



St. Gregory the Great Catholic School

GUARDIAN NEWS



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Virtue of the Week: *Integrity*

Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

The spiritual formation and academic success of our students flourish when home and school work together as partners in education. Recognizing and supporting you in your role as the primary educators of your child, St. Gregory the Great Catholic School is happy to provide you with the award-winning family newsletter *At Home with Our Faith*.

This wonderful resource supports parents in passing on spirituality and a living faith to their children. You will receive 9 monthly newsletters this year (first edition is enclosed in your Monday Messenger) and our hope is that you will find resources that connect you with the Catholic faith, inform on family living, and serve as conversation starters about our faith in your home.

Additional resources from *At Home with Our Faith* can be accessed online at <http://homefaith.wordpress.com>. Sign up for weekly emails titled "*Weekly Wisdom for Busy Parents*". Enter your email address and begin receiving FREE weekly doses of parental inspiration. You'll receive an email notice asking you to verify that you've signed up.

We hope you enjoy this newsletter and find it to be a worthwhile resource for your family's faith and spiritual journey.

Your feedback is very much appreciated and assists us in assisting you.

Blessings,

Mrs. O'Connell, Faculty & Staff



PTSG Executive Board Update!

Thank you to all who attended our first PTSG meeting of the year! Your commitment is one reason St. Gregory the Great Catholic School is a fabulous environment for our children. Items discussed include the role of PTSG and how it differs from PTA/PTO organizations and the School Board; yearly PTSG events; the T.H.I.N.K. Tank which solicits **T**houghts, **H**elp, **I**nquiry, **N**eeds and **K**udos from school families; volunteer opportunities; the purpose of and thoughts behind the new Guardian Newsletter; the PTSG proposed budget; and what Dad's Club is all about. Mrs. O'Connell presented updates and new information about construction, curriculum and a pilot project to use e-readers for textbooks. Despite the wealth of topics covered that evening, we adjourned on time! A big "Thank You" goes out to 4th Grade parents for providing refreshments, which encouraged a lot of fellowship! Minutes from the meeting will soon be available in the office.

Borrowing from the success at other Catholic schools, The PTSG Executive Board decided to offer a "relaxed dress" incentive. While we recognize wearing the uniform is a source of pride, parents who attended the meeting had the option of sending their children to school on Friday in modest, non-uniform attire. We did this to encourage as many parents as possible to join us and, by the size of the crowd, we succeeded. We are open to additional ideas to ensure continued good attendance. The T.H.I.N.K. Tank in the office awaits your great suggestions!

In Service, and Stewardship,
Your PTSG Executive Board

Articles for the Guardian News must be received in the school office (office@stggcs.org)
no later than 2:30 P.M. on the Wednesday prior to the week of publication.



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Student Council 2011-2012

Meghan Abrom (President); Sean Van de Grift (Vice President); Alainna Armas (Secretary); Emma Ferguson (Treasurer); Gianna Callipari (Comm. Safety); Robert Pearson (Comm. Ecology); Peter Cresci (Comm. School Spirit); Derek Martin (Comm. Religious Affairs); Chloe Torrence (Class Rep. Gr. 6 & 1); Franchesca Garcia (Class Rep. 5 & K); Katie Chicca (Class Rep. 4 & 2); Lauren McKittrick (Class Rep. Gr. 3)

Student Council Moderators: Mrs. Miller, assisted by Miss Carter and Miss Lid.

Student Council hosted their first Popsicle Sale last week. Through the generous support of the student body, the treasurer is happy to report a profit of \$45. This money will be used to purchase a gavel for Student Council meetings. Thank you for your support!

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

Sports Center

JV Girls Volleyball practices are scheduled for Tuesdays & Thursdays from 2:45 from 2:45 to 4 P.M. each week. Our girls play OLG at Cathedral Catholic HS on Oct. 1 at 3 P.M.

GO GUARDIANS!

Contact our Athletic Director, Mr. Swan, with any questions regarding after school sports (mswan@stggcs.org)

Earn FREE CASH for STGGCS

Shop with Scrip!

Order your scrip gift cards online 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 – 9/26	7:45 Morning Assembly
Tuesday- 9/27	7:45 Morning Assembly 6-8 P.M. Scout Meeting
Wednesday- 9/28	3 P.M. Faculty Meeting 6-8 P.M. Scout Meeting
Thursday- 9/29	8 A.M. Liturgy (Parish Church) 7:45A.M. All meet outside church
Friday- 9/30	Spaghetti Dinner (5:30 & 6:30 seating) Hosted by Faculty & Staff at St. Gregory the Great Parish Hall

Coming Soon!

Oct. 1	9 A.M. Fall Festival Booth Set-Up 3 P.M. Girls' JV Volleyball; STGGCS v. Our Lady of Grace @ Cathedral Catholic H.S.
Oct. 2	St. Gregory the Great Fall Festival 11 A.M.-3 P.M. @ School
Oct. 3	Phase II Construction begins
Oct. 5	School Picture Day – Students in uniform (Pictures for Yearbook)
Oct. 7	10:30 A.M. Liturgy (School) Minimum Day- 11:45 A.M. Dismissal Extended Daycare provided 12:30 Faculty/Staff Meeting

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. Last year our school earned \$597 in box tops.

Contact the school office with any questions.