

## **Bear Blast**

PENTECOST
The birth of the Church

May 20 - 24, 2024

Our Mission - United by our core values of Faith, Family, Knowledge and Service, St. Anthony Catholic School is committed to providing a learning environment that promotes academic excellence, spiritual growth, and moral development. Preparing students to be good stewards of God's gifts.



Dear St. Anthony Families,

This is our last full week of school for the 2023-2024 school year! Lots of wonderful events are happening! The  $8^{th}$  graders will be traveling to Washington D.C. with Mr. Spivey, Mrs. Thomas, parent chaperones and Mrs. Galemmo. Please pray for safe travel, good health, and cooperative weather!  $4^{th}-7^{th}$  grades will be traveling to Bulls Island to explore the estuary as the nursery school of Mother Nature in route to the only forested island in the refuge, Bulls Island. Please include them in your prayers as well.

Field Day is Friday! Our Queens for Field Day are Lila and Gia Hieshetter! Mrs. G has been working very hard planning a wonderful day for our students. When I say we have an amazing field day, I mean it! We are still in need of volunteers and donated water. Please see more information included in the Bear Blast. Thank you!

Information regarding Summer Simple Solutions came home in the Tuesday Folder. This is St. Anthony School's required work to be completed over the summer. This series bridges the summer gap, stops learning loss, and provides short, daily practice of skills. Students are ready for new material when they return to school. Thank you for being partners in the educational process at St. Anthony Catholic School.

Do not forget to sign up for Run for the Heroes! Get some exercise, eat delicious pancakes, raise money for the school and American Red Cross, and spend some time outside with good friends!

Have a wonderful week and if you need to communicate with me, I will be checking emails at the end of the day. Please call the school office if it is urgent and the office will contact me.

Blessings, Mrs. Halemmo

#### Dates to Remember

May 6 - 24 - MAP Testing

May 20-23 - 8th Grade Trip to Washington D.C.

May 23 - Summer Birthday NUT Card Day

May 24 - Noon Dismissal; Field Day

May 27 - NO SCHOOL; Memorial Day; Run for the Heroes

May 28 - Preschool/Kindergarten Award Ceremony

May 29 - Noon Dismissal; Awards Day; Graduation

May 30 - Noon Dismissal; Last Day of School

#### Noon Dismissal on Friday

After Care will be available until 5:30 Regular charges apply Students should bring a bagged lunch.







#### May 24 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

If you are able to help, please call the school office to let Mrs. G know.

#### SUPPLIES NEEDED

We need small, bottled water for water breaks during Field Day. We also need coolers (preferably with wheels) to keep the water bottles cold.

#### PERMISSION FORMS

Bill's Bounce House will be bringing several inflatables to share at this event. In order for your child/children to participate you will need to complete the Festivals and Carnivals Parent Consent Form and Liability Waiver that was sent home in the Tuesday Folder. Students must have a signed form on file to use the inflatables.

#### **GENERAL INFO**

Students will be able to have one Kona Ice treat, pizza and a drink.

#### **FIELD DAY ATTIRE**









Students should wear their House T-shirt on Field Day. All students may wear athletic shorts (no bicycle shorts, no cutoffs) with their house shirt. Shorts must be of an appropriate length for school.

# Summer Solutions.

Minutes a Day–Mastery for a Lifetime

Information was sent in the Tuesday Folder about the Summer Solutions Books. Please be sure to sign and return the letter.

# WE NEED YOU TO RETURN YOUR LIBRARY BOOKS!

#### Prayer for Field Trips

Heavenly Father, we praise you and thank you for this wonderful opportunity to explore and learn outside the four-cornered walls called classroom. We pray dear Father that You will be with us as we enjoy this trip. Keep us safe from harm and bring us back to our loved ones and families safe and sound at the end.

Lord, support us with Your grace when we are tired. Help us be patient in any trouble which may come our way. Keep us always mindful of Your presence and love. Amen



Gia Hieshetter will be Principal for the Day on May 28. We can't wait to see what she has planned.



The last day for hot, school lunch was May 17 **Students need to bring a bagged lunch and drink from home**. Just a reminder – students may not bring canned or bottled sodas for lunch.

Beginning this week, After Care fees must be paid by check or cash at the time of service.

After Care will end at 5:30 p.m. on Field Day, and May 29. There is NO After Care May 30.



Thank you to all of the families that supported the American Heart Association by registering and donating for Heart Research. Our school did an amazing job! This year 33 students raised \$4,228.65, 65 students registered, and 5 students completed Finn's Mission. Mrs. Caffrey's 5K class had the most students to register. Our PE Department has received 2 gift certificates from US Games to spend towards some new PE equipment, and. All students that registered will receive a House point for their House. Way to go, St Anthony!!!

#### **Sundae Party**

#### **Celebration for Athletic Teams**

The school will provide the ice cream. <u>Parents are asked to send in toppings for the party</u>. The coaches will share some highlights from the season. **Please RSVP** to Mrs. G at dquerriero@saintanthonycatholic.com

Tuesday, May 28 3:15 - 4:30 p.m.

**Fall Soccer Teams** coached by Daniel Lorenzo, Joe Goffio, Hannah Davis, Mike Woodall, Thad Woodall, and Sebastian Narvaez.

Friday, May 31 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

**4-6th Grade Basketball, Middle School Basketball, and Coed Soccer teams** coached by Matt Hieshetter, Hannah Davis, Cory Lawrence, Claudine Rayess, Juan Pablo Narvaez, and Claudia Narvaez.



Enjoy some homemade tacos or tamales prepared by the St. Anthony Hispanic Community.

#### **MENU**

**Tamales** 

\$2.50

Plate of 4 TACOS

\$12.00

Includes CARNE ASADA (grilled flank steak) OR AL PASTOR (grilled pork) with onion, cilantro, lemon, and hot sauce.

**Drinks and Desserts** 

\$1.00 each

Pick-up 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. May 25<sup>th</sup> in the Family Center

Pre-orders are preferred to assist with planning. Tickets are available from the Church or School Office.



### Pentecost Prayer

Breathe in me O Holy Spirit
that my thoughts may all be holy;
Act in me O Holy Spirit
that my works, too, may be holy;
Draw my heart O Holy Spirit
that I love but what is holy;
Strengthen me O Holy Spirit
to defend that is holy;
Guard me then O Holy Spirit
that I always may be holy.

- St. Augustine of Hippo (AD 354-430)

#### **PENTECOST**

Pentecost is a feast day celebrated 50 days after Easter. The word Pentecost is rooted in Greek for "fiftieth." It is the feast that celebrates the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Church and is commonly referred to as the birthday of the Church.

In the Acts of the Apostles, Jesus explained that he was going to send the Holy Spirit. "This," he said, 'is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

The Acts of the Apostles describes how the disciples and Mary were gathered in prayer when the room was filled with the sound of a strong wind and tongues of fire rested over their heads. Granted the gifts of the Spirit at Pentecost, they were emboldened to speak the Good News to all men. The disciples spoke in tongues so that people from different areas could understand them. Peter gave a sermon that led to about three thousand people being baptized that day.

The seven gifts of the Holy Spirit are: Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety, and Fear of the Lord.

The 12 fruits of the Spirit are: Charity (love), Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Generosity, Gentleness, Faithfulness, Modesty, Self-control, and Chastity.









**Graduation Chorus** is comprised of the current middle school chorus and other 3<sup>rd</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> graders who have signed up to sing for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation. Singers need to report to the music room at <u>5:15 on Wednesday</u>, May 29 for the 6:00 Graduation/Mass. Attire is dressy church clothes.

Thursday is NUT Card Day for students with a June or July Birthday. Students may be out of uniform but must follow the dress code.

# Can you help with Run for the Heroes?

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- We need parent volunteers to assist with Racecourse Spotter/Guide, Parking Attendant, Sunday Setup at 1:00 PM, Race Day Setup at 6:00 AM, Race Day Cleanup immediately following breakfast, and Wherever Needed.
- We need donations of blueberries and strawberries.
   Deliver to the Family Center by noon Sunday, May 26.
- Volunteer Meeting May 26 at 1:00 p.m. in the Family Center to set-up and prepare.

For more details email: runfortheheroes5K10K@gmail.com



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St. Anthony Catholic School is proud to host the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Anthony Run for the Heroes 5k, 10k and Honor Walk on Monday, May 27, 2024. This year we will have a Fun Run for children 9 and Under.

#### Here are ways you can help us:

- Register for the Run for the Heroes at www.itsyourrace.com
- Be a **Promoter.** Invite your friends and family to join the race and register for your House's Team. Ask your friends and family to sponsor the race. Check with local businesses or your employer about being a corporate sponsor.

#### \*\*\* 50% OFF \*\*\*

All entry fees for military personnel and veterans. **Military** discount code: HERO50

#### **House Competition Points**

Students earn 2 House Points for each Registration. Do not forget to select your House in the Team Name field to receive your points.