



St. Gregory the Great Catholic School

GUARDIAN NEWS



Phone: (858) 397-1290

Email: office@stggcs.org

Website: www.stggcs.org

Virtue of the Week: *Prayerfulness*



Principal's Message

Dear Parents,
 The month of October is a time of devotion to Mary, Our Blessed Mother. It is a time to place our special intentions before her and to honor her request to St. Bernadette at Lourdes, to pray the Rosary. Pope John Paul II had great devotion to the Blessed Mother and on October 16, 2002, the 24th Anniversary of his election as Pontiff, he wrote the Apostolic Letter *Rosarium Virginis Mariae* (the Rosary of the Virgin Mary). This document presents the Rosary as an outstanding way "to contemplate the face and mysteries of Christ." At that time Pope John Paul added five additional to the mysteries to the existing fifteen, calling these mysteries the Luminous Mysteries. During this month of October, perhaps your family can decide on a special intention, and pray a decade of the rosary together daily, asking the Blessed Mother to intercede for this intention. Resources to support your family in praying the Rosary can be found at <http://www.ainglkiss.com/rosary4kids/> and <http://www.catholic-kids.com/rosary.htm>
 Our students will be praying and studying the Rosary throughout the month of October. Encourage them to share this beautiful prayer with you.

On a completely different note, I encourage you to consider incorporating the use of Scrip gift cards in your weekly shopping routine. Check out the information on *The Backpage* about ordering Scrip online: this program does not cost anything more that you already spend, but earns Free money for our school. All funds earned are designated toward the development of technology at STGGCS.
 Blessings. Mrs. O'Connell

What I Love about St. Gregory the Catholic School



During the September PTSG meeting, parents were asked to respond to this prompt. Check this space each week to read their comments:

"The staff is wonderful, the community of parents who care, and the communication."

PTSG Executive Board Update!

We are so grateful to all who have stepped forward as Committee Leaders for the many events scheduled for our school community this year. Our leaders below need your help in planning and organizing these events. Thank you for your stewardship!

Committee Leaders

- Father/Daughter Dance.....Lynn Batista
- Book FairWE NEED A LEADER**
- Back to School Picnic.....Danielle & Jim Scelfo
- Field Day.....Jessica Pearson
- Hot Lunch Program.....Courtney Brickner
Brenda O'Leary
- Hot Lunch Stock.....Ann Grissom
- Hot Lunch Servers Leader.....Devon Short
- Jog a thon.....Kathy Maisano
- Scrip.....Lynn Batista
- Grandparents Day.....Marilou Pennington
Sarah Briere
- Box Tops/Education Labels....Celia Cresci
Martha Morris
- Jolly Gift Boutique.....Kathy Maisano
- Guardian Family 2011.....Jennifer Alexander
- Guardian Family 2012.....Kara Engler
Megan Linaugh
- Office Angel.....Gina Aspeytia
- Spaghetti Dinners.....Gina Duggan
Martha Morris
Laryna Rodriguez
- Restaurant Nights.....Gina Callipari
- Uniform Sales.....Sara Briere
Betsy McKewon
- 4th of July Parade.....Susan Webster



**STGGCS Dads' Softball Team.
Go Guardian Dads!**

Articles for the Guardian News must be sent to newsletter@stggcs.org no later than 12:30 P.M. on the Wednesday prior to the week of publication.



THE BACKPAGE

Phone: (858) 397-1290

Email: office@stggcs.org

Website: www.stggcs.org

Used Uniform Sale

A Used Uniform Sale is scheduled for Tuesday, October 25th. If you have uniforms you wish **to donate** please drop them off in the office in the designated bin. Attach a paper with the family name and the word "DONATE" clearly written on the paper.

Parents who wish **to sell** their uniforms should attach an envelope to the uniform item, which displays the family name, family number and the price range for the uniform item. These uniforms should also be placed in the designated bin in the office. Uniform items which do not sell will automatically be donated to the school and sold at the next sale later in the school year.

All uniform items should be free of stains, holes, and/or fading and should be in good general condition

Please contact Sarah Briere (858) 880-9277 or Betsy McKewon (858) 578-9635 with any questions.

Sports Center

JV Girls Volleyball practices are scheduled for Tuesdays & Thursdays from 2:45 to 4 P.M. each week. Our girls play Holy Trinity at Coast Sports Plex on Oct. 8 at 3P.M. **GO GUARDIANS!**

Contact our Athletic Director, Mr. Swan, with any questions regarding after school sports

(mswan@stggcs.org) Visit Mr. Swan's website at www.classroomwebsites.com/mswan. Password is available in your classroom handbook.

Women's Retreat: October 14-16, 2011

El Carmelo Retreat House is the perfect setting for a weekend away to get recharged! This is a relaxing, peaceful retreat in the foothills of the San Bernardino Mountains. Meals are buffet style in a dining room with full view of the mountains. There are three new dynamic Carmelite priests to conduct the weekend. For inquiries & reservations, please call Terry Stevens at 858 566-5889.

Earn FREE CASH for STGGCS

Shop with Scrip!

Order your scrip gift cards online

each week by 8 A.M. on Tuesday at

www.shopwithscrip.com. The school office finalizes your order and gift cards are available for pick-up on Friday afternoon of that week. A percentage of each gift card purchase comes to our school. Gift cards are same as cash. A complete listing of vendors is available

www.shopwithscrip.com. Payment at pick-up. Checks payable to STGGCS please. Write "Scrip" on memo. **Scrip gift cards are also available in the school office.**



Week-at-a-Glance

Monday 10/3	7:45 Morning Assembly Phase II Construction begins
Tuesday 10/4	7:45 Morning Assembly
Wednesday 10/5	Picture Day! Bring Your Smile!
Thursday 10/6	7:45 A.M. Morning Assembly Gr. 5 Miss Jones (School Counselor)
Thursday 10/6	Ministry of Moms Meeting @ Parish Hall 9:30-11:30 –All moms invited
Friday 10/7	Feast Of Our Lady of the Rosary 10:30 A.M Liturgy (School) Minimum Day-11:45 Dismissal Extended Daycare Provided
Saturday 10/8	Girls' JV Volleyball vs. Holy Trinity @ Coast Sports Complex 1:15

Coming Soon!

Oct. 10-19	ITBS Standardized Assessment
Oct. 10	Progress Report I
Oct. 20	School Board Mtg. @ 6 P.M.
Oct. 21	8 A.M. Liturgy @ Parish
Oct. 25	Used Uniform Sale

Volunteer at STGGCS

Check out numerous opportunities to share your gifts of time and talent in support of STGGCS.

Sign up to volunteer at www.signupgenius.com.

Search for email volunteer@stggcs.org for volunteer opportunities. Access the Sign Up Genius site directly by clicking on the button at www.stggcs.org Home Page.

Register for eScrip!

Click on the eScrip icon on the Support Your School page on the school website. Follow the prompts and insert the **School ID 136559297**. This one-time registration of your Vons card and credit card(s) ensures that a percentage of your purchases at participating merchants goes directly to our school.



Clip Box Tops!

Check your cereal, cake mix, ziplock baggies, and many more products and clip the box tops. Your child is a box top detective and will check with you before clipping. Send your box tops to school. Each box top is worth 10 cents

Contact the school office with any questions.