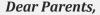
# St. Monica School

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We are trying a new format for our weekly reminders. We hope to make it easier to read and more informative with Upcoming Events and Important Announcements.

If your child does an extracurricular activity we will only announce when the activity is cancelled for a certain day. You may assume if we have not notified you (or the teacher has not notified you), that the activity will take place on its given day (for example, chorus, karate, band, homework club, bowling, etc.).

Please let us know how you like the new format!

The School Office

## Autumn Prayer

God of all seasons, we thank you for Autumn. We thank you for the touch of coolness in the air that gives us a new burst of energy, for the coloring of trees that shows the creativity of the Divine Artist, for the falling leaves that reveal the strength of the branches, for the hues of fields that bring peace to our souls, for the smiles on pumpkins that bring joy to children, for the fall harvest that brings us gratitude for the bounty of our land, for the change of seasons that reveal the circle of life. God of all seasons, as you transform the earth, transform us by your Spirit, Amen.

-Doug Leonhardt, S.J.



# **Upcoming Events**

# September 28

Fuddruckers Dine-Out Night 5-8PM. Please bring flyer.

### October 1

Christmas Fair Committee Meeting 6:30 PM in School

#### October 2

M3 Money Club Banking Day

#### October 3

Progress Reports Available for Grades 1-8

## October 4

Blessing of the Animals 8:00 AM in school parking lot

# Important Announcement

NO AFTERNOON BUSES on Friday 9/28

Please do not park in the handicap spots in the parking lot. It is illegal unless you have a placard.

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# Reminders

#### **CORI Forms**

All CORI Forms must be filled out by Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. No CORI forms will be sent to the Archdiocese after that date. If you still need to fill out a CORI to volunteer, please make an appointment with Mrs. Tully.

#### SchoolStore Fundraiser

Information will be coming home Monday. Students receive prizes for sending email invitations to family and friends. One family has a chance to win \$100! See packet for more information. We would appreciate your participation.

#### Walk for Education

Next week information will be coming home regarding our Walk for Education. All students are required to participate. This Walk has consistently raised between \$6,000 and \$8,000 for the school.

# Thank you

A special thank you to Aiden Martin and his mom Amanda for coordinating the donations for the people affected by the gas crisis in the Merrimack Valley. We were overwhelmed by our community's generosity. St. Monica School continues to live its Catholic mission.

# Good morning!

We want to say a big "thank you" to all of the individuals, families and businesses for your donations this week to help those in need in the Merrimack Valley! It's so wonderful to see people coming together to help each other! Also to the volunteers who helped transport the items Thursday evening, we appreciate your time and help.

Carmen and her staff of volunteers at the Lawrence Senior Central were so grateful to receive the contributions from our school community! Thanks again and have a great weekend!

Amanda and Aiden Martin



# **More Upcoming Events**

# October 5

No School – Faculty Professional Day

#### October 8

No School - Columbus Day

#### October 9

Santa' Shop Committee Mtg 6:30 PM

# October 9 & 10

Basketball registration will take place in the school cafeteria from 7:00 – 8:00 PM.

# October 11

Protecting God's Children Class at St. Lucy Schoolhouse 6:00 PM. You must register at virtus.org.

# October 12

School Mass 8:15 AM. Everyone is invited.

# October 13

Living Rosary in school parking lot 12:00 noon.

Thank you to Eric Alaimo from Central Catholic High School for donating two Apple TVs to St. Monica. We are excited about progressing in the technology world!!

Thank you to Mr. Joseph Serwatka for purchasing a new basketball hoop for the playground. Mr. Serwatka saw a need and took the initiative to make a difference for our students at gym and recess!

Thank you to Mrs. Sylvia and Mrs. Bower for organizing a fun spirit day for the children

Thank you to Mr. Rob Dahbour for donating popsicles for spirit day. Spirit day ran a little late so we will give them to the children today.

Thank you to the Castro, Maroun and Wood Families for the donation of trees for the Festival of Trees.

We truly appreciate everyone who donates!

#### Volunteers Needed

Fuddruckers Dine Out Night is this Friday. Flyers will be going home today. If you can volunteer for an hour or more to sell raffle tickets at our Fuddruckers night, please contact the PTO at pto@methuencatholic.org. We appreciate your help!!

October 1st – Christmas Fair Committee Meeting – 6:30 PM in the School

October  $9^{th}$  – Santa's Secret Shop Committee Meeting –  $6:30\ PM$  in the School

All are welcome. Many hands make light work!!

# **STEM**

STEM for Grades 3-6 begins this week!! All registrations need to be in by tomorrow morning (9/25).

#### **Job Openings**

Parents please check our web page – we have a few job openings.

#### **Testing**

Don't forget! Testing continues this week. IPads need to come to school with the NWEA secure testing App downloaded for Grades 1-5. They should be fully charged and ready to go!. Early to bed, a good breakfast, and an extra snack will make the difference in their testing.







**More Upcoming Events** 

#### October 15

PTO Meeting in School Hall at 6:00 PM

#### October 19

Walk for Education

#### HAVE A GREAT WEEK!!

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# Walk for the Poor

This Saturday is the friends of the poor walk. It begins at 9:00 AM and leaves from the school parking lot. If you are able to join us to walk, please meet at 8:45 outside off the school. For those who cannot join us, but would like to donate to the walk, please use and share the link below! All proceeds go to the St. Monica St. Vincent de Paul Society which helps so many in need all year long.

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Extended Day had another great week of learning,	growing, and playing.	Check out our	newsletter	attached to
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