

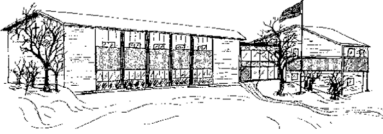
# St. Andrew School Newsletter

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## Looking Ahead:

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| Nov. 30    | Feast of St. Andrew, Mass at 10:00 (No a.m. Advent Prayer)                            |
| Dec. 1     | Picture retakes, Final deadline for jewelry orders                                    |
| Dec. 2     | K-1 Grandparents Christmas Tea, 1:00  |
| Dec. 6     | Half day, 11:45 dismissal, teacher meetings   |
| Dec. 7     | Student Council Ice Cream Sale  |
| Dec. 12    | Mid-quarter   |
| Dec. 16    | <b>Ski forms due</b>  |
| Dec. 16    | K-5 Christmas Program 1:00-2:30 (Students may go home with parents after the program) |
| Dec. 16    | 6-12 Christmas Program 7pm  |
| Dec. 19-30 | NO SCHOOL, Merry and Blessed Christmas  |
| Jan. 2     | Classes resume  |
| Jan. 6     | Ski day   |

## Ongoing Weekly Extracurricular Activities:

| Monday                     | Tuesday   | Wednesday                  | Thursday  | Friday |
|----------------------------|---|----------------------------|---|--------|
| Homework Club<br>3:00-4:15 | Homework Club 3:00-4:15<br>HS Boys BB 3-5 pm<br>JR Boys BB 4:30-5:30<br>HS Girls BB 5:30-7:00 | Homework Club<br>3:00-4:15 | Homework Club 3:00-4:15<br>HS Boys BB 3-5 pm<br>JR Boys BB 4:30-5:30<br>HS Girls BB 5:30-7:00 |        |

See Sports game schedules and other dates of interest in following pages

*Advent prayer*



Parents are welcome to join us for the Advent Scripture Readings every morning in the gym, promptly at 8:00 a.m.

Students may enter the gym as soon as they get to school, rather than waiting outside. Students can also wait in the gym before school on any day when it is extremely cold.

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## Feast of St. Andrew

Parents are welcome to attend our celebration of Mass at 10:00 on Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>.

Parents: if your contact information or your address changes, please let us know.

### Mark Your Calendar!

Dr. Ray Guarendi, Catholic clinical psychologist, author and radio and TV personality is coming to St. Andrew School to give a talk in honor of our 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Dr. Ray will be here Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> which is also during Catholic Schools Week. Tickets will be free but limited. St Andrew parents and supporters will be offered tickets first, but once those are distributed, the event will be open to the public. Watch the newsletter for the availability of tickets and act quickly. We expect that the gym will not be able to accommodate everyone who is interested. Parents will need to pick up their tickets early before the event is opened to the public.

**Picture re-takes are on Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>.** If you would like to have your child(ren)'s pictures retaken, there are forms in the office for you to use which have the correct order number on them.



### *Sacred Heart of Jesus, St. Andrew Junior League*

**Friday, Dec. 2, 11:45**

**Art Room**

Prayer, fellowship, snacks and the opportunity to learn more about the Sacred Heart of Jesus.  
All students are welcome.



### Grandparents' Christmas Tea



Grandparents of kindergarten and first grade are invited to a Christmas tea on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 p.m. in the school gym. Parents please encourage your parents to attend this event which will include making a craft with their grandchildren and getting to know the other grandparents in the class.

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## Graduating Seniors



Please remember to submit a Senior photo to the office for the yearbook and the Senior wall pictures. Pictures for the wall should be 2¼ x 3”.

**Deadline is: February 15th**

## Sports

### Jr. High Boys Basketball:

Tuesday, Nov. 29 Home game/Helena Christian 4:00  
Monday, Dec. 5 Home game/Boulder 5:00  
Tuesday, Dec. 6 Home game/Home School 4:00

### HS Girls Basketball:

Friday, Dec. 2 Game at Great Falls Bulldogs 6:00  
Monday, Dec. 5 Game at Whitehall 6:30

### HS Boys Basketball:

Friday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> Game at Great Falls Bulldogs 7:30

## Ice Cream Sale

**Wednesday, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>**

Student Council will sell ice cream at lunchtime to benefit the Guatemala Mission.  
Cost is \$2 per scoop; \$1 for toppings. Cash only.

## Seniors & Juniors SAT prep. Class

Mrs. Bell is holding SAT prep. classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1:15 in room 304 for students in grades 11 and 12. Students are not required to take the class, but it is HIGHLY recommended.

**All seniors should have taken either the SAT or ACT tests or be signed up to do so.** Juniors also need to be thinking about taking one or both of these tests. **Many juniors take the test in the early winter or spring.**

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## Christmas Program Clothing Requirements

- It is difficult to believe, but our Christmas programs are less than 4 weeks away! In order to save you some last minute running around, we would like to remind parents of the following dress code for the students:
- **Attire: grades 6-12**
- **Boys**—black dress pants (no jeans), white dress shirts (no polo's), and a red/burgundy neck tie; in addition, boys hair must meet uniform code.
- **Girls**—black skirts (must touch the knee when both standing and seated and not be tight), white collared blouse (no polo), red cross tie. In addition, girls' hair should be pulled back from their faces, if possible.
- **Attire: grades K-5**
- Students in this grade generally wear costumes that we keep here. As the time gets closer, your child's teacher will let you know what the class is wearing for the program.
- Also, we would like to offer the opportunity for parents to exchange Christmas program clothes. If you go to your child's closet and find a white shirt, a nice pair of black pants or a skirt that does not fit this year, please bring it to the office and we will help you find a trade, hopefully. Please feel free to take items that will fit your child.

## Exciting New Opportunity! Big Sky Scholarships

In 2015, the legislature passed Montana's first law specifically designed to give parents access to funding to find the best school for their student. This program offers dollar-for-dollar tax credit on your Montana taxes for up to \$150 per person (\$300 per couple). You are still entitled to claim a charitable deduction for donations above \$150 (\$300 per couple). The entire amount of any donation is eligible for the federal charitable deduction. St. Andrew School is an affiliate of the Big Sky Scholarship foundations. Parents may request that donations to this organization be directed to the St. Andrew School Scholarship program. Please call Donna Smillie (406-449-3201) if you would like to know more about how you can make a \$150-\$300 donation to help students attend St. Andrew and receive 100% credit for it on your taxes.

## St. Andrew Fine Jewelry Sale Fundraiser ENDS December 1<sup>st</sup>.

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Visit [www.stuller.com](http://www.stuller.com) and check out the beautiful jewelry we are offering. Contact Deirdre Teodosio at [auction@standrewschool.org](mailto:auction@standrewschool.org) or stop by the Auction Room to find out availability and pricing and to place an order. Thank you for participating in our fall jewelry fundraiser.

## **Parent Volunteers Sat., Dec. 10**

Parents who will be working with students on a regular basis will need to take a VIRTUS class. This includes classroom aides, coaches, parking lots aides, etc.

You **MUST** pre-register for the class. There will be no registration on-site.

You **MUST** be on time for class; late comers will not be allowed in.

Those who attend **MUST** be present for the entire class.

There can be no exceptions.

### **Virtus Training – Protecting God’s Children for Adults**

**When:** Saturday, December 10, 10:00-1:30

**Where:** St. Andrew School, Mr. Petesch's Room (301)

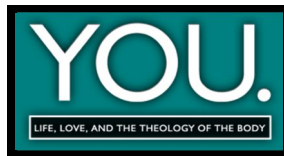
**Sign Up:** <https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus>

Choose First time registrant shown on the left side of screen

Sign up for the St Andrew School class offered

VIRTUS “GRADUATES”, PLEASE REMEMBER TO KEEP YOUR VIRTUS STATUS UPDATED EVERY MONTH ON-LINE

## **SAVE THE DATE FOR:**



**When:** Saturday, **January 7<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm** (and the following 10 Saturdays)

**Where:** Paul & Maria Hurlbert’s: 221 McClellan Creek Road, Montana City

**Who’s invited:** High School Teens (parents highly encouraged to attend, too!)

**What’s needed:** Student Workbook: \$19.95 (required) - Parent’s Guide: \$9.95 (optional)

**What is YOU?:** *YOU: Life, Love, and the Theology of the Body* is a DVD series produced by Ascension Press that presents St. Pope John Paul II’s insights on the Theology of the Body for teenagers of this generation. The world is a difficult place for teens, and it has become increasingly hard for parents and educators to help teens discover the truth about their bodies, their sexuality, and their unique call to love. Parents are encouraged to participate in this program with their teens to promote discussion of these important topics at home. Visit [www.ascensionpress.com](http://www.ascensionpress.com) to learn more.

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**shop**

**amazon**

Did you know that when you shop at Amazon, you could also be raising money for our school? All you have to do is go to this link <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/81-0506955> and sign in as you normally would. Amazon donates 0.5 % of the sale to St. Andrew School. It is that

## The School Store Is Open For Business!

St. Andrew School is partnering with School Store (SchoolStore.com) to provide a great avenue for our families to shop online with over 300 major chains and help the school at the same time! This is how it works: St. Andrew School receives a percentage of the purchases our families and their friends make online with the companies on the School Store website.

It is that simple. But it gets even better!

We want our families to enjoy the benefits of their shopping too, so **St. Andrew School will apply 40% of a family's earned revenue from their purchases toward their tuition next year!**

Your child(ren) will be bringing home a large envelope today explaining how the program works and how your child(ren) can earn terrific prizes for themselves in the process. The prizes in the program are primarily geared to students in Kindergarten through 7<sup>th</sup> grade, however, families with students in any grade are encouraged to participate. If you have any questions please call Deirdre Teodosio at the school or email her at [auction@standrewschool.org](mailto:auction@standrewschool.org).

Since we are entering into a busy shopping season this is a perfect time to maximize your shopping dollars, benefit the school, and reduce your tuition payment for next year!

We hope you enjoy participating in this ongoing program.

***Thank you for all you do for St. Andrew School!***



## *Emerald Isle Auction 2017*



Prizes for selling the most raffle tickets - this is a family event

First prize is one annual fee (\$250) waived.

Second prize is one half of an annual fee (\$125) waived.

Third prize is a \$50 gift certificate.

Fourth prize is a \$25 gift certificate.

Fifth prize is a \$10 gift certificate.

Auction posters are available for families to pick up and distribute to businesses. This is great advertising for the school. Please help us get the word out by taking a few and hanging them in some of the businesses you frequent.

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If there are parents willing to take several posters to distribute to many businesses, it would be much appreciated. This would count toward your PIP points.

**Our school needs YOU to make the auction a success.**

Below is a list of committees, an overview of the duties and a timeframe. Please look these over carefully as each family has a minimum of four PIP hours committed to the auction. This is your opportunity to ask questions and get your name down for your preferred duties. It is requested that all families have their time commitment confirmed with the committee chair by the 31<sup>st</sup> of January for the help they would like to give.

| Committee                 | Description  | TimeFrame   |
|---------------------------|--|---|
| Reservations/Registration | Check in attendees and give them their materials for the evening   | 4:00 - 9:00 the night of the auction  |
| Food                      | Gather food items for auction night, deliver and pick up items from caterer. Work with the caterer and the bar on auction night. Organize high school students into servers, those bussing dishes, and those doing coat check. Getting appetizers and desserts trayed up and taken upstairs by servers.  | 4:00 - 9:00 the night of the auction  |
| Procurement               | Procure donations from businesses/individuals by contacting those already on the list and making new contacts. Individuals are also needed to pick up items that have been procured and need to be brought to the school. <b>PROCUREMENT CARDS ARE READY IN THE OFFICE NOW</b>                           | Nov. - Jan. 31st This can be a little or a lot of work depending on how many people pitch in. |
| Publicity                 | Publish ads in local newspapers, work with students to do radio spots, assist with printing of posters for parents to distribute as well as save the date cards.   | Oct. - Auction  |
| Mailing/Thank you         | Mail out thank you cards along with a tax receipt for donations.   | Oct. - Auction  |
| Decorating                | Arrange place settings for tables, baskets for rolls, salad bowls and center pieces. Setup tables and chairs, iron table cloths. Decorate the gym and foyer.   | Mon. prior to the auction - auction morning   |
| Set-Up                    | Need several strong individuals that are able to lift chairs and tables into the gym.  | Friday before auction & Sunday after auction  |
| Clean-up/Put away items   | Clean up the school and grounds on the weekend prior to the auction. Clean up the evening of the auction and the following day.  | Weekend before auction, auction night, Sunday after the auction                               |
| Inventory/Display         | Inventory and data entry related to items procured. Tagging items for the auction. Creating baskets of items for display. Need several individuals to work the auction room once items start coming in. These people will also help manage dinner ticket sales that come in during auction office hours. | Nov. - Auction Looking for people to work shifts in the auction office. Training is provided. |
| Check-out                 | Input auction items and accept payments for items.   | 4:00 - close auction night  |
| Seating                   | Organize attendees as tables based on tables purchased or requests for who they would like to sit by   | Feb. - Auction  |
| Classroom Projects        | Get teachers and classroom parents motivated in working on classroom projects. Provide ideas if needed. These need to be completed fairly early so that they may be advertised on the  | Nov. - Feb.   |

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|  | auction website sooner.   |                            |
| Auction Night Support                      | Multiple positions available. <u>Silent auction closers</u> - watch silent auctions as they close, mark the highest bidders on the sheet and get this information to the check out committee. <u>Live auction recorders</u> - sit by the auctioneer to write down item numbers, what the item sold for and the winning bidder number. <u>Runners</u> - take items from the silent auctions and bring them to the inventory room. They also transport items from the stage, to the auctioneer, then on to the inventory room. <u>Spotters</u> - need to be enthusiastic as they assist the auctioneer in seeing bidders throughout the room. <u>Raffle ticket sellers</u> - work 1 1/2 hour shifts selling raffle tickets at the entrance to the auction. There must be at least two people per shift. <u>Vatican Roulette Ticket Sellers</u> - Two people sell 100 tickets each in the first half hour to 45 minutes of the auction for a prize to be awarded later. <u>Champagne pourers</u> - two people pour and hand out champagne to attendees after they have checked their coats and received their bid numbers. <u>Audio/visual</u> - manages the presentations, photography and speakers. <u>Lighting</u> - Luminarias and large lights for the parking lot. | 4:00 - Close auction night |
| Security                                   | Overseeing the safety of individuals and items the day and evening of the auction.  |                            |
| Parking                                    | Directing traffic and arranging parking so that individuals are not blocked in.   | 4:00 - 7:00 auction night  |
| Catalog-Sponsorship                        | Get the data organized for the printer and work with them to get the catalog ready for the auction  |                            |
| Corporate Sponsors                         | Pick 20 new businesses to add as new contacts for the year. Contact businesses after sponsor letters have been sent out. Once a sponsorship has been picked up, work with the business to get their dinner tickets.   | Nov. - Jan. 31st           |
| Auction Website                            | Upload pictures and create a description for each item  | Nov. - Auction             |
| Pictures of Items for Website              | Photograph items as they come in then get the pictures to the individual uploading to the auction website.  | Nov. - Auction             |
| Design Work for Signs and Auction Printing | Format corporate sponsor logos to display in the gym & in the catalog based on sponsorship amounts. Printing of catalog, dinner tickets, posters, raffle tickets, save the dates and various other printing needs.  | Oct. - Feb.                |

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