

St. Gregory Parish School Newsletter Volume
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St. Gregory Parish School strives to create and foster a safe learning environment where a child may grow spiritually, academically, emotionally, and socially through a quality education, a living relationship with God and a respect for themselves and others. We strive to recognize that each person is sacred and unique, and we encourage each student to explore and meet their full potential, so that they may successfully respond to the challenges of life and the call to become leaders for Christ, America and the world.

2nd and 3rd Grade Sacraments Meetings:

There is a Parent/Child Meeting for all 2nd graders who will be making their First Reconciliation on Sunday, October 27th from 10:15-11:30 AM in the school gym.

The students in 3rd grade who will be making their First Communion, the Parent/Child meeting will be on Sunday, November 3rd from 10:15-11:30 AM in the school gym.

There will be NO SCHOOL on Wednesday, October 2nd & Friday, October 11th for In Service Days for teacher. Also there will be NO SCHOOL on Monday, October 14th in observation of Columbus Day.

PTO Meeting

The next PTO Meeting for **anyone** interested is Monday, October 7th at 6:30 p.m. in the school library. All families are encouraged and welcome to attend.

End of 1st Marking Quarter –

Thursday, October 31st

Report Cards will be sent home & emailed on November 7th

QUICKSCHOOLS Student Management System

St Gregory School uses QuickSchools (<https://stgregs.quickschools.com>), an online school management software that keeps track of your child's progress and attendance. As parents, you can get updates on your child's records and progress via your account, which is now ready for use. Your login details were emailed to you. If you did not receive an email with your login information please contact the school office at gregory1@stgregs.net or by calling 725-4571.

SMILE!! MAKE UP PICTURE

DAY IS Wednesday, October 23rd!

Pictures will also be taken of all groups for the yearbook



Halloween Parade & Parties ~ Thursday, October 31th

For those children who choose to wear a costume, please keep the following in mind:

Costumes should not include:

- Face makeup or masks, as these can impair vision, muffle speech and impact student safety
- Costumes should not include accessories, or any type of weapon (i.e. replica guns, knives, etc.) that can impact safety or mobility
- Long costumes may pose trip hazards



For any children who wish to show their all spirit on October 31st, but do not wish to wear a Halloween costume, they can wear fall colors, i.e., orange, black, red, yellow, brown, purple, or school colors on that day.

If you would like to send Halloween treats/candy to school with your children we ask that you send enough treats for the entire class. If you wish to send non-food treats in for the class for Halloween, items such as pencils or stickers are good options as well.

Our schedule will include:

PK-8 Students will have a costume parade around the school building at 1:30pm (if the weather is inclement we will move the parade inside to the gym). Following the parade, we will have Boo Bingo and snacks in their homerooms. (Room parents please contact your assigned teacher to find out what he/she may need). *Parents may watch the parade but are required to have proper clearances to be inside the classrooms. Please check with the office to make sure that your files are up to date.*

5th Annual Walk-A-Thon

On Friday, November 1, 2024, Students will be participating in the St. Gregory Parish School Annual Walk-a-Thon.

Students will walk beginning at 10:30 AM on our school campus in honor of and/or in memory of loved ones. Parents are welcome to come and walk with their children.

The funds collected will go to our school to help fund the many field trips taken during the year.

We hope you can help by sponsoring a student in honor or memory of your loved one. A memorial sign will be made for your loved one and placed around the walk-a-thon course for all to see as they walk.

INCENTIVE, INCENTIVE, INCENTIVE!!!

- Students who collect \$50.00 in pledge donations will win a one day no uniform pass for the 2024-25 school year.
- Students who collect \$75.00 in pledge donations will win one homework pass plus the uniform pass for the 2023-24 school year.
- Students who collect \$125.00 in pledge donations will earn one homework pass plus a whole weeks' worth of no uniform passes for the 2024-25 school year.
- The student with the highest amount of monetary pledges will win \$50.00 cash or a gift card of their choice.

Also, the 2 top students who collect the highest amount of monetary pledges will win a lunch out with 2 teachers of their choice.

ALL PLEDGE FORMS AND DONATIONS ARE DUE NO LATER THAN Thursday, October 31, 2024

**Advisory Board Meeting
Tuesday, October 8th at 7 PM**

Parent Teacher Conferences

We are beginning to schedule conferences for November 26th and 27th. These conferences will be scheduled either in person at the school or via Zoom. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss student performance for the first quarter grading period. In an effort to schedule all parents and to schedule parents who have children in various grade levels, we are asking for the following information: Please check off at least four (4) times listed on the form that is being sent home in the Thursday Folder that you are available to have a conference. These forms are due **no later than Friday, November 1, 2024**, to your oldest child's homeroom teacher to give us time to schedule everyone and set up zoom invitations. If you do not return this form, we cannot guarantee a time that will fit your schedule. **This year we are asking that the older students in Levels 3 and 4 attend their conferences with their parents.** **If you do not require a conference at this time, please sign the form stating such.**

Thank you for taking the time to do this promptly.

Each conference is scheduled for 15 minutes.

Pink Ribbon Walk for Breast Cancer Awareness Thursday, October 3rd



Students at Saint Gregory School made pink ribbons to help “Paint the Town Pink” to increase awareness on the topic of breast cancer. These ribbons will be displayed in the North East businesses storefronts.

Students will do a socially distanced “Pink Walk” through town to view their ribbons on **Friday, October 4th**, we will also have a Jeans and Pink day. Any student who wishes to wear jeans and a pink shirt or accessory on this day may do so by bringing in a donation of \$1.00 or more with all proceeds benefiting breast cancer research.

One Call Parent Notification System

Please make sure your phone numbers are up to date for our One Call Parent Notification System. This call system is used to relay important messages to families regarding things going on in the school, school closures, etc. Due to this system is shared with our parish, the phone number that may come up on your caller ID is 814-725-9691. This is the Rectory phone number. If you receive a call from this number, more than likely it is a parent broadcast. If you cannot answer the call, please let it go to voicemail and you will receive a message. We ask that you do not call back the number to find out why you missed a call. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.



Hot Lunch Order – November 2024 – DUE 10/25/24

Name: _____ Grade: _____

11/7/24 Pasta, Salad & Roll _____ x \$4.00 \$ _____

11/14/24 Chicken Picker Bowl _____ x \$4.00 \$ _____

11/21/24 Hot Han & Cheese, Soup, Fruit _____ x \$4.00 \$ _____

Total Lunches Ordered _____ x \$4.00=\$ _____ Enclosed

SUBWAY Order Form – November 2024– DUE 10/25/24

Name: _____ Grade: _____

11/12/24 _____ Ham _____ Turkey _____ Cold Cut Combo
_____ White Bread _____ Wheat Bread

Total Subs Ordered _____ x \$5.00=\$ _____ Enclosed

Crusade for Kids Auction

Now is a good time to start procuring or purchasing items that are on clearance from summer. Please contact Travis Lindahl at travishurst@hotmail.com if you are in need of businesses to procure from.

Pizza Order Form – November 2024– DUE 10/25/24

Name: _____ Grade: _____

11/5/24 #slices _____ c or p x \$2.00 \$ _____

11/19/24 #slices _____ c or p x \$2.00 \$ _____

Total Slices Ordered _____ x \$2.00=\$ _____ Enclosed

Parish Spaghetti Dinner
Saturday, October 26th
4 PM to 7 PM
Dine in or Take Out
School Gym

St. Gregory



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI DAY ANNUAL BLESSING OF PETS

ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL will be welcome at St. Gregory School on **Friday, October 4th at 2:30 p.m.** for the Blessing of Animals on the front east lawn. Families may bring pets or pictures of pets for the blessing. This service commemorates the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, a 13th century Italian well-known for his hospitality to all non-human as well as human creatures. St. Francis believed that all creatures are loved and cherished by God and should be treated with dignity and respect. Thank you for continuing to be a blessing to your pets by loving and caring for them.

"A single sunbeam is enough to drive away many shadows." St. Francis of Assisi

PLAN AHEAD

November 1st –All Saints Day 9:15 AM Liturgy
Walk-A-Thon 10:30 AM

November 7th & 8th – North East Schools ½ Days – Special bus schedules will be arranged, if needed

November 11th - PTO Meeting at 6:30 PM
Veterans Day
World Kindness Week Begins

Fall Fest

Saturday October 12th

5:00-8:00 PM

Football Lottery Winners



Congratulations to the following winners:

WEEK 1

1st Place – 118 points TIE - \$87.50 each

D. Vanderlee – Dunkirk

Chris Johnson – North East

2nd Place – NONE due to tie

3rd Place – 117 points - \$50

Glenda Kostek – North East

Lowest – 9 points - \$25

Marsha Straight – North East

WEEK 2

1st Place – 116 points - \$100

Dave Devine – North East

2nd Place – 111 points - \$75

Denise Nowcinski – Erie

3rd Place – 110 points - \$50

Greg Sambor – North East

Lowest – 19 points TIE - \$12.50 each

Mike Harris – North East

Dan Coletta – North East

WEEK 3

1st Place – 117 points \$100

Nick Johnson – Erie

2nd Place – 116 points - \$75

Joe DePalma – Erie

3rd Place – 115 points - \$50

Amy Steele – North East

Lowest – 19 points - \$25

Mike Dunlavey – North East

Fall Fest for all school families. There will be Bounce Houses, "Trunk or Treat" (families decorate their car/vehicles and give out treats) Hay Rides, Halloween Crafts and a snack of Hot Dogs & Chips.

The cost is free and it is sponsored by the PTO. Trunk or Treat will begin at 5:00 p.m. Hay Rides will begin at 5:30 p.m.

What is Trunk or Treat? Trunk or Treat is a Halloween event where people gather and park their cars in a parking lot. They open their trunks, or the backs of their vehicles, and decorate them. They then pass out treats from their trunks. This is a St Greg's family event so homemade treats or fresh fruit would also be welcome.

When it comes to decorating your vehicle there are the obvious choices, like decorating for Halloween, using pumpkins, spider webbing, spiders, brooms (not too scary please as we have a lot of very young children). The best way to plan your trunk is to pick a theme. Think of it like dressing yourself in a costume. Sometimes you pick a theme and throw things together. Other ideas are your favorite cartoon, sport or hobby. Check the internet for lots of "trunk or treating" ideas.

If any parent, grandparent or teenage sibling would like to participate please call the school office before October 4th.

**November 26th & 27th – Parent Teacher Conferences
NO SCHOOL**

November 28th – Thanksgiving NO SCHOOL

November 29th – NO SCHOOL

**November 12th – Advisory Meeting 7 PM
Feast of St. Gregory 9:15 AM Liturgy**

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- Cranberry Fall Triple
- Morning Coffee
- Mulled Cider
- Peppermint Twist
- Pumpkin Spice
- A Christmas Candle
- Warm Butterscotch Bourbon
- Winter Wonderland

13 oz. Tin "Can"dles - 100 Hr. Burn Time

- Balsam Pine
- Gingerbread Vanilla
- Homemade Sugar Cookie
- Tuscan Vineyard

4 oz. Room Sprays

- Balsam Pine
- Peppermint
- French Vanilla

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- Holiday—Cranberry Orange Spice, Winter Wonderland, Sugar Cookie, Balsam Pine.

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