

## St. Peter's School—Weekly Messenger

September 15, 2017



ECLC children enjoying a recent “Firetruck” Day!

Dear St. Peter's Families,

Yesterday Fr. Steve's homily focused on the Exaltation of the Cross—while we sometimes quietly adore the Cross, we should not be afraid to dare to really put ourselves out there for God. *Jesus made this tremendous sacrifice for us*—giving up his life for our salvation. Every time we make the Sign of the Cross, we should recall and honor his sacrifice for us.

Fr. Steve also spoke to our school children about a recent occurrence on the St. Peter's campus that gives us cause for concern. Last Friday evening, September 8, there were some young people not only inside the construction area but also on the roof of St. Peter's. Fr. Amthor feels that he recognized some of these young people as students or perhaps graduates of St. Peter's School. Fr. Steve explained not only the gravity of such an activity but also the danger. If this happens again, law enforcement will be called. We certainly hope that students associated with our parish and school were not involved, but we also appreciate parents discussing this incident with their older children.

Sixth graders who put faith into action by coordinating a Bake Sale Wednesday had reason to celebrate today, as they collected just over \$517 to help aid victims of the recent hurricanes through Catholic Charities! Next Friday, September 22, is a Jeans Day. The collection that day will also go to Catholic Charities. Thank you, sixth-grade parents and students, for baking and hosting, and thank you to all families for supporting our students' faith into action efforts!

As adults we also have an opportunity to help those in need. As many of you know, Michelle Melland, parishioner and parent of STP Class of 2017 graduates, was diagnosed with ALS six years ago. Fully paralyzed and unable to breathe on her own, Michelle courageously lives a fulfilling life and continues to blog about the books she reads. School parents and STP parishioners Chris and Lori Lewellen are hosting the “Michelle Melland ALSA Walk and Aide Fund Fundraiser,” which will be held next Thursday, September 21, from 7-9 pm at The Well, 7421 Broadway Street, Kansas City, Missouri. Your donation at the door gets beer and well drinks, as well as light apps. School parent/parishioner Peter LaFond and his fiddle will offer entertainment, as well as parishioner and alumni parent Mike Hough's quartet, with a one-time performance! Crane mobiles and strands will be available for purchase.

Congratulations to eighth-grader Saige Wimes! Saige attended a regional identification camp for US soccer last month with over 150 girls in her age group and recently learned that she is one of 28 girls for a 13-state region to be invited to the Olympic Development Program's National Camp in January. Saige is one of two athletes from the state of Missouri to receive this invitation. She also is one of 18 girls from the same region to be asked to the ODP Interregional Event in Florida this Thanksgiving! Way to go, Saige! Parents—we love to share good news about our students, so please contact me with newsworthy info!

Next Tuesday and Wednesday are SCHOOL PICTURE DAYS. The schedule follows:

- Tuesday, September 19—ECLC/PK and Grades 6-8
- Wednesday, September 20—ECLC/PK and Grades K-5

For school pictures, students may opt to wear school uniforms OR dress up. Picture Days are **not** jeans days; however, students may wear nicer shorts, such as khakis.

The Class of 2018 had a great retreat today—we are proud of these young men and women; they are having a terrific start to their eighth-grade year. The main theme of today's retreat was KINDNESS.

Last night's “New Family Social” was a success; we enjoyed getting to know our newest families better. For those of you who received a “Welcome to STP” sign in August—we would happily recycle and reuse if you would like to return your sign to the St. Peter's School office.

For those who are carrying heavy crosses...we pray that we may ease your burdens with helpful deeds and kind words.

On behalf of the St. Peter's School Administration, Faculty, and Staff, I wish you a weekend full of family, friends, faith, and fun!

Sincerely,

Angie Meyer, St. Peter's School