Schoolgram

May 25, 2023



ST. Alogsius

Prayer Intentions:

For Ms. Kris and her family for the passing of her step dad. Mrs. Webb's son who had surgery today.

A Summer Prayer for Families:

May we make our homes places of relaxation,joy, love, peace and safety. May we be generous and considerate, not thinking only about ourselves,but helping others enjoy the blessings of the summertime. Lord God, Creator of all things, guide our steps and strengthen our hearts during these months of summer and vacation days. Grant us refreshment of mind and body. May we constantly strive to make a meaningful difference in the lives of our loved ones and in the world around us as we enjoy the warm days of summertime. Amen.

Calendar:

5/26

- Gr. 1 Wintergarden
- Gr. 3-5 Nature's Nursery visit
- Gr. 6-8 Rec Center
- 2023 Senior Walk
- Dress down:
 Destination:Vacation
- 5/29

Memorial Day: NO SCHOOL

- 5/30
- Party in the Parking Lot
- 5/31
 - Last (full) day KR-8
 - K graduation 9:00am
 - 8th grade graduation 7:00 pm
- 6/1
- Have a great summer!

SUMMER BREAK



From the Principal:

Wow! 3 more days left in what has been a wonderful year overall. In addition to saying goodbye to our 8th grade graduates, we are also going to miss Mrs. Conroy, one of our tutors, and Mrs. Zera, one of our librarians, who are retiring. We truly appreciate their service and dedication to our school and students over the last few years. In addition, Mrs. Pam Bowen is retiring as our ASP clerk after 31 years here at St. Al's. The work Mrs. Bowen does is mainly behind the scenes, ordering and keeping an inventory of textbooks and other supplies. She handles timesheets for our ASP employees. She meticulously keeps track of our state and federal funds making sure we make the most of our resources. Most of our students and parents have no idea of the work she does in her little office in Clare Hall, but ask any teacher or staff member and you'll have to listen to us go on and on about what an incredible person she is and one of the best ASP clerks in the business. We have been blessed to have her here at her home parish working two and a half days a week and I know her other two schools will miss her as much as we will. May all three of these women enjoy this next phase of their journey and countless blessings as they enter into retirement.

I can't believe this is the last schoolgram of the year. Summer vacation is sure to fly by even more quickly than this school year did, but please know that all of your children and your families will be in my prayers. We are so grateful for the trust you put in us when you chose St. Aloysius and will continue to work hard throughout the summer to make St. Al's the best place it can be. To those of you not returning next year, please know that you will be missed and will always be a part of our family.

May God bless your families this summer. St. Aloysius, Pray for Us.

God's Blessings, Andrea Puhl

From the Office:

- Missing library book notices will go home tomorrow. Please return them or send in payment to replace them. If you already turned it in today, you can disregard this message.
- **Yearbooks** have been delivered and went home Tuesday. There are a limited number of yearbooks available to purchase on a first come, first serve basis. Payment reserves your copy. Cost: \$15.
- Tomorrow is a **spirit day** and our theme is "Destination: Vacation." Students may wear jeans, athletic pants or uniform length shorts with a shirt that represents a place they want to travel this summer or how they plan to spend their summer vacation. Fun summer designs or colors are just fine.
- Party in the Parking Lot Volunteers On Tuesday, May 30th we will have our end of the year celebration with a variety of fun activities for our students. We will need many parent volunteers so please check your schedules and make sure your Virtus is up to date. You can sign up here to volunteer in the morning, afternoon or all day:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4AA8AD2AABFE3-parking



Thank you!

THANK YOU

The 2023 8th Grade class of St. Aloysius School would like to take the opportunity to thank the Parish and School Families for your generous support of the fundraising for their trip to Washington D.C.!

The class trip was April 24 - 27, 2023. They shared their adventure with the 8th Grade students from All Saints School in Rossford. Highlights of the trip included visiting Gettysburg on the way to D.C., seeing so much of the city in just two days, including visiting the Holocaust Museum and a Presidential SUV sighting near the Korean War Memorial. They also visited Arlington Cemetery and all the monuments lit up at night. They ended the trip with a stop at the 9/11 Flight 93 Memorial in Pennsylvania on the way home. They returned safely home, and appreciate the opportunity to have both a fun and educational experience as a big memory of their last year at St. Al's!

Also, they would like to offer a special thank you to their awesome chaperones, Mrs. Puhl, School Principal and Mr. Schenk, St. Al's P.E. Teacher!

From the Parish:

CYO Track

Congratulations to **Lily Wagner** who broke her own school record for the 3rd time this season. She threw 89'6" in the discus and is the CYO Junior Girls Discus Champion. Congratulations Lily!

VBS NEEDS

Can you help with our VBS wish list? Here's a list on Amazon, but items DO NOT need to be purchased from Amazon, just wanting to provide images and quantities. Local shopping is preferred. Tags with needed donation items will be hanging in the narthex. Pull a tag and return items to the narthex or parish office by June 4th.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/5PNZLFGE2EXN?ref =wl_share Other items needed:

- Large various sized cardboard boxes, fully closable
- outdoor potting soil (cheap to fill 65-8 oz. containers)
- Package of 100 lunch bags
- 6 pk of fine-tip black Sharpies
- Various shaped snack crackers: saltine, wheat-thin, graham, triangle, goldfish cheese and pretzel flavors & rice crisps
- 2-3 rolls Packing tape







From the Community:

The Wood County Museum is featuring a free outdoor community event on Saturday June 24th from 11am-4pm. It's our "Cruising to a Safe Summer" (safety fair and classic car cruise-in). It will have lots of safety and service vehicles from all over the county including fire trucks, police cruisers, EMT & 1st responders, an inflatable bounce house and an obstacle course, classic car cruise-in, farm tractors, and food trucks on site. This event will be held on the Museum's grounds and co-hosted by the Wood County Museum and Safe Communities of Wood County, Ohio. See attached flyer.

New legislation could mean free tuition for more families. Raise Your Voice for School Choice

Ohio lawmakers are scheduled to vote on several pieces of school choice legislation very soon that have the potential to make a huge impact for Ohio students and their families. It is important that our elected officials know that the people they represent support school choice.

Please take a moment to ask your elected representatives in Columbus to vote in favor of school choice legislation and stand with the families and students they represent. Fill out your information here https://pla.co/llfOgEZ in order to send an email directly to your elected officials in Columbus and let your voice be heard.

Here's what is happening in Columbus right now: The state legislature is working on the new state budget that begins July 1, 2023. Currently, the budget created by the House includes a bill that will increase the income qualifications for EdChoice Expansion to 450% of the federal poverty level. The probability of this increase becoming law is very strong, however the timing regarding the beginning of school poses challenges. Please be aware that this increase is not a law at this time. The Educational Choice scholarship (EdChoice) Program provides students in grades K-8 the opportunity to attend St. Al's covering the ENTIRE tuition for the 23-24 school year. Please understand that these allocations are separate and NO funds are being removed from any public schools. If the income increase does become law, families who apply MUST be at or below the EdChoice Income Guidelines for your household size. (See chart below). This scholarship benefits the school along with the parents. The annual school registration and materials fee is not included in the EdChoice Scholarship and must be paid by the parents/guardians.

Household Size Annual Income at 450%

1 \$ 65,610.00 2 \$ 88,740.00 3 \$ 111,870.00 4 \$ 135,000.00 5 \$ 158,130.00 6 \$ 181,260.00 7 \$ 204,390.00

If this new guideline becomes law this summer, we will let our families know how to apply if they qualify at the new income level.