

# St. Stanislaus Catholic School Newsletter



## Principal Note

Dear Parents,

During the 19-20 school year, we began to launch a strategic plan initiative. Unfortunately, this process was very derailed by the COVID-19 pandemic. At this time, we would like to restart this process and start to focus on the long term future of St. Stanislaus School. As a result, we will be collecting data through a number of different avenues including surveys, questionnaires and other input sessions.

The first of these is a google form with just 2 questions and should only take a few minutes.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSePlxow8tVFX34bsoHjy2HJxMwkrBNNRCijDTbrRGbQLS4vGQ/viewform?usp=pp\\_url](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSePlxow8tVFX34bsoHjy2HJxMwkrBNNRCijDTbrRGbQLS4vGQ/viewform?usp=pp_url)

Job 17:9... *The righteous keep moving forward. This process will keep us moving forward and strengthen the future of St. Stanislaus School.*

Blessings of Gratitude, Shannon Murphy

Living the Faith of a Catholic Family

### Family Meal

*Eating together with the family daily has a great number of benefits spiritually, psychologically, and relationally. In fact, it is not beyond reason to say that the family meal is a key event of the day. Looking at it from a Catholic perspective, if the family is the domestic church, then the dining table is the domestic altar. Just like at our parish church, we gather around this domestic altar as a family, we bond together in the presence of God, and partake of His gifts. The dining table is a place of spiritual, relational, and even psychological value. Most of us have a good idea of what a family meal should look like, but there are many layers of meaning in the actions of a meal, and they deserve to be known well. The meal is a fruit of our labor, and it takes time and effort to prepare before the family sits down to eat. Even the children can take part by setting the table. Once everything is ready, the family gathers around the table to begin eating, but before everyone digs in, we should first acknowledge our God who provided us with all our blessings, including the food which we are about to receive. As stated before, God is a part of our family, so we should include Him in the family meal. After we have given thanks through prayer, the time has come not only for us to eat, but to bond as a family.*

Living the Faith: Ideas for Catholic Families By: Rev. Mr. Dario Rinaldi October 15, 2020

### 100 Club

100 Club Tickets are now available! If you would like a ticket, or two, please call Amy Skrycki at 269-793-3571 or you can let Lori know. You can also email us at [jskrycki@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jskrycki@sbcglobal.net) or [fifelski@st-stans.net](mailto:fifelski@st-stans.net). The drawing will be held on Saturday, November 20th following the 4:30 PM Mass here at St. Stan's.

100 tickets will be sold at \$20 each. 19 tickets are drawn for a prize of \$25 each. All tickets are then placed back in the drawing for 1 lucky winner of \$500. Please support our Home & School Association by purchasing one of these tickets.

### Picture Day



Lifetouch will be here on Friday, to take school photos. All students will be photographed. Students may wear appropriate clothes of their choice on this day. No donation to our mission is needed. Preschool Parents: If your child does not attend PS on Fridays, we ask that you bring them in at 9 AM on this day to be photographed. Please see the attachment for ordering instructions.

### Rummage Sale

Mark your calendar for this year's rummage sale. Drop off of items will be Wednesday, November 17th from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM and Thursday, November 18th from 8 AM to 4:30 PM. The Sale will be Friday, November 19th from 8 AM to 6 PM. Please see the attached flyer for more information.



### Community Leaf Raking & Cemetery Clean Up



Our annual Community Leaf Raking and Cemetery Clean Up day will be Friday, November 12th with a rain date of Monday, November 15th. Permission forms were sent today. Please fill these out ASAP and let us know if you can help!

We are looking for a few more lawns to rake. If you know anyone who would appreciate our help, please let us know!

We are also looking for donations for the 5th—8th Community Leaf Raking event. A Sign Up Genius was sent out today. Please help us where you can!

### Donations Needed

St. Stanislaus School is in need of the following items.

- Spoons & forks for the lunchroom—we have several students who forget these on a daily basis.
- Bottled water—our supply for students who forget their water bottles has run out.
- Full size hot glue sticks—Length 10 inches Diameter 0.44 inches. (These are on our Amazon Wish List for \$4.79 for 50 sticks).

Thank you in advance for your donations!

### Parent Teacher Conference

Our conferences are scheduled for Wednesday, November 10th. Be sure to fill out the Sign Up Genius form to schedule a time to meet with your children's teachers.

### TRIP News

Our **quarterly payout** was processed this week. Tuition accounts have been credited, and statements sent home with your student, or with your next order.

There will be **no order the Monday before Thanksgiving**, due to the short school week. Stock up now for your Black Friday shopping.

**New brand:** Vudu is a movie and TV show streaming service. eGift cards are available from \$15-100 with a 4% rebate.

Limited time **\$5 and \$10 cards** are available now for the holiday season. Go to [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com), click on "Shop" and then click on the "\$10 and Under Gift Cards" filter to see what is available. No on-line account needed to look at the list of 74 different cards.

**TRIP TIP:** You can earn a 4% rebate when you use a ShopWithScrip Travel Number when booking your next vacation with Cruise and Travel Experts in Grand Rapids. You need an on-line account to request the travel number, which must be presented at the time of booking. You pay the travel agent directly, and after you complete your trip, your earnings will be credited.

As always, if you have any questions, or would like to enroll in our TRIP program, contact Anita Lincoln at [kevandta@aol.com](mailto:kevandta@aol.com) or (616) 260-8588, or Allison Vogt (616) 299-7769. We are here to help!

Your TRIP coordinators, Anita and Allison

### Chicken & Wild Game Dinner

St. Mary's Visitation Parish in New Salem will be having a Chicken & Wild Game Dinner this Sunday, November 7, 2021, from 11 AM to 2 PM. Adults—\$12 and children 5 to 12—\$6. (4 and under are free). There will also be Bingo starting at 10:30 AM.

### St. Stan's Girl Scouts

Open to K-8 girls. Meeting at St. Stan's on Thursday from 3-4PM. Leader Amy Skrycki [Skrycki @st-stans.net](mailto:Skrycki@st-stans.net). Register at [gsmists.org](http://gsmists.org) — join girl tab. Troop #4167. Once everyone is registered and we have an assistant leader, we can start meeting.

