



SCA Scoop

An insider's guide for new families

Second Quarter 2017

Calendar Highlights

Oct. 30-31 Parent-Teacher Conferences – Conferences are scheduled for parents/guardians after the end of the first quarter. Parents/guardians schedule to meet with their children's homeroom teachers for a conference via a link emailed to parents.

Parents/guardians wishing additional time with a teacher may request a personal conference at any time during the school year.

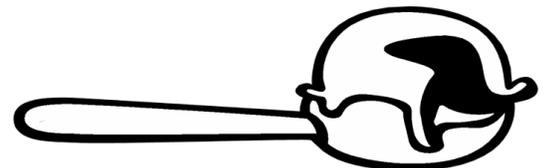
Nov. 3 Parade of Saints @ 1:45 in the Church - The Parade of Saints is done by the third grade class each year. It takes place in the church and each student dresses as a saint and gives a short overview of their saint's life and faith. The parade lasts an hour and is done in front of the entire student body. All are welcome to join and traditionally the event is attended by third grades parents and family members. Photography is not allowed during the parade and presentations however there will be an opportunity to take a group photo afterwards along with individual photos later. Homeroom parents are attempting to create a "Parade of Saint's closet" to be passed down each year to assist in costuming our young saints. Please donate any unwanted costumes to the third grade room parents.

Nov. 5 Open House at High Schools - High School Open House is for 6th, 7th and 8th graders. It gives them a chance to visit private and Catholic high schools in our area. It will help in the process of choosing which high school they would like to attend in the future.

Nov. 6 First Reconciliation @ 6:30 p.m. in the church - First Reconciliation is celebrated in the church. Families of second graders receiving the sacrament come to witness and support. After a short prayer service, the second grade students will receive the sacrament and afterwards all other guests are welcome and encouraged to do the same.

Nov. 10 Grandparents' Day in the school – St. Clare of Assisi School opens its doors to all grandparents to get a glimpse of a school day for their grandchildren. Make sure to let grandparents or special guests (if grandparents are not available) about this fun morning. Refreshments will be provided for the grandparents. Further information will be sent home as the date nears.

Nov. 18 Adult Trivia Night @ 6:00 in the Dollard Hall – Adult Trivia Night is a fun evening in support of the SCA School. This year's theme is Music. There are raffles, door prizes, games, and prizes for best costume. Attendees often decorate their tables based on the theme of the evening. Beer, soda, and water are provided so feel free to bring your snacks and additional drinks. It is easy to get a table together of 8 or to sign up and be placed at a table. Please support one of our few fundraisers and come out for a night of fun!



Nov 26 Advent Family Gathering @ 6PM in the cafeteria-This has become a tradition in our parish. All are invited to come and share a meal, pray and prepare for the upcoming Advent season. There will be family activities to center our hearts and our spirits on the beauty and promise of the season. Advent Calendars and family activities are handed out to all who attend at the end of the evening.

Dec. 7 Advent Play @ 7:00 in Dollard Hall - The Advent Play is put on every year by the fourth grade and directed by Mrs. McCormick. The choir is made up of the second and third grade students. One show is given for the students during the day and another show is done in the evening for families. All second through fourth grade students are expected to attend the evening show. Second and third graders are asked to wear Sunday best attire while fourth graders are provided costumes by the school. The play is held in the gym so be sure to get there early to get a good seat. Many of the evening attendees come dressed up so be sure to bring your camera!

Dec. 8 Immaculate Conception Day of Prayer and Mass at 10:00 am in the Church - Affectionately called "Mary Day," the school community of St. Clare has been celebrating the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary by participating in a day of prayer and reflection since 2005. On this special day dedicated to our Blessed Mother, our school family will attend Mass at 10:00, walk together in prayer, service, song, and religious instruction. Our school family is grateful to the many parent volunteers who spend countless hours in planning and preparing the events of the day. Our priests, faculty and St. Clare parents make sure "Mary Day" is always a huge success!

Dec. 20 Geography Bee @ 1:30 pm in the Cafeteria- Students in grades 5-8 are selected to participate in the school Geography Bee. The overall winner will advance to the next round of the local competition.

Other important information....

- **Inclement weather-** In the event of inclement weather, information will come via text messages through RenWeb going to the cell phone numbers parents have provided at the beginning of the school year. Closings will also appear on local TV news channels.
- **Giving Tree-** Make your Christmas shopping easier by participating in this *optional* gift-giving program for the faculty and staff of St. Clare. The PTO sponsors the Giving Tree in which families are able to make a monetary donation of any amount to show their appreciation. All the money collected is distributed equally among the faculty and staff. The cash gifts are presented at the staff Christmas party with a card that enumerates each family who participated (no donation amounts are listed – just the family name). Information regarding this will be sent home in the Friday Folder in December.

