



St. Bernadette School
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November 30, 2016

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Words cannot convey my deepest gratitude to Father Tony and Staff and each of you for your many prayers, good wishes, beautiful cards and delightful presence at the celebration of my Diamond Jubilee as a Sister of St. Joseph. I have been deeply touched by your goodness and am blessed by your presence in my life. My 40 years at St. Bernadette School have been a gift for which I am extremely grateful. My special thanks to all our wonderful bakers who sent in thousands of delicious homemade cookies. Your children enjoyed the ones left over on Monday. Many, many thanks!

It was wonderful to see so many families come for our Thanksgiving breakfasts. We collected \$338 for the Homeless Children Fund. We will have a \$2 U.F.O. day on Wednesday, November 30. The money collected that day will also go to the homeless children in Pittsburgh. Special thanks to the 9th grade moms and 9th grade girls who made the delicious waffles. We all enjoyed them! Thanks to all those who purchased Sarris Candy. Our Sarris candy sale took in \$5,396. Thanks goes to Jen DiPalma for chairing the Scholastic Book Fair; it took in \$1,974. Thanks also to the Purse Bingo chairs Kim Yorio, Katie Fisher, Linda Valentine, and Erin Bozicevic; the bingo made a profit of \$5,103. Thank you to everyone who participated.

The Fundraising Statement for the first eight months (April 1 – November 30) will be sent home next week. The statement is not a bill to be paid at this time as there are 4 more months to accumulate money for your fundraising fee.

Are your children growing so quickly that they need new uniforms? Before you purchase any new items, I encourage you to go through the “gently used” school shorts and pants, short and long-sleeved polo shirts and gym sweatshirts. If you find something you can use, please leave a small donation at the office.

During Catholic Schools Week in January, students will be wearing crazy socks, crazy hats, and favorite team jerseys. These may be good ideas to get your children as Christmas gifts.

There are many ways to celebrate the season here at St. Bernadette School. Our children’s Cantor Choir will present their Christmas pageant at 4:00 p.m. in the Church on Sunday, December 11. On Wednesday, December 14, our school band will perform their Christmas concert in the gym at 7:00 p.m. The school children will present “Advent Candles Christmas Joy” on Wednesday, December 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. Try not to miss these wonderful Christmas events.

Throughout this prayerful time of Advent, may we prepare our hearts for the coming of our Savior.

Blessings during this Advent/Christmas season,

Sister Carol Arch, C.S.J.
Principal

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