder about our pick up procedure was included in the newsletter last week. Additionally, I spent a couple of afternoons at the far driveway helping redirect traffic so families could exit the correct driveway. In doing this, I also noticed that the flow of traffic of the car line was interrupted to accommodate cars that were not part of the outlined pick up process. Unfortunately, I was informed that as soon as I was no longer at the far driveway, families resumed using this driveway as an exit. Please know, that this protocol was developed with the safety of our children, parents and parishioners in mind and while I understand there are many appointments and after-school activities on family calendars, these cannot be at the expense of keeping everyone safe. This message is not intended to be punitive but more of a way to build awareness of a bigger picture and strengthen our community. The afternoon dismissal only takes 15 minutes to complete so I urge you to use the car line and consider arriving after 3:05, when you will have a shorter wait time and can drive right up to pick up your child while not impeding traffic. Thank you in advance for following the outlined process, your diligence is greatly appreciated.

## St. Agnes School Mission Statement

**St. Agnes School, in partnership with the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Oakland educate children in the Catholic faith and nurture their minds, bodies, and souls, inspiring them to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, achieve their highest academic and creative potential, and actively serve and enrich the community.**

## Wheel-a-Thon (WAT)

- Our Wheel-a-thon was a huge success, thank you!
- Thankfully there were only a couple of minor scrapes and the children thoroughly enjoyed the day.
- Thank you to our co-chairs: Megan Driscoll and Tara Lynch. The event was well organized and the volunteers ensured the day ran smoothly.
- You still have time to encourage donations and the monies raised will be shared soon.
- Congratulations to our riders and those who cheered their classmates on during their participation.

***Schoolwide Learning Expectation 2.2: A conscientious individual in a diverse society who is able to demonstrate self-discipline.***

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### • **Parent Teacher Conferences Schedule Open**

- The teachers are busy preparing to meet with each of you to share their goals and areas of strength and opportunities of growth for your child this school year.
- Here is the link to reserve your appointment time for your child's homeroom teacher:  
[Conference Appointment Sign-up](#)
- If you are scheduling more than one conference due to additional children in your family, we request that you leave a time slot between conferences to allow for ample passing time to help keep us on schedule.
- Access Code: 2526conferences



### ***Blessing of the Animals***

#### **Memorial of St. Francis**

- October 4<sup>th</sup>, the Church will recognize the Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi. We too will honor St. Francis with a Blessing of the Animals Prayer Service.
- The first grade class is very busy preparing to lead us in prayer on Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Please consider parking your car, gathering with other families at the Coffee Social and then joining us on the playground in front of the 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms.
- If your pet(s) are joining us, please be sure they are kept leashed or cozy in a container. We do have some children that are not comfortable around animals and we want to also give them the opportunity to enjoy this prayerful time. Thank you for creating this atmosphere for them.
- We will begin as soon as Fr. Luke concludes morning mass (8:40ish.)
- Once our Prayer Service concludes, we will say good-bye to all our feathered, scaled and furry friends and return to our classrooms. We hope to see you there!



### **TIME SENSITIVE**

#### • **Last Chance Altar Servers**

- If interested, please choose one of the scheduled trainings: October 11, 18 or 25. Once trained, students will shadow more experienced Servers during Sunday Mass and school

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liturgies. A flyer has been posted on our website with additional details.

### **Virtue**

*Virtues are dispositions and habits that guide your decision making and action steps to the positive. Through virtues, God gives us the grace to live as we should and to be charitable with all mankind.*

**Weekly Virtue: Responsibility** (also known as Duty)

**Definition:** Fulfilling one's just duties; accepting the consequences of one's words and actions, intentional and unintentional.

**Prayer:** Dear Jesus, please help me to be faithful in all the duties You have entrusted to me this day, fulfilling each with great care and love!

**Responsibility Looks Like:** Keeping your room clean.

**Obedience Sounds Like:** I cleaned my room!



- **October Dine Out-Today**

- Join families at Jacks Urban Eats from 4-8pm TODAY or order take out if you are on the run.
- If you mention St. Agnes school when ordering or use the online code, Jacks will donate 20% of your order back to St. Agnes School! The flyer is posted on our website.

- **The Herd is On the MOOOVE!**

- This is a fun way to surprise your child's buddy or just spread some joy to another family by purchasing a herd of "cows" to visit their yard. Consider adding cookies and milk for an additional \$5.00. A flyer has been posted on our website.

- **It's a Wrap!**

- Our Charleston wrap fundraiser is right around the corner! The dates for this fundraiser will be 10/8-11/5 and is fully online.
- A packet has been included in your family envelope today!

- **Coffee Socials Return!**

- The first Coffee Social will take place this Friday on the Ministry Center patio beginning at 7:45am.
- Bring your mug and join us for some quality parent time!

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- The 8<sup>th</sup> grade and Kinder families will be hosting this event. Thank you!

### ***Parish News***

#### • **Crab & Tri-Tip Dinner**

- The Knights of Columbus are inviting you to a dinner on Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.
- Be the first to kick off the crab dinner season!
- A flyer with details and reservation form has been included in our Resources and Forms tab on our website.
- Reservations are due by October 10<sup>th</sup>.

	<b>IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS</b>
10/1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Minimum Day – 12:00 Dismissal</li><li>• Dine Out @ Jacks 4-8pm</li></ul>
10/2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Scrip Sold 9-11am</li></ul>
10/3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Coffee Social</li><li>• Blessings of the Animals 8:40am</li><li>• Scrip Sold 9-11am</li><li>• Mass 1:30 – Formal</li><li>• Progress Reports Go Home</li></ul>
10/4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Work Party 9am-1pm</li></ul>
10/5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</li></ul>
10/7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Spirit T-Shirt Tuesday</li><li>• PACE Meeting 6:30 – Cauchi Hall</li></ul>
10/8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Minimum Day – 12:00 Dismissal</li><li>• Parent Teacher Conferences 1-8pm</li></ul>
10/9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Minimum Day – 12:00 Dismissal</li><li>• Parent Teacher Conferences 1-8pm</li></ul>
10/10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Minimum Day – 12:00 Dismissal</li></ul>
10/13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Columbus Day Holiday – No School</li></ul>

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