# Gator Gazette

May 6, 2022

#### Main Office: 513-574-4035

Dear Gator families.

On Wednesday we had very special guests for our Special Person Day. The day started with an all school mass, breakfast then visits to the classroom and Book Fair. It was great to see so many smiling faces in the building. Thank you special guests for making the day so memorable.

Our students have been working hard this week completing science testing.

Thanks to our families for supporting our Book Fair. Hope you all got some great summer reading material for those long, lazy days when you are missing school so much!

Thank you to our amazing teachers for all you do for our students. Your dedication to our school inspires us all. I hope our great PTO, staff and students made you fell special this week during Teacher Appreciation Week. God bless you all.

Fingers crossed that the rain holds off for all of our students on field trips today.

Happy Mother's Day to all of our great moms! We really appreciate you.

#### Mark your calendars for all of our upcoming events.

- May 9 May Crowning in the Mary Garden 10:00am
- May 10 Marketing Meeting 7pm in the cafeteria
- May 11 PTO General Assembly: Mrs. Paul and Mr. Auer will hold an introductory session at 6:30 Prior to the meeting introducing the new program for next year <u>The Science of Reading</u>. This session will help parents understand the program so they can help their students get a jump start over the summer
- May 15 Rosary for First Communicants wear your communion clothing and join the families that say the rosary after 10am mass on Sunday
- May 23 Field Day
- May 26 8th Grade Graduation
- May 27 Preschool and Kindergarten Graduation.

#### Last Day of School

Enjoy your weekend.

Mr. Auer

#### **Mission Statement**

St. Aloysius Gonzaga School is a Christ centered, Roman Catholic, elementary school where the children are empowered to become full and productive members of the Church and society. We strive to educate, in partnership with the parents, the whole child spiritually, physically, intellectually and emotionally.

## Preschool 513-587-3978

## Reminders

#### Latest news is on the home page

Access to the Gator Gazette (past and current) Links to join your child's class facebook group/ St. Al's Facebook page

Links to pay for school lunch and to log into My Student Progress parent portal

Access handbook, calendar, school supplies and other important documents

Easily report an absence

Easy enrollment: Immediately upload all documentation needed and make payment.

Quick link to SafeParish

Quick access to all Athletic sign-ups and PTO information

Misplaced a flyer that went home, or can't find the facebook feed that mentioned an event you wanted to attend? It is on the website.

Volunteers make our school great. Please join the Athletic and PTO Organizations and attend meetings and fundraisers.

## Summer Help opening

Great seasonal position in maintenance and grounds for Highschool or college students.

May through August - 40 hours per week.

Please contact Ken Schultz at 513-574-4840, ext. 204 or email at ken.schultz@stalsbridgetown.org.

If you know of someone you can send them Ken's way!

**Substitute Teachers** are needed: The entire city is experiencing a shortage of subs. The State has altered requirements for substitutes this year. Please consider helping out. Call the school office to see if you are eligible.

#### **Dates to Remember**

May Crowning May 9, 10am in the Mary Garden

PTO positions are available for next year! Please check the schools website for available positions and to apply!





# A letter from the Director

The countdown is on! It sounds crazy saying this but M-F students only have 15 days of school left, M,W,F students only have 9 days left, and Tuesday/Thursday students have 6 days left! The next three weeks will be busy with fun filled end of the year activities, so please make sure to mark your calendars for the upcoming events!

Please see below for important upcoming dates and events:

-Preschool's End of the Year Celebration is Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:30, which is the last day of school. This is an end of the year celebration for ALL of our preschool friends! Students will dismiss for the day after the celebration at 10:30. Please see the Preschool End of the Year Celebration flyer for more details!

-Preschool students will attend May Crowning on Monday morning at 10:00. May Crowning will take place in the Mary Garden located behind the preschool building.

-Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> & Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> will be Water & Picnic Day! ALL FULL DAY students will need to pack a lunch and drink. There will NOT be hot lunch available from the cafeteria. Students will need to bring a beach towel for the day. Please have your child wear shoes that can get wet!

Thank you, Stephanie Goettke

# From the Pastoral Associate Julie McDonald

## Happy Mother's Day!

I'd like to wish all the mom's a very happy Mother's Day. I'd like to share this story with you that a friend of mine gave me that her mother gave to her.

### ANGELS

Once upon a time there was a child ready to be born. The child asked God, "They tell me you are sending me to earth tomorrow, but how am I going live there being so small and helpless?"

God replied, "Among the many angels, I chose one for you. Your angel will be waiting for you and will take care of you."

The child further inquired, "But tell me, here in heaven I don't have to do anything but sing and smile to be happy." God said, "Your angel will sing for you and will also smile for you every day. And you will feel your angel's love and be very happy."

Again the child asked, "And how am I going to be able to understand when people talk to me if I don't know the language?" God said, "Your angel will tell you the most beautiful and sweet words you will ever hear, and with much patience and care, your angel will teach you how to speak."

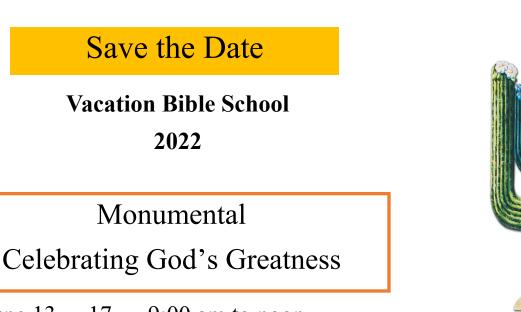
"And what am I going to do when I want to talk to you?" God said, "Your angel will place your hands together and will teach you how to pray.:

"I've heard that on Earth there are bad men. Who will protect me?" God said, "Your angel will defend you even if it means risking its life."

"But I will always be sad because I will not see you anymore." God said, "Your angel will always talk to you about me and will teach you the way to come back to me, even though I will always be next to you."

At that moment there was much peace in heaven, but voices from Earth could be heard and the child hurriedly asked, "God, if I am to leave now, please tell me my angel's name."

Her name is not important. You simply call her Mom."



## June 13 - 17 9:00 am to noon

At Monumental VBS kids celebrate God's Greatness! Monumental is filled with awesome Bibles learning experiences that the kids see, hear and touch! They will do fun science experiments, play team-building games, learn and sing unforgettable Bible songs and be encouraged to see God all around them in what we call "God sightings!" These are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life.

Join us at St Aloysius on June 13-17 from 9:00 until noon each day. Cost is \$20

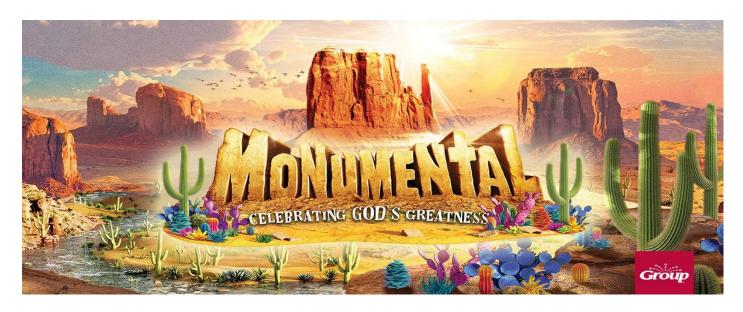
All students entering Grades K thru 6th are invited to attend. Anyone in grades 7<sup>th</sup> or older interested in helping with VBS please contact Peggy Cappel.

Register at myvbs.org/stjudeals Registration ends May 23

Any questions contact Peggy Cappel 513-288-9031 or piapegy@gmail.com

# **Volunteers needed:** To help set up in the week prior to VBS. No skill necessary but will be put to good use if you have them. We will be building monument valley, complete with cactus. We need painters, box cutters and many miscellaneous other jobs. We will be working in the undercroft at St Al's most days. Please contact Peggy Cappel at 288-9031 if you can offer a few hours of help.

We also need 7th & 8th graders as team leaders during VBS.



## May Lunch Menu

| Monday T   | Tuesday Wed  | nesday Thurse   | day Friday   |  |
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| 2<br>Chicken Patty<br>Baby Carrots<br>Fruit                | 3<br>Hot Dog on a<br>Bun<br>Tater Tots<br>Fruit        | 4<br>Popcorn Chicken<br>Corn<br>Applesauce              | 5<br>Salisbury<br>Steak<br>Mashed<br>Potatoes<br>Fruit   | 6<br>Ham/Turkey<br>Subs<br>Baked Chips<br>Apple      |
| 9<br>Spaghetti/<br>Meatballs<br>Breadsticks<br>Green Beans | 10<br>Three Ways<br>Carrot Sticks<br>Crackers<br>Fruit | 11<br>Chicken Nuggets<br>Corn<br>Applesauce             | 12<br>Grilled Cheese<br>Tomato Soup<br>Goldfish Crackers | 13<br>French Toast Sticks<br>Turkey Sausage<br>Fruit |
| 16<br>Hamburgers<br>Potato Rounds<br>Fruit                 | 17<br>Chicken<br>Tenders<br>French Fries<br>Fruit      | 18<br>Egg Sausage Bis-<br>cuits<br>Hash Browns<br>Fruit | 19<br>Pizza Slices<br>Green Beans<br>Fruit               | 20<br>Mini Corn Dogs<br>Tater Tots                   |
| 23<br>No lunch<br>Field Day<br>Bagged lunch                | 24<br>Soft Beef Tacos<br>Lettuce & Cheese<br>Fruit     | 25<br>Cheesy Breadsticks<br>Mixed Veggies<br>Fruit      | 26<br>PIZZA HUT<br>Day— \$1.50 per<br>slice              | Fruit<br>27<br>No Lunch                              |
| available<br>30  | 31   | Have a Great  | See you in   | Last Day of<br>School<br>Have Fun and be safe        |



# May Crowning

May 9th

10:00 am

Crownng of Mary will take

place in the Mary Garden by

the back parking lot, weather

permitting



## Panthers Junior High Running Club

Boys entering the seventh and eighth grade next fall are invited to join the Panthers Junior High Cross Country team. If you are interested in learning about the sport of cross country and long-distance running, join the team for summer conditioning every Tuesday at 5:30 pm at Fernbank Park, beginning July 5th. Tuesday-Thursday-Saturday practices will begin August 2nd. The running club is open to all boys entering 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade from the West side of town. No experience is needed to join and conditioning is free. Meets begin in mid-August with 8-10 races ending in mid-October.

If interested, contact Rob Carvitti at panthersrunningclub@gmail.com.





To purchase tickets, please scan this QR code with your smart device or visit: reds.Com/KidGlove

6:40 P.M.

For questions or group purchases of 15 or more, please email Nick at NGeraci@reds.com.

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## St. Al's PTO Fundraiser

## **Kroger Community Rewards**



**DETAILS:** Every purchase on your Kroger card can raise money for the St. Al's PTO. You only need to sign up once and you will earn rewards for the school with every shopping trip! You can enroll at any time, so please try to get your family and friends to sign up

## How to Sign Up



#### Option 1 - Through their website.

Follow the link: https://www.kroger.com/account/ communityrewards/

Create/sign in with your digital Kroger account. Search either by the org name **St. Aloysius Gonzaga School PTO** or org number **RX687**. Click ENROLL and you are finished!

Option 2 - Through their app.

Download the Kroger app and create/sign in with your digital Kroger account.

Click on the MORE drop down in the top right corner. Click Rewards  $\rightarrow$  Community Rewards  $\rightarrow$  Search for Organization Search by org name **St. Aloysius Gonzaga School PTO** 

or by org number **RX687**.

Click ENROLL and you are finished!

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