

THE Cardinal's Corner



November **7**, **2019**

The mission of Saint Peter's Catholic School is to prepare students to excel in life by achieving success in a lived and taught Catholic tradition of excellence. Consistent with our motto, "Saints and Scholars," we aim to produce leaders in academics and servants in faith.

Principal Letter

November 7, 2019

Dear Saint Peter's Catholic School Families and Friends,

We had another very busy week here at Saint Peter's! Last Friday, we had a very beautiful and joyful All Saints Day Mass with our parish family, and celebration with our school family. Thank you to all who allowed their children to dress up as their favorite Saint!

Thank you again to all who have given so generously to the Camargo-Contreras family in this time of great need; they are very appreciative of your love and support. Please continue to keep them in your prayers. Mrs. Jessica Green will continue to accept donations in the school office.

Our new laptops for our 6th grade students have arrived! Due to the generosity of an anonymous donor and a \$1900 contribution from our wonderful PTO, we will now be able to set our 6th grade students up on Google Classroom so that they are wellprepared for the 7th grade at JPII next year!

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SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Didacus

November 7. Saint Didacus was a Spanish Franciscan known for his spiritual insights and his penitential practices. He was a missionary to the Canary Islands and aided the sick in Rome. His travels and ministries did not distract him from prayer and contemplation.

It is time for us to conduct our diocesan surveys. This year the survey will again focus on Catholic Identity Program Effectiveness at St. Peter's Catholic School. Your opinion is very important to us because we need to know in what areas we are doing well, and in what areas we can improve.

We need 100% participation, and this is your chance to offer your opinion!

You will see the link below for the Parent Survey.

https://eprovesurveys.advanc-ed.org/surveys/#/action/122112/28781

Please be sure to respond to this survey by Friday, November 15, 2019.

This week we will be highlighting the accomplishments of our hard-working, enthusiastic PTO thus far. Next week we will provide an update on our new School Advisory Council and their efforts to create a Strategic Plan for the School.

Have a wonderful weekend!

God bless,

Ann M. Feltner



Congratulations to the students who demonstrated the Virtue of Faith during the month of September!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Box of Joy program!

All Saint's Day

Enjoy these pictures of our students dressed up at their favorite Saints! Thank you to the families that participated in this fun day!



Important Dates & Announcements!

11/7 – Parent/Teacher Conferences – 12:15-5:00 PM – <u>Half Day</u> - <u>Noon Dismissal – NO SCHOOL MASS</u>

11/8 – Parent/Teacher Conferences – No School

11/20 – Chick-Fil-a Spirit Night – 5:30-7:30 PM - Students that attend will receive a SAINT card from their teacher.

11/20-11/26 - Scholastic Book Fair - Volunteers Needed!

11/22 – Homes for the Holidays Gala

11/23 – Miss Paige Inglis' Birthday

11/23 & 11/24 – Homes for the Holidays Home Tours

11/25 – Brody's Spirit Night – 5:00-10:00 PM - Students that attend will receive a SAINT card from their teacher.

11/26 - Thanksgiving Assembly and Lunch - 11:00 AM

11/27-11/29 - Thanksgiving Break - No School

Volunteers are needed for the Book Fair! Visit the sign up genius (https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040D48AFAC22A1F49-stpeters) to sign up. Contact Melanie Coombes at mcoombes@charlestondiocese.org if you have any questions!

The Homes for the Holiday's Gala is on Friday, November 22nd. This is a wonderful event and opportunity for fellowship. This event features amazing food, drinks and music. Tickets are \$100 each and can be purchased online or in the Parish office. Please visit the Homes for the Holiday's website for more information: http://beauforthomesfortheholidays.com/

Volunteers are needed to sell Gala and Tour tickets for Homes for the Holidays, after Masses on November 10 and/or November 17.

Volunteers are also needed to sell tickets the days of the tour, Saturday November 23 and Sunday November 24.

Please contact Mary Ann Furjanic at 843-263-7664 for specific times and details.

PTO Update!

The school year has been off to a busy start! Thank you to our wonderful school families for your participation and contributions to our events and fundraisers. We kicked off the year with the Back to School Bash and Tears and Cheers Breakfast, followed by the

Fall Bazaar, Spirit Nights at Brody's, Upper Crust, and Chick-fil-a, Box Tops Competition and most recently our Boo Grams. Our students and families have made each of these a great success!

The 18th annual Beaufort Homes for the Holidays Gala and Home Tour weekend is quickly approaching November 22nd-24th. (www.beauforthomesfortheholidays.com) The proceeds from this weekend provide a large contribution to the school endowment fund every year. Last year this event earned over \$50,000 for our school! There is a tremendous team of volunteers that dedicate many months of their time planning, organizing, and executing the gala and home tour and we are so grateful to them. As a school community, we are asked to provide home baked cookies for the refreshment tables during the tour. This is a simple contribution that has a huge impact. Tour goers look forward to enjoying your cookies every single year! We kindly ask that you mark your calendars to provide four dozen home baked cookies the week of November 18-22nd.

The Board Members of the PTO want to keep everyone informed throughout the year. We want our school families to enjoy the excitement of your contributions with full knowledge of the distribution of funds raised. Please look for our monthly update in the school newsletter. A reminder that this is not a closed group. We welcome and encourage any parent to attend our meetings. The PTO board meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 4:15pm in the school office. Our next meeting is this Tuesday, November 12th. Also, if you have not already joined our Facebook page, it is St. Peter's Catholic School-PTO. We continuously post updates and reminders for our school families.

PTO Financial Update July 1, 2019 - October 31, 2019:

Income -SCRIP: \$499

Charleston Wrap: \$1021 (all numbers not finalized at this time)

Publix Rewards: \$447.13

Boo Grams: \$180

Box Tops: Check has not been received to date (approximately 1000 Box Tops were turned in during our October

competition!)
Spirit Nights Brody's: \$475
Chick-fil-a: \$348.72

Upper Crust: Check has not been received to date

Expenses with explanations:

PTO provided \$1900 towards the purchase of new laptops for our sixth-grade students in September. Expenses of \$200 were incurred at the beginning of the year to provide for the Tears and Cheers Breakfast and Teachers Treats for the first day of school. No expenses from the Fall Bazaar are reported as all items for Kidz World were a donation from a school family.

PTO Board Members 2019-2020:

Stephanie Whiteside, President Angela Calvert, Vice President Jackie Goard, Secretary Becca Clarke, Treasurer Shelby Feltner, Co-Treasurer

We are excited for what the rest of the school year will bring! Thank you all for helping to make this such a special school community at St. Peter's.



K3 spent time in the Atrium doing practical works with Mrs. Linda, Mrs. Kathy and Mrs. Joy. We are very fortunate to have the Good Shepherd Program at Saint Peter's Catholic School!

K4 used different types of scissors to practice cutting and build fine motor skills.





Kindergarten students practiced mastering their sight words by making them out of Playdoh.



Every morning, after unpacking, our First Graders pray before starting their day.

This sight brings their teacher a great deal of joy.

2nd Grade is learning to write in cursive! They are forming their letters beautifully. Everyone can write their name in cursive and they are having lots of fun with this new challenge.





3rd and 4th grade had lots of fun in Spanish class celebrating the Day of the Dead.



4th grade visited the Adoration Chapel this week to pray for a classmate and their family, after suffering the loss of a parent.

5th grade students conducted candy experiments on Halloween. In one of the experiments, they found that a Three Musketeers doesn't sink like most other candy bars due to the trapped air inside of it making it less dense than water.





6th grade said "goodbye" to a long-time classmate, Thomas. He has been at our school since the age of 3 and will be missed greatly!



Homes for the Holidays is coming up November 22-24th! This is a wonderful event to benefit our sweet school.

The school families sponsor the refreshment table during the home tour each year. So we are asking for your delicious holiday cookies! We are asking each school family to bake 4 dozen cookies to be shared with the hundreds of tour goers that will pass through our refreshment tables this year. All cookies can be dropped off at school the week of November 18th. If you have time to bake now, and not later, your cookies can be brought in to the freezer in the kitchen until the Friday before Homes for the Holidays. Thank you for helping to make Homes for the Holidays a HUGE success!

P.S. Please hang me on your fridge as a sweet cookie reminder!

Home for the Holidays se aproxima!!!! El evento tomara lugar Noviembre 22-24

Este es un evento maravilloso que beneficia a nuestra escuela.

Las familias de la escuela patrocinan la mesa de refrescos cada año. Estamos pidiendo a cada familia 4 dozenas de galletas para el evento. Las galletas seran dadas durante el recorecorrido.

Las galletas podran ser dejadas en la oficina durande la semana de Noviembre 18. Si gustan dejar las galletas antes de la fecha seran muy bien recibidas y congeladas.

Gracias a todas nuestras maravillas famillias por hacer HOMES FOR THE HOLIDAYS un exito.

Gracias

Jackie Goard



Beaufort HOMES for HOLIDAYS



A Southern Christmas

Historic Bay Street Area in Downtown Beaufort

Walking tour of 7 incredible homes in the Historic Bay Street area all professionally decorated for the Holidays.

GALA - Friday, November 22, 7 p.m. - 11 p.m. TOUR - Saturday, November 23, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. TOUR - Sunday, November 24, 12 p.m - 3 p.m.

Tour Tickets \$30 in advance • \$35 the day of the tour Gala \$100 (tickets are limited)

Tickets may be purchased online at www.beauforthomesfortheholidays.com in September and at area businesses: The Chocolate Tree, Sweet Bay, Scout Southern Market, The Kitchen, Nuances, Markels (Bluffton) and Branches (Wexford), and St. Peter's Catholic Church office in October.

For more information call 843-522-6503.

