



Prayer Intentions:

For all of those we promised to pray for.

Prayer:

O God of Creation, you have blessed us with the changing of the seasons. As we welcome the autumn months, may the earlier setting of the sun remind us to take time to rest. May the brilliant colors of the leaves remind us of the wonder of your creation. May the steam of our breath in the cool air remind us that it is you who give us the breath of life. May the harvest from the fields remind us of the abundance we have been given and bounty we are to share with others. May the dying of summer's spirit remind us of your great promise that death is temporary and life is eternal. We praise you for your goodness forever and ever.

Calendar:

- 11/10**
 - Otsego Alternate Bus route
- 11/12**
 - Vocations Panel 4-6pm
- 11/13-11/17**
 - OSU/MI Food Drive
- 11/14**
 - BG/UT Dress Down with item for food pantry
- 11/15**
 - Gr. 3-5 game day money due
 - Jr. High to Walleye game
 - December lunch orders end
- 11/17**
 - OSU/MI dress down day
 - Picture retake day
 - Gr. 3-5 game day 3:15-4:45 pm
 - Midterm
- 11/18**
 - BG Holiday Parade
- 11/20**
 - Conferences: **NO SCHOOL**
- 11/21-11/24**
 - Thanksgiving break: **NO SCHOOL**
- 11/29**
 - AAF dress down: Musical Genre
- 11/30**
 - School Mass 2:10 pm (Gr. 7)
 - Last Friday of the month dress down: What are you thankful for theme

From the Principal:

There are some nice opportunities the next two weekends to participate in the life of the parish, school and greater BG community. I hope to see many of our school families at the **Vocations Panel on Sunday afternoon from 4-6**. We talk a lot about vocations with the students, but with the shortage of religious vocations it is hard to give them the opportunity to hear from and interact with ordained and consecrated religious. The first hour you will have the opportunity to hear from the panel and the second hour you are invited to interact with them and each other while enjoying light refreshments. If you are there, please have any St. Al's students find me for a little thank you for attending.

The next weekend is the **Bowling Green Holiday Parade on Saturday, November 18th** and St. Al's will once again be represented. See the information from Parent Association below to find out how you can support our school at this great community event.

*God's Blessings,
Andrea Puhl*

From the Office:

- Extended Day and playground are in need of supervisors for the month of December; also Jan. 4th & 5th, and the week of Jan. 8th - 12th. **If you have a college student returning home for Christmas break who is interested in working part-time**, please have them call the school office or email Miss Gigi at extended_day@stalschoolbg.org. Thank you, we appreciate any help you can provide.
- **December lunch orders** are due by midnight on 11/15/23.
- **Mrs. Rath** will be out of the office and unavailable 11/8/23-11/22/23. Please email Mrs. Rogers, receptionist@stalschoolbg.org or Mrs. Puhl, principal@stalschoolbg.org if you need anything time sensitive. Please plan ahead for anything you may need.
- **School Mass** can be viewed online. Click the link for Mass at **2:10 pm, Thursday, 11/16/23**: <https://venue.streamspot.com/event/NDIwMzgZQQ>

Info for New Families (& good reminders for the rest of us)

- **Our OSU vs U of M annual canned food drive** will take place next week. Our food pantry here at St. Al's counts on our donations each year to help the needy in our own community. We have some fun with the collection by keeping track of which college team gets the most donations. **We will also tie it into another big rivalry with the BGSU vs UT game. Any student bringing a food item on Tuesday may dress in BGSU orange and brown with jeans or athletic pants.** (I guess Toledo fans could wear blue and gold since it's for a good cause...but go Falcons!) Our classes compete all week long and the class with the highest number of items per student (we use this average so small classes can compete



with larger classes) will win a pizza party. **The food pantry is really in need of canned soup and peanut butter so we will give double points for those items.** Please do not send expired items or glass jars. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



Mark your calendar for our Christmas Programs:

Preschool through Grade 3- Tuesday, December 5 at 2:00pm and 7:00pm

Grade 4 through Grade 8- Thursday, December 14 at 2:00pm and 7:00pm

Mrs. Wilt, our general music teacher, and Ms. Diehl, our band teacher have been busy working with the students to prepare holiday music to share with all of us!



From Parent Association:

- **Holiday Parade:** We are looking for parents and students to assist with the Holiday Parade on November 18th. If you would like to participate by walking or riding on our float please reach out to April Gladieux, yourperfectdayllc@gmail.com. More details to follow.
- Please consider **donating** leftover **Halloween candy**. Donations will be accepted in the office. We will use this candy in the parade on November 18.