



# St. Michael Catholic School

## News Notes

October 7, 2011



### From the Principal

Greetings from St. Mike's.

On behalf of the entire school, please accept our gratitude for your generosity during the 2011 Service Marathon. We exceeded \$35,000.00!! Of course we are willing to continue to accept donations from you or your family. In fact, a last minute \$5,000.00 check arrived just in time! WOW! "Thanks" to the Knights of Columbus for providing a delicious Pancake Breakfast to benefit our Marathon with just over \$1,000.00 in the 'free will offering' basket! We continue to receive employer matching gifts throughout the year - thanks to those who designate St. Mike's as the recipient with their employers!

Ministry Fair: THIS WEEKEND AFTER MASSES IN ARCHANGELS HALL. Student help is needed. At Wednesday's Children's Mass, students were invited to participate in leading the way to the Ministry Fair. They were trained by Marla Kramer to come to Mass in uniform or spirit wear, sit with their family, to proceed to the Narthex after Communion, and find a banner to carry to Archangels Hall at the direction of Deacon Dick. Look for a small sheet of paper with directions sent home this week. We need 60 students per Mass. I predict a huge turnout of student helpers! Please encourage your Middle School Student to join in the fun and assist the younger students! Thank you!! Don't forget to join everyone in Archangels Hall for the Ministry Fair. You'll see how much this parish really does!!!

Communication: Please visit this link: <http://www.saintmpl.org/families/handbooks-forms-2/> and click on "Communication" to review our revised Communication Policy. An ad hoc committee reviewed and modified the previous policy. It refers to two areas: interpersonal communication, and communication regarding school policy. School policy is established by the School Advisory Board and recommended to the Principal and Pastor for approval. On a personal note, I have greatly appreciated so many folks contacting staff directly for information, clarification, or to share ideas or concerns. It has been my experience that one seemingly small idea often leads to greater improvements or changes at our school. Sometimes, the change can be fairly quick (new car-line procedures after concerns expressed about safety), sometimes changes take more time (a two-year technology plan resulting in SMARTBoards and laptops for students). Thanks to the committee members for their work in creating this revised plan that encourages us to continue to communicate effectively and efficiently.

From the Health Office: In line with our our communication plan regarding head lice, families in one grade level have been notified of one case (treated) of head lice. This short note is obviously to all families to let you know that we will continue to notify families in a grade level that has experienced a confirmed case. Thanks to so many of you for helping keep our kids' welfare in mind when dealing with this issue, which has such a negative social stigma. Lice may be gross, but our kids aren't. Call Joy in our Health Office with any questions!

I can't get Fr. Tom's St. Michael Feast Day Mass message out of my head; "St. Michael didn't work alone. He needed the help of many angels!!" While St. Michael the Archangel, Fr. Tom, and Deacon Roy lead and inspire this wonderful Parish, all of you 'angels' certainly make it great! Thank you for joining them in their devotion to our children.

God bless.

## Children's Mass

Mr. Dean and his 7th grade Religion class are planning the **All School Mass** on Wednesday, October 12th at 8:00AM.

The collection will go to Sister Rose Vu and the poor children of Vietnam.

Church food shelf collection: October  
- Cash for meat purchases.



Faith Community of St.  
Michael School

Please remember these St. Michael School families in your prayers this week October 10, 2011

Mikayla and Emily Drentlaw, Hannah Enck, McKenna Hofschild, Ryan, Colin and Ethan Glynn, Abby, Ben and Sam Jansen, Ellie Jendersee, Lainey and Ava Krekelberg, Lily Miller, Davis Peterson, Jacob Woods

It's often said that time is our most precious gift. To give your time to something or someone else is an unselfish gift that will be returned when you least expect it.

"Love one another as I have loved YOU!"

## Sally Foster & Cookie Dough Fundraiser

Our Sally Foster and cookie dough fundraisers are here! You will find many top-quality items including giftwrap, candies, gifts, and of course cookie dough! Our school earns 40% of each purchase, so be sure to share the catalog with friends and family. Also, the Sally Foster catalog can be viewed online, so out of town friends can take part as well. Items ship directly to the purchaser. It couldn't be any easier! Thank you for supporting our school!

## KIDS ARE AUTHORS

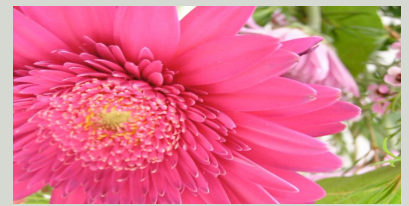
Media Center - Wednesday,  
October 12th - 2:15-3:00 PM

## School Blues Shop - Spirit Wear

The online school store can be accessed with the following link:  
<http://www.stmichaelblues.com/xcr/home.php>

## Free Piano

St. Michael School has a piano that is not being used that we would like to pass on to one of our school families. If you are interested, please call the office at 952-447-2124, as we will give it to the first person that calls. It is an older piano that will need to be given a bit of love, but would be a great starter piano for your child. We love to see our instruments put to use rather than sitting! Enjoy and happy playing!



## Passionately Pink for the Cure

Thursday, October 13, 2011

Bring a \$1.00 to school - **Wear a Pink Shirt**

All donated money will go towards a **CURE for BREAST CANCER**

(October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month)

VOLLEYBALL HOME GAMES	SAT. OCT. 15	THURS. OCT. 27		
	5th gr. 8:00 AM & 9:30 AM	7th gr. 5:00 PM & 7:00 PM		

## Marathon Update

Last call for Marathon collections! Thanks to your generosity we have achieved our goal to raise \$35,000 for our 2011 Service Marathon. The last day for pledges to count for prizes will be Friday, October 7. Please submit the final collections by Friday! Thank you for participating in the Service Marathon!

### THANK YOU from your MARATHON COORDINATORS

Thank you to every member of St. Michael Catholic School, from staff, to parents, and to students for helping make our goal of \$35,000 for our Service Marathon!!! We appreciate everyone who contributed to our Marathon either financially or with your time or both!

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to all the teachers, point people, photographers and money counters that helped make our jobs easier and the MARATHON a success.

Thanks to Teri Benson for coordinating the pancake breakfast. Also, to Corla Niesen and Sandy Haycraft, for directing all the parents to the locations they needed to be and doing miscellaneous marathon related tasks. Also, thanks to Lane for handling all the special requests we needed!

THANK YOU TEACHERS: Laura Schroeder, Nancy Rausch, Michelle Dellwo, Jane Engel, Kelly Rohlfen, Amy Peterson, Laurie Johannes, Bonnie Lurquin, Beth Gillham, Kelley DeGross, Ruth Kemper, Christina TenEyck, Deanna Vochoska, Peg Hofer, Dennis Whalton, Jill Kaczmarek,

Rachel Olmanson, Leah Christensen, Megan Woods, Matt Erdman, Laurie Maxwell, Bill Olson, Luanne Kuboushek, Becky Strupeck, Chad Wentzel, and Brain Lenz  
THANK YOU TO POINT PEOPLE: Jennifer Henry, Meghan Brown, Amy Martell, Jackie Daas, Carol Juell, Kathy Deis, and Peg Sibbet

MONEY COUNTERS: Jackie Daas, Kendra Sexe, Vicki Cirillo, Shauna Ziemkowski, Carol Juell, Heather Drews, Kris Hall, Jo Gabbard, Leslie Meyer, Diane Glaser, Becky Lewis, Linda King, Mr. Fox, Beth Caven and Christine Rooney  
MORNING ASSEMBLY PLANNING: ReNae Wintheiser, Amy Martell, and Shawn Binkowski

THANK YOU TO PHOTOGRAPHERS: Joy Fischer, Becky Krouse, Sue Korkowski, Brittany Krekelberg, Judy Wise, Dewey Koshenina, Jenny Engels, and Kevin Meidl. And others that did not sign up to be a photographer, but who have already supplied me with photos: Renee Neuharth, Peg Sibbet, Rhonda Zweber, Debra Meidl (Please if you took photo send them our way – [Heidi@preslickastudio.com](mailto:Heidi@preslickastudio.com))

Plus the many people who were helping and taking pictures, etc. that we missed.

We appreciate all of you!!!

Thank you,  
Marathon Coordinators: Linda King, Heidi Preslicka and Peg Sibbet



## BOOK FAIR RESULTS



### Scholastic "To the Book Fair And Beyond! Reading Is Out Of This World"

**Total Sales:** \$9,307.66      1,551 Books  
**Teacher Wish List** \$ 830.31      138 Books

**Total books donated back to our Parish Library, Classroom Libraries, Media Center, Children's Hospital Cancer Center & "Our Sister Parish, Our Lady of Perpetual Help" in Chimbote, Peru - \$4,977.70 - 723 Books**

**There is still time to shop & we will get credit for your sale:**

**Shop our Online Book Fair 9/27/11 – 10/17/11**

**<http://www.scholastic.com/schoolbookfairs/2873242>**

**Thank you to everyone who volunteered at the book fair from set up to take down.**

### Special thanks to:

Set-up/Take-down & Event Organizer – **Andrea DiTommaso**

Volunteer Coordinator – **Stef Glenzinski**

ONE for Books Organizer – **Jean Schroeder**

Junior Crew Organizer & Special Events – **Beth Moen**

Decorations – **Karen Sher, Amy Martell & Diane Metcalfe**



# Rogers Family Coffee Fundraising Information for St. Michael 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class:

**50% Profit** – We earn 50% profit margin on each bag of our coffee sold

**Roger's Coffee is Socially and Environmentally Responsible** – The Rogers Family Company's mission is to provide extraordinary coffee at great prices while helping people and the environment through our Community Aid program. Through this program, the Rogers have built schools, built worker housing, provided children's meal programs, established medical clinics, and encouraged shade grown and organic coffee farming in their source coffee communities. A portion of each purchase of the Rogers Family Company products goes toward funding these programs. So not only will you get to enjoy delicious, gourmet coffee, but you will be making a difference with every purchase.



## **Breakfast Blend - Coffee Characteristics**

Our most popular Central and South American beans perfectly blended to yield a delicious, satisfying coffee to look forward to in the morning.



## **French Roast - Coffee Characteristics**

We take a blend of fine coffees from Central and South America and roast it very dark, until the flavor oils rise to surface of the bean. A coffee with an intense, smoky flavor...not for the faint of heart!



## **Decaf. Colombian Supremo - Coffee Characteristics**

Colombian is one of the finest and perhaps most popular coffees in the world - a recognized name synonymous with quality coffee. Our decaffeinated, 100% Colombian...



## Academy of Holy Angels "Fall Fun Run"

**Who:** AHA Fall Fun Run is open to students in all area grade and middle schools. It is a great way to ramp up for “the mile” run for gym class and to condition for winter activities!

**What:** AHA Fall Fun Run is a youth cross-country meet with races set up for both boys and girls in grades K-8. AHA cross-country student-athletes will be assisting with the event.

**When:** Thursday, October 20, first day of teacher convention break (also known as MEA). See schedule below for times.

**Where:** Academy of Holy Angels, 6600 Nicollet Avenue S., Richfield – start and finish line located in the backfield area to the west of the main parking lot.

**Why:** Running can be a lot of fun. Run with friends; race for individual and school team ribbons; help your team win the championship trophy; and develop positive lifelong exercise habits.

**How much:** \$5.00 per student, parents--no charge.

**Contact:** AHA Cross Country Running Coach Jason Altman at [altma014@umn.edu](mailto:altma014@umn.edu) if you have questions.

### Meet Schedule:

<b>Grade in School</b>	<b>Division:</b>	<b>X-C Distance</b>	<b>Race Time</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> grade and younger	Primary	1K (0.6 miles)	10:00 AM
3 <sup>rd</sup> grade and 4 <sup>th</sup> grade	Bantam	1K (0.6 miles)	10:20 AM
5 <sup>th</sup> grade and 6 <sup>th</sup> grade	Midget	2K (1.2 miles)	10:40 AM
7 <sup>th</sup> grade and 8 <sup>th</sup> grade	Youth	2K (1.2 miles)	11:00 AM
Family Race	All	2K (1.2 miles)	11:20 AM

**(Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. and ends at 10:30 a.m. Rain or Shine!!!)**

**Awards:** Medals awarded to the first 3 boy and girl finishers in each race; Ribbons awarded to all participants in every race.

**Mini-Clinics:** Guest speakers will offer training between races on topics like appropriate shoe selection, nutrition, life as an “elite” distance runner, and “ultra” marathoning.

*School scoring the best at the finish line brings home a trophy!*