

**Children's Gift Shop**

We will again host the children's gift shop after the Christmas Program December 6th. We need **lots** of items to sell. Please consider sending in gently used, or new items that we may sell in the shop. Our students may purchase gifts for \$1.00 and under for their parents, or siblings. The proceeds from the sale will be used to fund Catholic Schools Week activities.

**Christmas Program**

The school Christmas Program will be December 6th @6:30 PM in our gymnasium. Students in Jr. Kindergarten -5th Grade will be in the program. The students are to wear all solid black clothing: black sweater or turtle neck or long sleeve shirt with black skirt or pants or black dress, dark shoes & black socks or tights. We hope to see all of you there!

**Gallagher Charitable Society**

St. A is hosting the Gallagher Charitable Society Warm Clothes & Coat Drive this year. We would greatly appreciate any physical help, or donations of 1/2 gallons of milk or juice. Attached to this newsletter is a sign up sheet to help so please consider helping with this wonderful service opportunity!

**Thanksgiving Spelling Bee**

Congratulations to our 2017 Thanksgiving Bee Winners:

- 1st Place- Deigo Padron
- 2nd Place- Isaac Messman
- 3rd Place- Elise Donnelly

**INDIANS UPDATE**

The St. A boys basketball team traveled to Lafayette to kick off their season with the St Lawrence Tournament. They fell to both St Boniface and St Lawrence, but showed improvement throughout the day. Great job boys!

A huge thank you to our volunteer coaches for boys & girls basketball & cheerleading: Kerry Mathew, Jocelyn Ventrello, Kevin Benner, Ava Kosiba, Mike Drone, Tom Fleming, and Marie Oliver.

**Joyous Advent to All**

This time of year ALL of us become consumed by the season. This entails attending church services, shopping for food and countless gifts, cooking for a number of people, traveling to and fro, and so forth. I am sure that is only scratching the surface of what many of you have to do.

Lost in the melee of the season is the reason for it all. Take time, pause, reflect, and celebrate ALL of your blessings including your wonderful children that you are kind enough to share with us here at St. A. They are each miracles, and we love them each unconditionally.

On behalf of the entire staff of St. A. I wish to extend to ALL of our school and parish families a joyous and blessed Advent season! God bless....

-W. Bruce Schooler

**COMING SOON!****December**

- 1- Mass Grade 5
- 5-Principals Meeting 9:00-11:00 am  
Church Basemen  
-PFA Meeting 6:30 PM
- 6- Music Program 6:30 PM, Parish  
Penance and First Reconciliation
- 8- Mass Grade 4, St. A Second  
Grade First Reconciliation after  
Mass
- 11- Boys Basketball vs. Hebron 5PM
- 14- Grades 3, 4, 5 Field Trip to Star  
Plaza for the Nutcracker  
-Newsletter
- 15- Mass Grade 3
- 20 -Classroom Christmas Parties  
2:00 PM, End of Semester
- 21- Jan. 2- Christmas Vacation

**Thank You!!**

A big thank you is extended to Mrs. Anne Dumas for ALL of her hard work aimed at getting new IPADS up and running and into the hands of students.



## SAS BUCK\$\$

We wanted to help you get ready for all your Black Friday and Holiday Shopping this year while earning money for the school and your tuition discount! Don't miss 24 hours of incredible ScripNow & Reload bonuses from dozens of your favorite retailers. As always, our list of retailers is TOP SECRET, so you'll have to wait until the promotion begins to see who's participating.

To participate, you just need a ShopWithScrip account, and you must be able to login to place online orders. Think about signing up for PrestoPay, our online payment system. Sign up ASAP if you haven't already so you can receive your ScripNow eCards and add funds using ReloadNow in minutes, or use Reload to add funds overnight! Plus, with PrestoPay you can place your Thank-Scrip-ing Day order with MyScripWallet, our mobile scrip experience.

Contact Marie Oliver at [219-964-8567](tel:219-964-8567) with questions.

## Spirit Wear

We still have tumblers, coffee mugs and water bottle available for sell in the school office.

## VISION

St. Augustine School will be a caring educational community that has a strong Catholic identity and enthusiasm for learning and teaching.

## 50/50

The next 50/50 drawing will be Friday, December 15th. The cost is \$30 for six months and \$60 for a year. Each month four people win cash; \$100.00, \$75.00, \$50.00, or \$25.00.

**WE NEED ADDITIONAL MEMBERS. PLEASE JOIN TODAY!!**

## Popcorn Poppers

List is the schedule for November and December Friday popcorn poppers. Please call the school office to volunteer.

December 1st- Pat Weigand

December 8th- Bill & Dianne Hollerman

December 15- Donna Plecas

January 5- The Hollerman's

January 12- Open, Please Volunteer

January 19- Open, Please Volunteer

January 26- Open, Please Volunteer

## Playground and Lunch Helpers

We are looking for volunteers for playground and lunch helpers in December. Please contact the school office @ 866-5480 if you available to help.

## Box Tops for Education

The box tops submission contest will continue on a by monthly bases. A gift card will be awarded in the month of November, January, and March. Ten Box Tops are good for one entry. There is no limit on how many entries a student can have. The more box tops submitted the more chances of winning. This is an ongoing fundraiser. Please sign up online at [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com) for sweepstakes and bonuses for additional box tops deposited in our school account. We have earned \$423.50 this school year. Our goal is \$1,200.00



## MISSION

The mission of the St. Augustine School family is to provide a quality Catholic education, which prepares each child to be a successful, productive, and loving human being. St. Augustine School accomplishes this by developing Catholic values in each student and providing academic excellence through a core curriculum strong in the basic skills while recognizing each student's ability and striving to inspire an enthusiasm for life long learning.