

Good afternoon,

We have the following events coming up this week and in the near future:

- **Tonight, August 30 ~ 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent meeting at 5:30 P.M.** in the FLC
- **Friday, August 31 ~ Jeans Day for \$1.** Students must pay \$1 if they want to wear blue jeans. They may wear this year's spirit shirt or their uniform polo with the jeans.
- **Friday, August 31 ~ our first Ice Cream Sale** of the school year! All products will be \$1.
- **Friday, August 31 ~ your signed Handbook Acknowledgement forms are due** in the Front Office. Please send them to school with your youngest student.
- **Friday, August 31 through Sunday, September 2 ~ Knights of Columbus Rib sale**
- **Monday, September 3 ~ No School – Happy Labor Day!**
- **Tuesday, September 4 ~ Cub Scouts** in the downstairs classrooms at **6 P.M.**
- **Thursday, September 6 ~ Fall Festival Committee meeting at 6:30 P.M.** in the Library
- **Sunday, September 9 ~ School Mass at 9 A.M.** Each month, our school family has been invited to join the St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Community at Mass. This school year, we will usually attend the 9 A.M. Mass on the second weekend of the month. Our students will be the lectors, ministers of hospitality and choir for these Masses. We ask our students to please attend in their Mass day uniform.

Watch your email inbox for our first edition of the **2018-2019 Lion's Roar**. Mr. Eddie is busy loading it up with pictures from the first few days of school. It should be coming your way on **September 7<sup>th</sup>**!

There are only a few times during the year that the **Knights of Columbus Holy Smokers** fire up their grills and sell their **mouth-watering ribs ~ and this is one of those weekends!!!** If you haven't tried their ribs, you have really been missing out! The racks of ribs average 3-4 pounds and sell for \$18. To reserve a rack or two (or three or four!), call **Tony Butera** at **832-279-7072**. I highly recommend reserving your order because the last couple of times the Holy Smokers were smoking, they sold out before Sunday morning! The ribs are available Friday, August 31, from 1-5 P.M., Saturday, September 1, from 1-7 P.M., and after the Masses on Sunday, September 2 until they are sold out.

The yearly **Festival of Ministries** will be held in the FLC on **September 8 & 9**. You can renew your commitment to a ministry and/or sign up for a new one at this weekend event.

All new and returning **Altar Servers** and **MCs** are required to attend **refresher training** on Saturday, **September 15**, from **9 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.** All **parents** are required to **attend the first 45 minutes** for an information meeting. To qualify as an altar server, you must be in at least the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and have made your 1<sup>st</sup> Communion. Please contact **Vickie VanGordon** at **832-496-9876** with any questions.

Our counselor, Mrs. Laura Valladares, would like to share another Love and Logic topic with you. It is labeled, "The key to helping underachieving kids is not punishment."  
<https://www.loveandlogic.com/download/weekly-tips/CF-Born-to-learn.mp3>

Mr. Eddie Greene has created a SignUpGenius form if you would like to give our teachers a duty-free lunch. You must be VIRTUS certified and the hours you help will count towards your Family Involvement Commitment (FIC) hours. Please visit the SMMCS website for the link and, under "Parents," click on "Volunteer" or you can click on the link here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094ea9aa2aa2f58-volunteer2>  
Our teachers thank you from the bottom of their hearts!

Our BoxTops moms have been busy! With the help of some extra special and dedicated volunteers, they were able to enter almost **\$800** worth of **Coke product codes** into the system by the deadline for the double points!!! A huge thank you to them and their helpers!

We have added another great way for you to support the school just by doing your normal shopping!

- Check out the attached flyer about bonus **Box Tops for Education** from **HEB** beginning on **September 5!** Plus, don't forget about
- **Kellogg** and **Scholastic Books** are partnering up to offer free books, just for purchasing participating Kellogg's products. The program runs through **September 30, 2018** and there is a limit of 10 books per participant. Click [https://www.kelloggsfamilyrewards.com/en\\_US/promotions/feeding-reading.html?version=VERSION1\\_K1&PID=52418023&utm\\_source=newsletter060118&utm\\_medium=newsletter&utm\\_term=DW\\_TOT\\_NBS\\_052418\\_103018\\_BTS>Welcome\\_get\\_details\\_here\\_text\\_link&utm\\_campaign=MLS\\_BTS\\_WELCOME\\_RECEIPT\\_PREMEMBER\\_TRIGGER\\_UPDATES](https://www.kelloggsfamilyrewards.com/en_US/promotions/feeding-reading.html?version=VERSION1_K1&PID=52418023&utm_source=newsletter060118&utm_medium=newsletter&utm_term=DW_TOT_NBS_052418_103018_BTS>Welcome_get_details_here_text_link&utm_campaign=MLS_BTS_WELCOME_RECEIPT_PREMEMBER_TRIGGER_UPDATES) for all of the information. You can keep the books for your home, or donate them to your student's teacher for the classroom libraries. As far as I can tell, you can purchase the Kellogg products from any store.
- **Box Tops for Education** will donate \$5 to our school when you buy 5 participating products from **Walmart** and you scan your receipt using the Box Tops Bonus app. Find out more information at <https://www.boxtops4education.com/earn/in-store-offers>. This offer ends **09/10/18**.

I have coupons from Payless Shoe Source at the front desk that are good until 12/31/18. You save 20% of your entire transaction whether you are in-store or shopping online at payless.com. Stop by and pick one up!

**Save the Dates:**

- September 18 ~ Spirit Night at Chick-fil-A in Humble – more info to follow
- September 22 ~ PTO Family Fun Night Block Party (as in Legos & Duplos!!!)

Check the [www.smmcs.org](http://www.smmcs.org) website calendar for up-to-the-minute information about all of our school events! Have a safe and happy long weekend!