



DRAGON UPDATE

Sept. 30, 2017

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe the first month of school has come and gone. The students have been so busy learning and reviewing that time has just flown by. Thank you so much for being so patient during morning arrival. There seems to be an ease about the process now and it seems that now that everyone is being patient with each other the process is going much smoother and quicker.

Thank you also to everyone for getting your child(ren) here by 7:30 it is so nice to begin in prayer together in the gym. The 8th grade girls have started the "tradition" of singing Happy Birthday to the birthday celebrant of the day. It is a nice way to recognize students on their special day. We are also using the morning to do a little Catholic Trivia. Which is proving to be interesting on how much the students know and can't recall about their faith, much thanks goes to Ava and her committee for spearheading this.

We have a lot of opportunities to grow this year as a community and emphasize the GOOD we can bring. Please take a moment and read through this letter and add the events to your family's calendar.

Just a gentle reminder: don't forget to pray the rosary during the month of October. Many blessings are promised to those who commit to reciting this beautiful prayer.

God Bless,

Mrs. Julie Clingman

Our Lady of the Rosary Feast Day Oct. 9th On Monday, October 9th the students at St. George will be praying the Rosary at 2:00 in the big parking lot. We are making a Rosary from balloons filled with helium and then releasing it. Please come join us!

World Mission Week Activities:

We will be celebrating World Mission Week October 9 through October 13. This is a very important week for our students because all the activities focus on building discipleship and stewardship. Throughout this week students are brought into solidarity with the poor through activities and learning opportunities. Jesus tells us over and over to take care of the poor and unfortunate around us.

Serve St. Louis

Have you signed up yet? On **Saturday, October 7 from 8:30-12 noon** St. George School and the entire Hermann area will have the opportunity to volunteer community wide. This project is called Serve St. Louis and we are a host site for this area. We have 5 projects that will need 15-25 volunteers each. Because we are the host site for this effort, we would really like *St. George to have a strong presence*. This community service is part of our upcoming Mission Week.

ANYONE in the community can volunteer they just *have* to sign up the same way-using the link below. There are projects that are open to ALL ages and abilities. Please sign up if you can for 1 hour or more and encourage your family and friends to do the same!

The projects will begin at 8:30am and conclude approximately at noon. The committee is asking everyone to meet at the Rhineland City Park at 12:00 noon to have lunch together and share some fellowship. The luncheon will be provided.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Please follow these instructions to register for a Serve St. Louis Project being held in and around the Hermann area.

1. Click the link <http://www.servestlouis.org/>
2. Scroll to where you see the icon for “projects” and then click on the grey arch. The direct link to all St. George Projects is here
https://www.servestlouis.org/projects/search?keyword=&host=87&family_friendly=0&skilled=0&physical_labor=0&indoor=0&outdoor=0&date=&minimum_volunteer_age=&area=&map

OR

1. On the left side of the page scroll through the host sites until you see our school. Select “St. George School” and click the red “find projects” button at the bottom of the page. This will limit the projects to only the ones in our area.
2. Look through the projects and select one that best suits your family. Once you have selected one it will prompt you to either “log-in” or “register”. You will need to register.
3. Simply fill in the registration information which includes creating a password so that you can log back in at a later time.

Any questions or if you would like to add a project to our list please contact the school at 573-486-5914.

Light the Night Concert Oct. 13

Join us for an evening of FAITH, family and FUN! Sponsored by St. George Catholic School

This event is open to the public and we encourage you to invite family, friends, church family, anyone and everyone are welcome!!! This is part of our Mission Week in which we get to share the ministry with our community.

When: Friday October 13 from 5-7pm

Where: Hermann Amphitheater

A Christian Concert by the band EAST 2 WEST, games, crafts, and displays Admission is FREE which includes 3 game tickets (additional game tickets can be purchased for .25 apiece)

Food will be available for purchase through the Knights of Columbus (no outside food or drink will be permitted). In the event of inclement weather, the event will be moved to the St. George School Gymnasium

School Bank

Did you know we had a school bank? It is an actual working branch of People Savings Bank. Every 2nd & 4th Thursday from 7:30-8:00am, students can bring in their money to be deposited; any amount from 5¢ to \$50. The 5th grade are our bankers, they have been interviewed and trained by the bank employees. We want to thank People’s Savings Bank for sponsoring this program; its purpose is to teach our students the value of saving. So please encourage your child to bring his/her deposits to the school bank. If your child needs a savings account please visit any of the People Savings Banks locations.

Blessing of the Pets-October 10th

Please join us after Mass on Tuesday, October 10th for a special Blessing of the Pets.

Students may bring a stuffed animal or parents may bring a pet from home for a Blessing from Monsignor Higley. The Blessing will be right in Front of Church immediately following Mass.

Parent/Student/Teacher Conference Oct. 26th

Report cards will be sent home Wednesday, Oct. 25. We will have Parent/Teacher/Student conferences on Thursday, Oct. 26th from 1:00 p.m. until 7:00 pm. **The last conference will begin at 6:50 and end at 7:00. No conference will begin after 6:50.** No conferences are scheduled for any grade. We will let you choose the best time to visit with the teachers you need to see. For your convenience, chairs will be available outside each classroom. Conferences should be limited to 10 minutes. If you feel you need additional time, please contact the teacher and set up an appointment on a different day.

Mommy and Me Monster Bash

Every year St. George offers a Daddy Daughter dance as a fundraiser for St. George School. This year, the Home and School Organization is offering a fundraiser for Moms and their sons! How exciting!! On October 21st at Sweet Clover Farms (just South of Hermann) from 5-8 pm....Moms will be able to enjoy a host of frightening activities with their boys grade PK-8th. See the Flier for more information but note that this event is open to all St. George and Public School Families, so please share the word. All proceeds will benefit St. George School. If you want to help with volunteering to bake treats or to work please contact one of the Home and School Officers.

Money Counts

A \$150.00 per child registration/book fee and the \$25 per family technology fee are due by October 31st. If you are unable to meet these obligations, please contact Monsignor Higley or me to make special arrangements. At this time there are only **8** families who have not paid these fees.

All Saints' Day and Sandwich Day together this on Wednesday, Nov. 1st

This year we are combing two big events ... a holy day of obligation and the traditional sandwich day. We thought it would be extra special to combine the two.

Mass will begin at 11:00 and this will count as your obligation to attend Mass on this day. When you arrive, report to the church and your child will meet you there. Then afterwards we will immediately go to the cafeteria for our sack lunch. You are welcome to eat anywhere on the parish/school grounds.

Then after lunch you may take your child home. The teacher will be using the afternoon as a curriculum development day.

If you are unable to attend, your child may invite another special person, perhaps a grandparent. Please fill out the enclosed reservation form and return it to school no later than Oct. 23rd.

Labels

Our school is once again saving Best Choice labels. The Campbell's Labels for Education program has been cancelled. The Student Council will also be saving Box Tops for Education. All these programs offer books or a monetary reimbursement for participating in their program. Through these programs we have been able to purchase equipment such as CD players, P.E. equipment, internet site licenses and various other items. Please, if you buy any of these items send the UPC's or entire label to school. Remember "*YOUR TRASH IS OUR CASH*"

Handicapped Parking for events in our Gym

It has been brought to my attention that the handicapped parking spaces by the gym door are being used by people who might not need them or who do not have a handicapped tag. If you are using the parking spaces and do not need to --- PLEASE do not use them. If you are using them and need to, please make sure you have the appropriate tags on your car. Thank you for your consideration to this matter.

Also, PLEASE try avoiding parking in the crosswalks during arrival and dismissal procedures.

Home and School Fundraiser-10/10 Tickets

The Home & School Organization has two fund-raisers, one that is in progress, see the SCRIP program below for more information. Tickets for the 10/10 program will be arriving soon. The 10-10 tickets, these are raffle tickets for \$10 with the grand prize being a \$100. There are also other denominations given out each month. Please consider selling these tickets if every family in school sold just one book of tickets the organization would profit \$5700; if every family would sell 2 books of tickets the profit would be \$15,000; 3 books \$24,300; etc. This one fund-raiser has enormous profit potential.

Also, there is our **SCRIP** program. Every time you purchase SCRIP $\frac{1}{2}$ of the rebate/profit the school receives and the other $\frac{1}{2}$ is given to your home parish in your family's name. Currently 65% of the school families are participating. Could we get 75% to participate in the month of October? If so, I know we could make our goal. Scrip Sales take place each Friday in the Church Basement from 7am-9am. During the week, Bernice has the SCRIP box in the Rectory and she is available M-F from 8am to 3pm.

Total Lunch Days

September	19
October	20
November	17

God Bless,

