



# St. Anne School

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## Principal Letter

September 26, 2018

Gospel Reflection: St. Cosmas and St. Damian

An argument arose among the disciples about which of them was greatest. Jesus realized the intention of their hearts and took a child and placed it by his side and said to them, "Whoever receives this child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me, **for the one who is least among all of you is the one who is the greatest.**"

Reflection: Blessed Mother, strengthen me internally so that I may be humble.

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### New Students

We are very happy to welcome two new students to our St. Anne family. Kaydence is a new first grade student and her brother, Hunter, is in second grade. Their classmates and teachers are doing a wonderful job of helping Kaydence and Hunter learn all of the new procedures and schedule at our school. Their mother reports that both were tired after their first day!

### Last Minute Reminders

Student Council Bake Sale is Thurs. Sept. 27th—tomorrow. Please drop off bake sale items tomorrow in main lobby. Items cost 50 cents for students and all students will have the opportunity to purchase baked goods tomorrow. Thank you parents who donate!

Bake Sale Day is also a Dress Down Day. Just some gentle reminders that jeans must not have rips or holes; shorts must be same length required for uniforms; and shirts must have appropriate messages. Thank you parents for teaching your child(ren) what is appropriate.

### Student Council News...

Officers for 2018-19 are:

Claire Crisham—President

Aryana Collins—Vice-President

Carson Palmer—Treasurer

Logan Palmer—Secretary

Grade level representatives include Coda Robertson, Max DeForest, Brooklyn Johns, Kaylen Blumhoff, Lexie Chavera, Kennedy Johns, Bella Robichaud, Ryan Partington, and Zachary DeForest.

Sponsors for Student Council are Mrs. Mary Beth Oswald and Mrs. Audra Bates.

### Graduation Date!

Please mark your calendars on Friday, May 24, 2019 for St. Anne graduation. More details will be announced after consultation with teachers, students, families and administration. It has been decided already that students will wear caps and gowns.

### Homecoming Parade—Oct. 5th at Newman Central Catholic HS

All Sterling Deanery 8th grade students are invited by NCHS to ride on a special float in the Homecoming Parade. There has been a change in the transportation information. Newman will provide transportation from St. Anne's on a white activity bus between 12:45pm and 1:00pm at St. Anne's. A permission form will be sent home for parents to complete. It is a pretty cool site to see all of the 8th graders come together on this float.

### Room Party Fees

Just a gentle reminder from Calli McClain, President of St. Anne Home and School Association, who is asking parents to please pay the room party fee. Yesterday, individual notes were sent to 43 families as a reminder. Many of you responded today and we thank you. Please recall that the first room party is on Grandparents Day, October 5th. The amount is \$10 and you can send this with your child. Checks should be made out to St. Anne School. Thank you.

Grandparents Day is a wonderful opportunity for generations to come together at our school. Many activities are planned for that special day. The schedule will be uploaded to the school website. Each child also brought home a form to sign up a grandparent for lunch on that day. That form also is uploaded to the school website.

### Other Home and School School Association Items

1. The **school book fair** will be held on Thursday, October 4th and Friday, October 5th. We are in need of a few more volunteers to help work at the book fair. Volunteers are needed for the following time slots: October 4th from 7:30-8:30 AM and 12:30-3:30 PM and Friday, October 5th from 8-10:30 AM, 10:30 AM to 1 PM, and 1-3 PM. If you are interested in volunteering, please text/call Calli at 815-677-4517.
2. Thank you to the **Lovable Lunches** chairs Julie Nicklaus, Alex Oliver, and Lori Stees for the success of this fundraiser event! Many thanks to the volunteers also.
3. The **Golf Ball Drop committee** will be holding their first meeting on Wednesday, October 3rd at 6 PM in the FCR. All families that are signed up to work the Golf Ball Drop for their large fundraiser need to attend this meeting.
4. Thank you to all of the parents who helped with the **Drive In Movie**.

### Next Week Reminders

Weds. Oct. 3—7:55am in the Vaile Pavilion—Blessing of the Pets

Weds. Oct. 3—5:30pm—Home & School Association Meeting-FCR

Thurs. Oct. 4—Picture Day—Uniforms not required. Please follow dress down day guidelines. Packets have been sent home. Students will please bring Order Form on Picture Day.

Thurs. Oct. 5—Book Fair begins and continues on Fri. Oct. 6

Fri. Oct. 5—GRANDPARENTS DAY—Come and join the fun.

Fri. Oct. 5—Early Dismissal at 1:00pm

### **October Date Reminders**

Mon. Oct. 8—No School—Columbus Day

Tues. Oct. 9—No School—Teacher Institute Day at St. Mary's/Dixon

Thurs. Oct. 11—ALICE Procedure Practice at 8:45am with Sgt. Mike Wolfley, Dixon Police Dept.

### **Safety Drills**

Practicing safety procedures is very important. To date, our students, teachers, and staff have participated in a fire drill with Chief Tim Shipman present. Also, Sgt. Mike Wolfley from the Dixon Police Dept. met with our staff during the opening teacher institute days to update us on how to respond to an active shooter event using the ALICE procedures. He also spoke to our students on Sept. 12th and will return to do a short practice procedure on Oct. 11th.

Yesterday we practiced a shelter in place drill in the event of bad weather or other emergencies. Father and I are “tweaking” several parts of this procedure.

Have a wonderful rest of the week and weekend!

Mrs. Kathy Howard-Principal