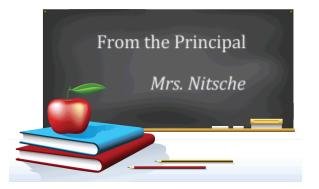
# SAINT CAJETAN SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,



Last Sunday, Pope Francis announced that he is elevating our Archbishop to the College of Cardinals. This is an honor that us, faith-based Chicagoans, should all be proud of! Archbishop Cupich will, undoubtedly, have additional responsibilities but he has assured all of us that his mission will remain unwavered- to go and serve the Lord.

I am sure many of us can relate to Archbishop Cupich's calling. Think of a time when you experienced both the the excitement of advancement and the fear of having more on your plate. Often we get caught up in the craziness of daily life- engaging in work, dropping kids off to practice, going grocery shopping, or assisting with late night homework. When we encounter these challenges and don't remind ourselves of what matters most, we lose sight of our faith, our true calling.

In my last newsletter I spoke of the importance of church attendance and challenged all of our families to improve their faith in one way or another. This time I am challenging each and every one of you to find time this week to stop for a moment of peace. Open your ears and hearts and gain insight on where God is leading you. Is he calling you to strengthen your faith, reach out to someone in need or forgive that person that has caused you pain. Wherever you are being led, go forth with trust and courage, just as Archbishop Cupich will do.

Best regards, Principal Nitsche



# WALKATHON UPGRADE!!!!

We have important news to share.... The Grand Prize for the Walkathon just got upgraded to a 2 night weekend stay at the Sheraton Grand Chicago with a choice of breakfast or lunch at the LB Bistro Patisserie. For every \$50 children raise, they will receive a raffle ticket for this prize. The more money they raise, the better their chance to win! Mrs. Nitsche has raised the bar this year and set a goal of \$22,000. We've got this WARRIORS!!

# **Athletic Committee**

The Athletic Committee is looking for volunteer Gym Coordinators for Girls Volleyball. This involves setting up and taking down the bleachers and net for games on Tuesdays, Saturdays and Sundays (Saturdays and Sundays will already have the bleachers set up for basketball so will only need to take them down on these days). The season begins December and goes through February. The more volunteers, the easier the effort.

If interested please contact: Pat Carroll: <u>scac.president@cajetan.org</u> Noelle Rubino: noellerubino8@gmail.com Eileen Kenah: epkenah@wowway.com

#### All School Mass-

Our second All School Mass will take place October 19th. As always, we encourage our families to come pray with us. Our children's choir will be singing as well.

#### **Aspire Interim Testing**

Students in grade 3rd-8th have begun their Aspire Interim Test for Reading, Math, Science and English. This assessment will give our teachers a snapshot of the areas of need for their class as a whole and individual students. We have scheduled these tests to be taken during their regular classroom content time to minimize instructional minutes lost.

#### Children's Choir

This Saturday, October 15th, our very own children's choir will be leading us in song at the 4:00 Mass. They would love to have you join them in singing the good news of the Lord.



Sunday, October 16th at 9:00AM Mass, our 8<sup>th</sup> graders from our religious education program and parish school will be making a commitment to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Their commitment includes preparation through prayer, study and service.

# **Eucharistic Adoration**

Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> is our monthly day of Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration. Our day will begin with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 8:30AM Mass with Benediction at 7:15PM.

# Fun Lunch

Waldo Cooney's will be sponsoring our Fun Lunch on October 19th. No hot lunch will be served that day.

# **Guided Reading Testing**

Our primary teachers have finished assessing each student's reading level for grades K-3. They are working on developing parent reports which will be out either later this week or early next week.

# **Medical Forms Due**

October 14th marks the deadline for medical forms being turned in. If they are not turned in by this date, your child will be excluded from school on October 17th.

# Registration for Boy's Basketball and Girl's Volleyball - Grades 4-8

Please see attached registration forms and waiver. Tryout dates for 6th, 7th & 8th grades will be announced soon.Complete the registration form and waiver and return with check made payable to St. Cajetan Athletic Committee to: Mark Mahanes (Boys Basketball) or Julie Reese (Girls Volleyball). **Registration and payment due by October 19th.** 

Boys Basketball Registration form & Waiver Girls Volleyball Registration form & Waiver





#### **School Board Meeting**

Our School Board will be meeting on Monday, October 17th at 6:30 in the Parish Center.

#### Science Field Trip

Our 6th- 8th grade students will be participating in a hands-on, science-based field trip on Friday, October 14th. This trip is sponsored by one of our new Science partners, Illinois Chemical Education Foundation. We look forward to our students observing jumping waters and glowing beads.



#### Vendor Fair

This Friday marks the Women's Club Annual Vendor Fair Night. You ladies deserve a night out and what a great way to start your holiday shopping as well! Please see the attached <u>flyer</u> for details.

#### Community News

Kennedy Park Pumpkin Patches Beverly Speaker Series Screening of the Original Image of Divine Mercy Celebrating Prayer in Women's Lives