

St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic School

Monday News

March 4, 2019

*“Ash Wednesday; Time to reflect and share our thanks,
for this is the time we remember the greatest sacrifice.”*

~Unknown

Message from Principal Angie Krauss:

Dear Families,

This year has flown by and our school wide focus on gratitude has deepened my appreciation of each day and the incredible/ordinary blessings in each one. I can't believe that we are welcoming March Madness and the season of Lent already. I invite all of you that can, to join our school community for Ash Wednesday Mass at St. Aloysius Parish beginning at 12:15pm. Also, on Thursday we will have Zag free dress day to wish our team good luck in the WCC tournament,

This week, an accreditation team comprised of principals and teachers will be on site evaluating our K-8 programs in all respects from facilities management to faith formation. I am so grateful for all the work, time and effort that our staff, parish, community partners and parents have given to make this visit a success. I know they will see how truly special our school is and how our ELC and K-8 programs blend together to form such an incredible community.

Here is a list of reminders and items that need to be completed during the registration process.

- If you are a practicing Catholic family and plan to apply for Fair Share you will need to **complete the FACTS tap grant as soon as possible** which is available online <https://nazarethguild.org/tuition-assistance-program/> Please don't hesitate to contact myself or Dawn Manfred if you need assistance with this process.
- Fair share meetings will begin on March 11th through March 25th. You will be contacted this week to set up an appointment time.
- Your financial account must be current to pick up your registration packet on March 11th so please contact me or Dena Hanson if you have questions.
- Your completed registration packet is **due by March 25th**.
- We will begin to fill open spots from our wait list on March 27th. Please be mindful that if your account is not current by this date your spot will not be held.

I hope you have a blessed week!

In Christ's Peace,
Angie Krauss

Message from ELC Administrator Julie Simmons:

Greetings ELC Families:

Well, ol' man winter just will not let his grip go...thank you for continuing to send your child every day bundled up ready to go...while we have indoor recess with bitter wind chill conditions, we will go outside once it warms up a bit!

We are opening registration for the 2019-2020 school year next Monday, March 11, 2019 to our current families. We will distribute registration materials to families on Monday provided your account is current. Thank you for completing your registration paperwork as quickly as possible. When you return your packet, please include a check for next year's registration fees payable now, and a check post-dated for July 1, 2019 for the first month's tuition. We shared the new tuition rates in last week's message, but do not hesitate to ask our front desk for more information. Registration for current families closes Monday, March 25, 2019. Thank you so much!

Don't forget to register for Super Tots! Classes start here at school next Wednesday the 13th. See your child's teacher for more information.

This week we are sharing information with the children about Mardi Gras, Ash Wednesday, and the season of Lent. Look for recipes, prayers, and special art projects to come home related to our upcoming most Holy season. We are so blessed to be part of such a wonderful faith community.

Make it a wonderful week!
Blessings,
Julie

ALL-SCHOOL: Mark your Calendars:

- **Mar 5-7: Accreditation**
- **Mar 6: Ash Wednesday Mass-St. Al's Church @ 12:15PM**
- **Mar 7 Zag Free Dress**
- **Mar 8: Diocesan In-Service- No School/ ELC Closed**
- **Mar 11: Registration packets ready to be pick up**
- **Mar 18-19 Kindergarten meetings for 2019-2020**
- **Mar 21: Lenten Season Mass- St. Al's Church @ 10:15AM**
- **Mar 22: Parent/Teacher Conferences- No School/ELC Open**
- **Mar 25: Registration packets are due by the end of the day**
- **Mar 28: Lenten Reconciliation- 10:00am @ St. Al's Church**

- **April 1-5:** Spring Break- No School/ELC Open
- **April 16:** K-8th Class Picture day
- **April 17:** ELC/Mont Class Picture day
- **April 19:** Good Friday-Stations of the Cross
- **April 22:** Easter Monday Holiday- No School/ ELC Closed
- **April 25:** Easter Season Mass
- **May 3:** K-8 Teacher In-Service- 12pm early dismissal
- **May 3:** Living Rosary
- **May 16:** Marian Mass
- **May 17:** 8th grade Hero Presentations
- **May 27:** Memorial Day Holiday- No School/ELC Closed
- **May 31:** Fund Run-More details to come
- **June 6:** 8th grade Graduation
- **June 12:** Field Day and Talent Show
- **June 13:** Last day of School- Early Dismissal

Important Notes & Reminders:

Blessings Under the Bridge: Wednesday, March 13th from 5:30-7:30pm. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Louise 326-7528 or bicycling4lou@gmail.com

Annie Jr performances: are March 14 and 15 at 7pm at Gonzaga Prep's Kubiak Theater. Tickets are available at: <https://www.showtix4u.com/events/14907>.

5th-8th Grade Softball/Baseball: It is time to register, please log onto Family ID <https://www.familyid.com/st-aloysius-gonzaga-school/2019-baseball-and-softball-registration> Baseball starts on Monday, March 4 inside Garco Gym starting at 5:00 p.m. and Softball starts Tuesday, March 5 inside Garco Gym at 3:15 p.m. Coaches are Coach DeLeon for 7/8 Baseball; Coach Mitson for 5/6 baseball; Coach Cronin for 5/6 and 7/8 softball. Program Coordinator is Therese Thompson. Here comes spring!!!!

Mission Advancement - Friendraising & Fundraising:

- **Auction 2019:** Bills have been paid and numbers have been crunched. The results are in. Our auction net revenue for this year is...Drum roll, please...**\$113,000!!!** THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!

Volunteering:

Volunteer Hours:

Please watch your email for Volunteer Hour Notices to be sent out. Just to clarify:

- ½ Day Kindergarten or Montessori enrollment = 10 volunteer hours per family

- Full time Montessori or KALL-8 enrollment = 20 volunteer hours per family

Volunteer hours are to be completed and submitted no later than **Friday, June 7th**. Any volunteer hours not completed AND submitted by this date will be billed at the rate of \$20 per unfulfilled volunteer hour.

Track it Forward:

If you have not yet logged in to Track it Forward or are in need of your login information, please contact Aleisha Webb at awebb@dioceseofspokane.org. Track it Forward is the only way to track your volunteer hours.

Donations for volunteer hours opportunity:

We are in need of clorox wipes, tissues and hand sanitizer! If you would like to donate any of these items and collect volunteer hours, please follow the Track it Forward link below! If you have any questions, please email Aleisha Webb at awebb@dioceseofspokane.org. Thank you!

<https://www.trackitforward.com/site/378748/event/463474>

Annie concession stand donations:

St. Al's drama production of Annie is coming up on Thursday, March 14 and Friday, March 15 at Gonzaga Prep and we are asking for donations of items that can be sold at the concession stands. The proceeds from all of these donated items will benefit our Drama Program! To sign up to donate, please follow the Track it Forward link below. Please email Aleisha Webb at awebb@dioceseofspokane.org with any questions you may have. Thank you for supporting our Drama Program!

<https://www.trackitforward.com/site/378748/event/463483>

Box Tops:

Thank you to all of the families that brought in Box Tops for the March 1 submission deadline! I will update our total once I receive it.

Did you know Box Tops count for volunteer hours also? 50 Box Tops = 1 volunteer hour
Please record your volunteer hour(s) under the Box Tops category on Track it Forward.
Remember to list your family's name and the grade to credit on every bag or sheet
turned in. I do not record hours for this so make sure you are keeping track. Please
check out the Box Tops website at btf.com for coupons, bonus Box Tops, and
information about the Box Tops app.

Please contact Aleisha Webb at awebb@dioceseofspokane.org with any questions you
may have. Thank you!

You can also download the Box Tops app for coupons and bonus Box Tops offers.

Amazon Smile:

Thank you so much to all of the families that participate in the Amazon Smile Program!
This quarters Amazon Smile donation was \$212.08!

If you have not yet connected your Amazon account to our school, please follow the link
below.

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/91-1433780>

Remember, always start at smile.amazon.com and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of
your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. Thank you for your support!

STAG Pride/Kudos/Prayers:

- Heavenly Father, as we enter the season of Lent help us stay close to Jesus as we deepen our relationship through praying, fasting, and almsgiving.
- During the season of Lent, who is a person that Christ is calling me to experience Jesus' love through my words or actions to them?

Attachments

- Parish Bulletin
- Camp Fire flyer