



All Things in Christ

WEDNESDAY PACKET



Calendar – November 2, 2011

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Friday, November 4	Speech and Hearing Screening, PS – K, 9:00 a.m.
Saturday, November 5	Bishop Kelley Placement Test, incoming 8 th graders, at Bishop Kelley
Monday, November 7	Prevent Blindness, PS – 8 th , Activity Center
Tuesday, November 8	Prevent Blindness, PS – 8 th , Activity Center Student Council Speeches/Elections, 1:30 p.m., Dorney Hall (5 th – 8 th grades)
Wednesday, Nov 9	8 th grade Pizza Lunch
Thursday, November 10	Veterans' Day Assembly, 9:00 a.m.
Friday, November 11	8:30 a.m. Mass, 3M
Sunday, November 13	Home & School Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 15	Picture Retakes – Wear Uniform
Wednesday, Nov 16	Progress reports sent home
Thursday, November 17	Dr. Mary Brandt
Friday, November 18	8:30 a.m. Mass, 8 th grade

Our mission is to promote personal responsibility and academic excellence within a Catholic Community.

School News:

- Prevent Blindness will be on campus Monday, November 7th and Tuesday, November 8th to screen students in

PS – 8th grade. If you **DO NOT** want your child screened, please fill out the attached Exclusion Form and return to the school office by Monday, November 7th.



- Since the cooler weather is here, just a reminder about some of the uniform codes for this school year:

Other than heavy winter coat, rain jacket or school regulation sweatshirt/hoodie, no other hoodie, sweat jacket or sweatshirt should be worn to school as outerwear. Boots should only be worn on rainy or snowy days.

Light blue athletic sweatshirt/hoodies are only permitted on free dress or spirit dress days.

Leggings, as long as they follow school regulation sock colors (white, navy or black) may be worn under the uniform/skirt. Leggings should be long enough to be tucked in to socks.

Also, any kind of non-distracting athletic shoe may be worn. (No loud colors, flashing lights. No fluorescent colors, including shoe laces).

- If you had your picture taken at the Fall Festival 7th grade photo booth this weekend, it is available for pick up in the school.
- Picture retakes have been scheduled for Tuesday, November 15th. If your child will be having their picture taken again, please return the original picture packet on the day of retakes.
- The school is in need of copy paper. If you can donate a ream or two, please send it to the school office.
- A BIG THANK YOU to the Evans family for donating a microwave to be used by students in the cafeteria!

- Congratulations to 6 Blum who brought in 1600 BoxTops for a total of \$166.00. 6 Roberson was the winner of a party for having the fewest number of pumpkins on their door. We submitted BoxTops and Bonus BoxTops totaling \$1,140.90. Great job everyone.
 Thank you to the following people for a great job of collecting BoxTops -
 Luke Balezentis – 360
 Micaela Martin – 356
 Dalton Staurovsky – 350
 Lexa Bortle - 290
 Lauren Lewallen – 274
 Kristen Lewallen – 274
 Get ready for our annual Bedlam context. It will be starting soon.
- **First Reconcillation Rehearsal** is Wednesday, November 9th at 6:30 p.m. in the Church. Please have at least one parent attend with your Reconcillation student. Please contact Arlene Hausher 918-622-4488 or ahausher@spxtulsa.org if you have any questions.

Home and School:

- The Fall Festival was a huge success! Everyone had a great time and the weather couldn't have been better. What a perfect day to get together as a church and school community. So much work went into the festival and Home & School has many people to thank:
Stephanie Regan and her Fall Festival committee, **John and Susan Molinar & Michael and Cheri Hatfield** for getting the concession stand stocked and running smoothly, **Bishop Kelley Freshmen and former St. Pius X students** who volunteered to come run the spook house, and the many volunteers who helped clean up the

activity center and put all the games back into the shed.

- Congratulations to: The **Rahilly family** for their prize winning Trunk-or-Treat entry...an AUV jail, **Mrs. Donatucci**, affectionately known as "Smurfette" for winning the teacher costume contest and **Mrs. Oakley** who one a prize for her creative costume. **Mrs. Roberson's** and **Mrs. Presley's** classes will receive a FREE DRESS for their winning entries in the door decorating contest. The dates of the free dress will be announced at a later date.
- There will be a Chili Cook-Off planning meeting this Sunday at Panera Bread (across from Bishop Kelley) from 6-7pm. If you would like to help plan this event, please come. If you cannot attend but wish to help, please contact Debbie Scott at descott711@cox.net.
- The next Home & School meeting will be Sunday, November 13th, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.
- A note from Stephanie Regan – I wanted to take a moment to thank the home room moms, the volunteers, the liaisons, the teachers, Lisa Beardshear, Father Kastl, and our awesome Fall Festival Committee for making Fall Festival a very successful one!
 If you see a member of this year's Fall Festival Committee, please take a moment to thank them for their hard work and give them your feedback on having the event on Saturday evening versus Sunday afternoon. A huge thank you to Debbie Scott for providing support including running around town picking up last minute items for us and to Sandy Liechti and Christine Nedvidek for staying with me late on Friday

to set up the Haunted House. (I was able to sleep much better Friday night knowing most of the HH was complete.) Thank you to Desiree and Todd Willmann for coming in Saturday to work with the kids to finish the HH, and to the committee members who came in early to help set up everything else! Thank you to homeroom moms, volunteers, and liaisons for organizing and running the games, decorating the teachers doors and in some cases, handing out candy at those doors for the teachers who were unable to attend. Thank you to the Trunk or Treaters who did an awesome job of decorating their cars and providing something new to Fall Festival this year.

It takes A LOT of people to pull off this event and I really appreciate each one of you!



Auction News:

- There are lots of ways to get involved in this year's auction. Please see the attached flier for details.
- Do you want to contribute to the auction but don't have time to shop? We'll be glad to do your shopping for you! In addition to merchandise, the auction accepts cash donations which will be used to purchase items to be sold separately or to complete packages. Just put your donation in an envelope marked "Auction, attention Janet Price", include your name and leave it in the school office. It's that simple! All



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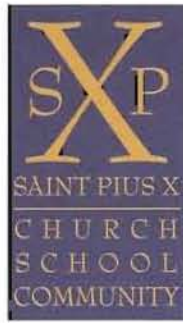
contributions make a HUGE difference.
Questions? Contact Janet at 918-492-5556.

- Peter & Mary Berryman of Accent Picture Framing and Gallery, 6008 S. Yale, have donated to our 2012 auction and are offering another way to support our school. If you bring a custom framing job to them anytime in November or December, they'll donate 15% of the sale back to SPX! All you have to do is tell them you're from St. Pius. Get some special gifts ready for Christmas or add new life to your walls at home and help St. Pius at the same time! Please let Janet know if you take advantage of this offer so that we may thank you for your support. Jprice@spxtulsa.org or 918-492-5556.

- **Did you lose a loved one during the past year?** Join fellow parishioners after the 6:30 p.m. mass on Wednesday, November 9 in Dorney Hall for a special time of remembrance.
- **Fire up those ovens!** The annual parish bake sale will be held November 19/20.

Church News:

- The Liturgy of the Word is the primary topic this week in **RCIA**. Participants will discuss it and the liturgical year on Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. in Dorney Hall.
- **It is not too late to send in your commitment card!** If you will not be at Mass this weekend, please mail or bring your stewardship card to the Church office or Mass next weekend. How are you being a good steward of your time, talent and treasure?
- **Christmas cards** go on sale next weekend to support Madonna House!
- **Thank you** to all who helped St. Pius X keep the Vigil at the Garden of Hope as part of the 40 days for Life campaign.
- **Celebrate the memory of a deceased love one in November** – bring a picture to place on the altar rail, or submit their name on a piece of paper and place it in the church gathering space for special prayers.



APPALACHIAN CHRISTMAS PROJECT

Dear Parents,

For over 20 years, St. Pius X School has sponsored the Christmas Store in Appalachia. This worthy cause helps the poor mountain people in Eastern Kentucky celebrate Christmas with happiness and dignity.

Sister Kathleen Weigand, OSB is the Director of the St. Vincent Mission in David, Kentucky. Sister Kathleen sponsors the Christmas Store, which serves the mountain people. Christmas Store invitations are sent to families who are selected according to their needs. In the invitations, Sister Kathleen encloses gift certificates that the parents can use at the store in exchange for gifts that they have chosen for their family. As the family leaves the store, they are given food certificates, which in turn can be redeemed at several local food markets where the families shop for their Christmas Dinner.

Sister Kathleen writes: "Plans are being made for our annual Christmas Store. This year we have noticed an increase in the needs of the families of the working poor. The gap seems to continue to widen between income and basic needs such as housing, gasoline, utility and medical costs. Your generous donations will help make the Christmas Store 2011 possible to provide gifts and Christmas dinner to many who would otherwise go without.

We wish you could be with us to see the faces of those who receive your gifts and to hear their heartfelt words of thanks along with feeling their hugs and sometimes seeing their tears.

You and your loved ones are in our prayers this Holy Season as we work together to share the love of God with the poor of Eastern Kentucky."

If you also believe that those who struggle with material poverty should receive help in a way that allows them to maintain dignity, then we invite you to participate with us in the Christmas Store. We have always had a huge response from the St. Pius X families and we hope this year will be no exception.

You can help by donating new clothes, toys, household items or money. Suggested gift items are listed on the back of this letter. A donation of \$30 will provide a food certificate from a local grocery store for a Christmas dinner for a family of four. Checks should be made payable to: St. Vincent Mission. Your donation will be tax deductible.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

Russell Nance
Chairman of the Mission Committee

PLEASE SEE BACK FOR LIST OF SUGGESTED GIFTS

ITEMS MUST BE NEW! PLEASE DO NOT WRAP!
(PLEASE BRING GIFTS TO MASS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18)

Suggested gifts (items most needed by our people):

BOYS &/OR GIRLS

Dresses
Shoes/boots
Shirts
Jeans
Jogging suits
Socks
Sweaters
Pajamas
Underwear
Coats
Games & toys
(**no** stuffed toys are needed)

WOMEN

Maternity clothes
Dresses
Skirts
Jeans
Pajamas or gowns
Robes/slippers
Socks/hose
Shoes/boots
Underwear
Slacks
Coats
Jogging suits
Sweaters
Purses
Bras

MEN

Pants
Robes/slippers
Shirts
Jeans
Work clothes
Wallets
Socks
Long-johns
Underwear
Shoes/boots
Coats
Jogging suits
Pajamas
Sweaters

INFANTS

Toys
Bedding
Clothing

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS:

Kitchen towels/clothes
Bath towels/clothes
BLANKETS
SHEET SETS
PILLOWS
Throw rugs

Kitchen utensils
Glasses
Small appliances
Pots and pans
Dishes
Silverware

Mops/brooms
Buckets
TOOLS
Smoke detectors
Jumper cables

Personal care items, cleaning and laundry products, school supplies,
diapers (all sizes) and wipes are greatly appreciated.



Pearl helps stock clothing.



Household items and clothing displayed for "shoppers".



Toys and games are stocked.



Sr. Kathleen and Joyce pray with groups as they arrive.



Bonnie picks out toys for her sons.



Choosing toys for the baby.



Marie distributes hats, gloves, mittens and scarves to all.



Santa's helpers. (Volunteers and employees.)



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PLEASE DO NOT SCREEN MY CHILD**

Dear Parent/Guardian

(If you DO NOT want your child screened, please return this form to school by _____).

It is required that the parent or guardian of each student enrolled in kindergarten, at a public school in this state, shall provide certification to school personnel that the student passed a vision screening within the previous twelve (12) months or during the school year. Students enrolled in first or third grade at a public school, in this state, shall provide, within thirty (30) days of the beginning of the school year, certification to school personnel that the student passed a vision screening within the previous twelve (12) months.

Prevent Blindness Oklahoma will provide a vision screening on (date) _____ at _____ (school) that will satisfy this requirement.

Please exclude my child from the upcoming vision screening.

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

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Plans for the 2012 St. Pius X School Auction are off to a Spectacular Start. We need your help to make it a Sensational, Stupefying, Scintillating Success. Here are some ways you can get involved to make this Fun Fundraiser a Full-Fledged Formidable Feat benefitting our students. Thanks for your support!



Donate Items to be Auctioned!

We're collecting all kinds of exciting items such as new merchandise, gift cards, gift baskets, services, autographed items, hand-made keepsakes, electronics, airline miles, time-share accommodations, cultural and sporting event tickets and even cash to buy items for guests to bid on or to complete packages! Donate something you would like to own or something that would make a nice gift for someone you know. *Please fill out an auction donation form and turn it in with your donated items to the school or parish office. Forms are available in both places.* Questions? Contact Mary Beth Smith at 918-640-0204.

Be a Sponsor or Ask Your Workplace to Sponsor the Auction!

For more information, *please call Deedra Determan at 918-520-8012.* A sponsorship flier, contract and request letter will be sent, and we'll handle all the follow up.

Host a Party!

We are looking for parishioners and school parents to host parties to be featured and "sold" in our auction. Can't think of a party theme? We have lots of ideas for you. If you are interested in hosting a party for adults, families or students, please call Jessica Cooley at 918-639-2590, or Melanie Elias at 918-638-8363. A completed party donation form is needed for party details. *Forms are available in the school or parish office, or by clicking on "Forms" under the Parents Corner tab at www.spxtulsa.org.*

Volunteer to Help on a Committee or the Night of the Event!

It takes a lot of volunteers working during the next few months of planning through the night of the event to make our auction successful. It's a great way to get involved, make new friends and support the school. *Contact Desiree Willmann at 918-629-6189 to get started.*

Plan to Attend and Reserve Your Seats in the Activity Center!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 11, 2012. Invitations and reply cards will be mailed in January. Make your reservations early as seating is limited!



*Ladies and Gentlemen, children of all ages
will succeed with your auction support on February 11th.*

Chairman: Janet Price, 918-492-5556, jprice@spxtulsa.org

Auction proceeds benefit students by enhancing their learning environment through the annual budget and keeping tuition affordable through a contribution to the St. Pius X Endowment Fund.

November to Remember

at

K. Renee's Uniform Closet

Color Your Closet

with **Hunter, Maroon,**
& Gold

for the entire month of November!

*CYC discount valid month of sale, merchandise in stock only,
and cannot be combined with other discounts.*



Need socks? Buy 3 pairs at regular price, get one pair FREE!



November 1-19, participate in
OU vs. OSU Penny wars!

Proceeds will provide three deserving families a Thanksgiving Meal from Reasor's Grocery Store.

November 1-31, participate in
a Food Drive and receive discounts!

All food donated to Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma.



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Winter Hours:

Mon—Thurs 10:00-6:00 Fri—Sat 10:00-5:00

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