

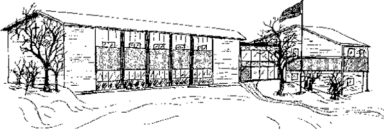
St. Andrew School Newsletter

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Looking Ahead:

Nov 15	Candy Sale Forms Due
Nov 16	Picture retakes
Nov 16	Hot dog Sale at Lunch
Nov 20	THIS IS A DATE CHANGE: K-1 Bowl of Thanksgiving
Nov 21	Adoption Day at the Capitol
Nov 22-24	Thanksgiving Break – NO SCHOOL
Nov 28	iGIVECATHOLIC day for giving
Nov 30	Feast of St. Andrew, Mass 10:00
Dec. 4	Advent Wreath Lighting First day 8:00 am in gym
Dec 7	Early release, 11:35, teachers' meeting
Dec 8	Late start, 8:15, Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Dec 20	Christmas Programs
Dec 21-Jan 2	Christmas Break
Jan 3	Classes resume

Weekly Events

Cathedral Children's Choir-Tuesdays 3:15

School Store: Wednesdays 11:30-12:00

Homework Club M-TH 3:00-4:15

NO HOMEWORK CLUB NOV 20 and 21

LOST AND FOUND: Items will be on a table in the foyer on Friday. Please pick up your child's clothes, boots, etc.

Volunteers: Please remember to keep up with your VIRTUS emails

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SLEDS

Parents, please remind your children that they should not use another student's sled without permission and should be careful when walking around the other sleds down in the "pit". Last week there were a few instances when elementary students went out to collect their sled at the end of the day and found that it had been broken. This is not fair to the students who now have no sled for their recess (or home) use.

Also, be aware that if your child leaves a sled at school overnight or over the weekend, neighborhood children do tend to borrow the sleds and they may get broken. Sleds may not be brought into the school. Thank you for your cooperation to make sure that everyone has fun this winter.

New Griffin Sign

Thank you Gerald LaChere and Alliance Neon for fixing our scoreboard and for adding the beautiful Griffin Sign

Nov 15 (TOMORROW):

Candy Sale Forms Due SELL! SELL! SELL! There is not much time left to take orders for Martinsons Ranch Chocolates. Martinsons produces high quality chocolate here in Montana. Boxes of these mouth-watering delicacies are moderately priced and make wonderful Christmas gifts! **Order Prizes:** 1st place - \$100 cash 2nd place - \$50 cash 3rd place - \$25 cash
Also: One class each in K-3, 4-7, and 8-12 with the highest participation rate (most number of students who sold candy) can choose between a free dress day OR a movie and popcorn in class as their prize

Each student who sells at least 1 box of candy will receive a chocolate gold coin.

PLUS, Martinson's will give each student who sells at least \$115 a Cream of the Caramel bar.

The top seller will receive a 1/2# box of gourmet chocolate!!

If our school goal of \$10,000 is achieved there will be a free dress day for the whole school. Date: TBA

Thank you for helping to make this year's candy sale the best yet!

Nov 16: Picture Re-takes 8:30-9:30



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Nov 16: Student Council Hot dog Lunchtime Fundraiser

To support student council functions

Cost: \$2 for a hot dog and chips

\$1 for additional hot dog

\$0.50 for additional chips

Nov 28: VIRTUS

There will be a VIRTUS class facilitated by Terri Woodring at the Cathedral office on 11/28 at 6pm. If you want to attend the class, please go on line to register at virtusonline.org

Nov 28: St. Andrew has joined iGIVECATHOLIC!

We depend on our parents to get the word out about a new way to donate to ST. Andrew.

We have a day for giving thanks.. On Tuesday, November 28, 2017, individuals and organizations around the world will come together for one common purpose: to celebrate generosity and to give.

How does it work?

#iGiveCatholic is an online platform with searchable profiles of participating not-for-profit organizations affiliated with participating arch/dioceses. All donations will be processed through the website iGiveCatholic.org. Anyone can donate to his or her favorite ministry on Tuesday, November 28th from midnight until 11:59 pm.

When will this happen?

#iGiveCatholic giving day runs from midnight until 11:59 pm on Tuesday, November 28, 2017. All donations must be made at iGiveCatholic.org during that 24-hour period. The minimum donation is \$25 and there is no maximum.

How does this help our school?

Through this online platform donors from around the country have an opportunity to make a donation to our school. Many, many people choose to give on Giving Tuesday. Please let your friends and relatives know that our school is participating in this event!

We know that, for Catholics, generosity and giving have a profound meaning. As children of God, giving is the ultimate expression of mercy as we feed the hungry, clothe the naked, give shelter to the homeless and preserve **our Catholic heritage for future generations by supporting**

Send a link to family and friends! <https://igivecatholic.org/>

schools. Compelled to action by our shared faith, Catholics are energized to give back knowing that little is much when God is in it.

Nov 30: the High School girls game in Whitehall has been changed to 5:00pm

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Dec 3: St. Andrew Choir at Festival of Trees

St. Andrew School Choir, grades 6-12 will sing at the Festival of trees on Sunday, Dec 3 at 3:00pm, at the Civic Center auditorium. Mrs. Kihana VanDiest will direct the choir.

Students must attend this event unless they have been excused previously by Mrs. VanDiest; a note from the parents must be sent to the school office by Nov 20th.

Mrs. Smillie, Mr. Nelson, Mrs. Buffington, Mr. Greaney and Mrs. Lozano will chaperone.

Students must be at the staging area by 2:25. Entrance is through the Neill Ave doors.

Attire: Black slacks and white shirt, red tie/red cross-tie, dress shoes if possible.

Free parking is available across from the front doors of the Civic Center in several places: on Park Ave., both sides of the street, BCBS parking lots, and the parking garage near the movie theater.

Dec 7: EARLY RELEASE

Our early release day is Thursday, December 7th for teachers meetings.

All students will be dismissed at 11:35am.

Please make sure arrangements have been made for your children

SAT and ACT

All seniors should have either taken 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.

High School Service Club

The Service Club will meet once a month at lunch to organize various service activities. (Meeting dates will be announced). Students will organize and raise money for various service projects such as Box of Joy and Food Share Collection. They will also contact organizations in town to offer their assistance when needed. ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS are invited and encouraged to be a part of this club!

Bible Study

Grades 6-8 Thursdays 3:15-4:15 at Fireside Coffee.

Led by Dawn Brannman, Youth Minister at St. Mary Catholic Community

Teens have questions and God's Word has answers !!!

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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.

Sports

We are still looking for a coach for a Junior High girls basketball team. Please call Sarah Birnel if you have a talent in this area. (406-202-0954)



Emerald Isle Auction 2018



St. Andrew needs ALL OF US to help make the auction a success

Please come pick up procurement cards now!

This is a huge job and is crucial to the auction...HOWEVER, "many hands make small work". If each family can take 5 cards, this would be done quickly. Come soon to get your choice of cards.

Raffle tickets were sent home last week. Each family is **REQUIRED** to sell a minimum of two **(2)** books. Please treat them as cash as they are worth \$100/book. Tickets lost/stolen are the financial responsibility of the family to whom they are checked out. Please turn tickets and money back in as you sell each book. There will be prizes (to be listed later) for families that sell the most raffle tickets. There are more books available for checkout to compete for the prizes.. Closer to the auction there will be opportunities to sell tickets at local businesses, basketball games and churches. Please note that time selling raffle tickets does not count towards your PIP points.

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A few Chair- and Co-chairpersons are still needed. Can you fill one of these empty spots?

Committee	Position	Name	Phone	Email
Reservations/Registration	Chair			
	Co-Chair	Chris Szpilka	422-4234	cmszpilka@ou.edu
	Co-Chair	Kristen Palmer	274-6917	vinegifts@outlook.com
Mailing/Thank you	Chair	Kellie Wendt	422-5615	tkw615@yahoo.com
	Co-Chair			
Set-Up	Chair			
	Co-Chair	Tom Kaiserski	465-8312	tomkaiserski@yahoo.com
	Co-Chair	Trent Scheuer	459-4095	tscheuer@mt.net
Clean-up/Put away items	Chair	Amy Sark	594-1119/ 465-8008	mamamia4@mt.net
	Co-Chair			
Auction Night Support	Chair	Bill Gowen	431-9196	wcgowen@helenaabstract.com
	Co-Chair			
	Co-Chair			
Parking	Chair			
Seating	Chair			
Corporate Sponsors	Chair			
Time Keeper	Chair			

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