

#### **Gator Gazette**

#### February 24, 2023

Main Office: 513-574-4035 Preschool Office: 513-587-3978

To our St. Al's school families:

A look at some upcoming events:

Friday, February 24 – End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester, NO SCHOOL

Fish Fry, 4:30pm-7:00pm

Monday, Feb. 27 – Friday, March 3 – Dr. Seuss/Read Across America Week (Preschool-5<sup>th</sup> Grade)

Tuesday, February 28 - Mass, 8:00am

Friday, March 3 - Report Cards sent home

Fish Fry, 4:30pm-7:00pm

Tuesday, March 7 - Mass, 8:00am

Wednesday, March 8 - PTO General Assembly, 6:30pm

Please come the Parish Fish Fry and enjoy a fantastic Lenten Friday meal served up by the folks in our own Parish and School communities. The Fish Fry runs from 4:30pm-7:00pm each Friday during Lent and is Carry Out only.

The Family of the Holy Eucharist is asking all school and parish families to participate in the Disciple Maker Index Survey - a survey designed to better inform us of the community that is present at each of our individual parishes/ schools by Monday, February 27 at 11:00pm. Each parish/school community has their own specific link – please follow this link for St. Aloysius Gonzaga: <a href="https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/y8pgby">https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/y8pgby</a>. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this important step for our Parish Family.

A schedule/calendar for Dr. Seuss/Read Across America next week has been sent home. This year, the Preschool and Grades K-5 will be participating while the Middle School (Grades 6, 7, 8) will not. While we appreciate and understand the reason behind the celebration, this really is something geared toward the younger students.

As you know, all enrollment paperwork was due on February 10. As of today, there are a couple of classes that are nearing the point that we will need to close registration and start waiting lists. At this time, we are enrolling new students, so please get your re-enrollment paperwork ASAP!

My schedule for this coming week will be: Monday, Wednesday (AM), Friday – St. Al's; Tuesday, Wednesday (PM), Thursday – St. Martin's (subject to change if needed).

Thank you for all you do!

Mr. Fightmaster



#### Hello Preschool Families!

Preschool had a very busy short week! Our friends worked hard to show off how much they are learning this year during their assessments. These assessments will be sent home in mid-March right before conferences. We also attended mass for Ash Wednesday. The preschoolers received many compliments on how well they did during mass. As always please reach out if you have any questions or concerns. Have a great weekend! Please see below for important upcoming dates and events:

- -Preschool has had quite a few cases of strep throat. If your child shows symptoms or complains of a sore throat, please keep them home.
- -St. Aloysius Fish Fry starts Friday, February 24th! It's the BEST fish fry on the West side!
- -Preschool will celebrate Dr. Suess Week from February 27<sup>th</sup> March 3rd. Please see the flyer that was sent home for all the details!
- -Girl Scout Troop 4455 will be hosting Ties and Tiaras A Glow Dance with My Guy on March 11th. A flyer with more details was sent home this week.
- -Preschool conferences will be on March 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>. Teachers will send out a Sign-Up Genius the week prior.
- -Please make sure your child is bringing a CLEAN water bottle to school each day.
- -If you are sending foods that are high risk for choking, such as grapes, please be sure to cut them up! Also, we have a lot of children not eating certain foods in their lunches, saying they do not like them. It may be a good idea to have a conversation with them about their likes & dislikes.

Thank you, Stephanie Goettke & Preschool Staff



# Ties and Tiaras A Glow Dance with My Guy

Hosted by Girl Scout Troop 4455

WHEN: March 11, 2023 6:30pm-9:30pm

WHERE: St. Aloysius Gym

\$12.00 per couple/ 5\$ each additional child. Dance is open to all St. Al's students

Preschool-8<sup>Th</sup> grade

Come join us for dancing, DJ and photo booth fun!

Refreshments and light snacks will be served

Please return forms and payment to school ATTN: Erin Gassett by Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>

Questions??? Email Erin Gassett at eegassett126@gmail.com

**Ties & Tiaras Glow Dance** 

Childs Name	
Additional Children	
Additional Children	<del></del>
Total Payment Included	

## St. Al's Bridgetown Cornhole Tournament



## SATURDAY, MARCH 25TH St. Aloysius Gonzaga School Gym Doors Open at 6:30 ~ Tournament Starts at 7:00

\$55.00 per Team; limited to the first 64 Teams, 2 loss format Visa/MC accepted at the door!

Adults only, MUST be 21 or older. AMATEURS ONLY PLEASE!

Admission includes the tournament fee, 2 food tickets and 2 beer mugs

#### CANNED BEER WILL BE SOLD. PLEASE NO COOLERS!! NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR DRINKS!!

The top two winners of the tournament will win cash prizes! (1st Place \$400, 2nd Place \$200)

#### **HURRY AND MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW!**

Contact Erin Gassett by email at **eegassett126@gmail.com** or by phone at 513-659-5374 to make your reservation

Admission for spectators is just \$5.00!

There will also be hourly Split-the-Pot raffles.



### 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 as well!

#### **HOW TO SIGN UP:**

#### Option 1 - Through their website.

Follow the link: <a href="https://www.kroger.com/">https://www.kroger.com/</a>
<a href="https://www.kroger.com/">account/communityrewards/</a>

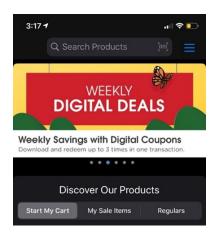
Create/sign in with your digital Kroger account.

Search either by the org name **St. Aloys- ius 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 in the DROP down top right. Click Rewards—Search for Organization. Search by St. Aloysius Gonzaga School PTO or by organization # RX687. Click ENROLL and you are finished

## Looking to schedule facility space or check for an event? Access scheduling calendar at stalsbridgetown.org

#### **Facility Scheduling**

The Parish office holds the calendar for use of all rooms on the campus. Before your group sets a meeting, practice or event you need to call Laura in the parish office 513-574-4840 and check availability. Conflicts like the rescheduling of the Open House would not happen if everyone followed procedure. This includes all church groups. Visit stalsbridgetown.org and view what is open.

#### **Gazette Articles**

If you'd like to share information in the Gazette, please email a Word document to rectory@stalsbridgetown.org by noon each Thursday.

#### **SAFEPARISH**

**SafeParish** is the new Child Protection Platform for the AoC, taking the place of **VIRTUS**.

By now all volunteers and employees should have received an email from SafeParish inviting them to register for their SafeParish account. If you did not receive the email, please check your spam or junk mail folders. You can also find a copy of the SafeParish registration instructions by going to the AoC's Safe Environment Office webpage at <a href="https://catholicaoc.org/offices/safe-environment">https://catholicaoc.org/offices/safe-environment</a> and going to *Top Resources* and then clicking the link for SafeParish.



Dear Family of the Most Holy Eucharist,

Lenten greetings! As we continue to explore the new reality of coming together as one family of five parishes, we want to give you an update on a transitional change that will be occurring soon. Beacons of Light brings about an opportunity for all of our parish leaders; Administrative staff, DRE's, Pastoral Associates, Business Managers, etc. to shift from serving individual parishes to serving the family of parishes. To do this well, we need time together to learn about what one another does, to learn new roles, and transition into a new vision of leadership. In order to facilitate this process and to allow for afternoon training, meetings, and collaborative work time in various parish offices, *we will be adjusting all parish office hours*. Effective April 11<sup>th</sup>, all parish offices will be open from 9am-Noon Monday through Friday. Anyone who needs to stop by after 12 noon will simply need to contact the office in advance to make arrangements outside of office hours.

We thank you for your support and ask that you continue to pray for our Church, for our 5 parishes, and the folks who dedicate so much time and energy in helping to operate our parishes.

Lenten blessings~ Erin Dwyer, Pastoral Associate & Coordinator of Beacons of Light

#### LAST CALL! SURVEY ENDS FEBRUARY 27!

If you have not done so, please go to the appropriate link below, to complete the Disciple Maker Index Survey. Paper copies must be submitted to your parish office no later than close of business on February 27th.

- St. Martins https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/y9g1gy
- St. Als https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/y8pgby
- St. Antoninus https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/yptd5y
- St. Catharine https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/yta2a3
- OLL https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/ypx5p3



MASS	ATTENDA	NCE~ FEE	3 18/19		
	Mass				
Sat, Feb 18	3:00 PM	St. Antoninus	209		
	3:30 PM	St. Aloysius	318		
	4:00 PM	OLL	181		
	4:30 PM	St. Catharine	88		
Sun, Feb 19	8:30 AM	St. Martin	202		
	9:00 AM	OLL	220		
	9:30 AM	St. Antoninus	370		
	10:00 AM	St. Aloysius	221		
	10:30 AM	St. Martin	194		
	11:00 AM	St. Catharine	204		
		TOTAL	2,207		



Family of the Most Holy Eucharist



#### **FAMILY LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES**



## Lenten Supper

& Guest Speaker
Our Lady of Lourdes

(School Cafeteria)

Thursday, March 23, 6pm

Please Join Us!

#### Adoration & Confession EVERY WEDNESDAY! 6-8pm

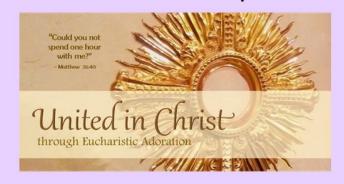
March 1 St. Antoninus

March 8 St. Aloysius of Gonzaga

March 15 St. Martin of Tours

March 22 St. Catharine of Siena

March 29 Our Lady of Lourdes



#### Join us for LIVE STATIONS OF THE CROSS!

Presented by: St. Aloysius School Jr. High students
Wednesday, April 5th at 1pm & 7pm in St. Aloysius Church.
Both performances are open to everyone.





#### LENTEN SCHEDULE: FAMILY OF THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST

#### Ash Wednesday

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Our Lady of Lourdes	St Aloysius Gonzaga	St Antoninus	St Catharine of Siena	St Martin of Tours
8:30 am	8:00 am	8:00 am	8:00 am	8:00 am
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Special Adoration and Confession Schedule: All nights conclude with Benediction 15 minutes prior to ending times

Our Lady of Lourdes	St Aloysius Gonzaga	St Antoninus	St Catharine of Siena	St Martin of Tours
March 29 7:00-9:00 pm	March 8 <sup>th</sup> 7:00-9:00 pm	March 1 <sup>st</sup> 7:00-9:00 pm	March 22 <sup>nd</sup> 7:00-9:00 pm	March 15 <sup>th</sup> 7:00-9:00 pm Evening Prayer at 7:00 pm

#### Regular Confession Schedule

Our Lady of Lourdes	St Aloysius Gonzaga	St Antoninus	St Catharine of Siena	St Martin of Tours
Monday: 9:00-9:30 am Saturday: 2:00-3:30 pm	Thursday: 9:00-9:30 am Saturday: 2:30-3:00 pm	Thursday: 6:30-8:00 pm Saturday: 8:30-9:30 am	Saturday: 3:00-4:00pm	Wednesday: 9:00-9:30 am

#### Stations of the Cross

Our Lady of Lourdes	St Aloysius Gonzaga	St Antoninus	St Catharine of Siena	St Martin of Tours
Fridays of Lent 1:00 pm	Tuesdays March 14 <sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm April 4 <sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm (Children's Live Stations)	Thursdays of Lent with Adoration & Benediction 7:00 pm (Confessions available)	Tuesdays March 7 <sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm Tuesdays March 21 <sup>st</sup> 7:00 pm	Fridays of Lent 7:00 pm

#### Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord- Regular Sunday Schedule

Our Lady of Lourdes	St Aloysius Gonzaga	St Antoninus	St Catharine of Siena	St Martin of Tours
Saturday: 4:00 pm	Saturday: 3:30 pm	Saturday: 3:00 pm	Saturday: 4:30 pm	Sunday:
Sunday: 9:00 am	Sunday: 10:00 am	Sunday: 9:30 am	Sunday: 11:00 am	8:30 & 10:30 am

#### THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

#### Holy Thursday of the Lord's Supper

Our Lady of Lourdes	St Aloysius Gonzaga	St Antoninus	St Catharine of Siena	St Martin of Tours
7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm	7:00 pm

#### Good Friday: Friday of the Passion of the Lord

Our Lady of Lourdes	St Aloysius Gonzaga	St Antoninus	St Catharine of Siena	St Martin of Tours
3:00 pm	12:30 pm	7:00 pm	1:30 pm	12:00 pm

#### The Easter Vigil In The Most Holy Night:

St Martin of Tours: 8:45 pm

#### Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection

Our Lady of Lourdes	St Aloysius Gonzaga	St Antoninus	St Catharine of Siena	St Martin of Tours
9:00 am	8:00 am	9:30 am	9:00 am	8:30 am
11:00 am	10:00 am	11:30 am	11:00 am	10:30 am

#### **Girl Scout Day Camp**

We're ready to have a Magical Time! Are you? Come join us as we explore the world of magic through games, crafts, songs, and activities. From Penn and Teller to Harry Potter, we will perform amazing prestidigitation, display mysterious marvels, and present sensational illusions! Everyone is sure to have a wand-waving, card-tricking, abracadabra time!

Join us the week of **June 19-23, 2023** at Miami Whitewater Park for some Magical fun. Registration opens April 1. Camp is open to **ALL girls entering grades 1-12** in the fall of 2022. Check the council website (<a href="https://camp.gswo.org/summer-camp-sessions/volunteer-led-day-camp/">https://camp.gswo.org/summer-camp-sessions/volunteer-led-day-camp/</a>) for our flier (scroll down the page, we are South 2B).

Our day camp is staffed completely by volunteers, so we welcome moms, dads, aunts, uncles, grandparents, and other adult friends to volunteer. A background in Girl Scouting is not necessary. Training is mandatory for all volunteers and will be provided by camp staff. Discounts are available for the children of volunteers, and a volunteer's preschool age children (ages 3-5) and boys (ages 6-12) may attend day camp in their own units at no additional charge.

For questions or to find out how your non-Girl Scout daughter can get in on the fun, email us at <a href="mailto:daycamp2b@hotmail.com">daycamp2b@hotmail.com</a>. We will get back to you within 48 hours of receiving your email. Looking forward to seeing you at camp!



## WINTER CARNIVAL OAK HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH MARCH 11TH 1:00 - 3:00PM

(COME AND GO AS YOU WISH DURING THESE HOURS)

GAMES, PRIZES, CRAFTS, POPCORN

SUGGESTED DONATIONS 5 NON-PERISHABLE FOOD, HOUSEHOLD, OR PERSONAL CARE ITEMS FOR OUR

COMMUNITY PANTRY OR \$5.00 PER FAMILY

ALL CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES WELCOME

CALL US FOR MORE INFORMATION: 513-574-1181

6069 BRIDGETOWN RD. CINCINNATI, OH 45248





#### St. Aloysius Gonzaga Gator Gear

Writely Sew @ https://www.writelysew.net/stores/StAls

Open all year for spirit wear purchases.
Orders delivered to student's homeroom.
Available Items updated throughout school year!
Any questions: Contact Ella George @ Email:

Spiritwear@saintals.org







#### Retirement of Old American Flags Cub Scout Pack 614 (St. Antoninus)

St. Antoninus Cub Scouts are collecting old flags for proper retirement. A box is available between the glass doors of the Tekulve Room. The scouts are planning a retirement ceremony with the VFW Hall in Cheviot to properly and respectfully our old flags this fall.

#### **DePaul Cristo Rey Open House**

is Thursday, November 3, 5-8 p.m. at our beautiful new campus at 3440 Central Parkway, 45223. It will include campus tours, and information on classes, DPCR's Corporate Work Study Program, 100% college acceptance rate, and the financial aid awarded to every family.

For more information, call 513.861.0600.