

March 26, 2020

Dear St. Clare of Montefalco Families,

Greetings to you and how goes it? This pandemic has certainly stretched our relationships with each other in a bigger way. We have no current families with a member in their household with confirmed COVID-19. We are grateful for this.

The first week of Distance Learning came off successful. It may have been exhausting for many. We so understand that. We are all adjusting to this new concept of delivering instruction to our children. Families thank you so much for your support, your engagement, and your flexibility during this time. I hope you all are able to view the school's Facebook page. Many of the photos shared of our young people engaging in learning are being enjoyed and posted daily. When you post any of your own photos please tag with @aodschools. Below is a reminder of how our Distance Learning works.

Distance Learning March 30 through April 8th

1. 8:00 Teachers will send Daily Lessons to parents who will respond "Received"
2. 9:00 Daily PRAYER/School Mission
3. 9:05 to 11:30 teachers will be available to communicate with students.
4. 11:30 to 12:30 Break
5. 12:30 to 2:00 teachers will be available to communicate with students.

Spirit Week

Keeping things upbeat St. Clare of Montefalco will have a Spirit Week starting Monday. Thank you Ms. Cooley for checking with teachers for suggestions and putting the week together.

Monday – School Uniform Day: take a photo working in your uniform

Tuesday - COVID-19 Superhero Day: make a poster thanking our local hospital workers, first responders, grocery store workers, and other essential workers. Take a photo with your poster and say a prayer for those workers.

Wednesday - St. Clare Spirit Day: wear your favorite St. Clare spirit wear

Thursday – Pet Day: take a photo with your pet or stuffed animal

Friday - Backwards Day: wear your clothes inside out and/or backwards while you work today

Wednesday Children's Mass Day at 9:00

Father Andrew will continue to celebrate a Children's Mass every Wednesday at 9:00. So many of us and many folks from outside our community enjoyed this service this past week. Issues with connecting to the live feed troubled some at first. The best way to get into the mass is to go to the school website stclareschool.net. Click on Live Mass by Father Andrew and the link will be there.

Distance Education will continue at least thru Wednesday, April 8th. At this time Governor Whitmer has all schools closed until April 13th. We will take a short **Easter Break beginning Thursday, April 9th and returning in some way or form on**

Tuesday, April 14th. As you know events are ongoing and changing day to day. When changes happen, I will update you in an eblast or via School Messenger.

Tuition was addressed by the Archdiocese again today. The Archdiocese has made arrangements with FACTS for **different payment options you may choose to make directly with FACTS if you need to make payment adjustments for any reason.** Payments may be extended thru August for this school year with FACTS. If you have a different agreement with our school please contact Ann Conlan around making adjustments to your payment due dates We will work with you.

AOD Award letters for next school year will be delayed as the Archdiocese adjusts itself in all arenas like all of us are doing. Know that they will be given out at some point. Finally I must share this constant directive from the Archdiocese again. **If anyone in your family has a confirmed case of Coronavirus 19 you must send me that information immediately. My email address is acrowley@stclarem.org.**

Peace and safe health wished to you,

**Ann K. Crowley
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Calendar Updates: Tentative

1. Tuesday, March 31: End of 3rd Quarter
2. Monday, April 6: Distance Learning continues
3. Week of April 6: Report cards go home on Powerschool
4. Thursday/Friday/Monday, April 9/April 10/April 13 School closed for Easter Break
5. AR 3rd and 4th Quarter Points will be calculated together & scored 4th quarter

Links for you to review.

March 29th School Bulletin Newsletter in the St. Clare of Montefalco Bulletin (info on food access provided by St. Vincent DePaul too)

<https://discovermass.com/church/st-clare-of-montefalco-grosse-pointe-park-mi/>

Food Resources

<https://www.detroitk12.org/site/default.aspx?PageType=3&DomainID=4&ModuleInstanceID=7278&ViewID=6446EE88-D30C-497E-9316-3F8874B3E108&RenderLoc=0&FlexDataID=32335&PageID=1>