



Tuesday Thoughts

Ascension School

Nov. 2, 2010

Phone: 451-2535

“In our schools, Hope is believing in tomorrow—going beyond what we see because we have learned to see with our hearts.”

-from *Eight Habits of the Heart* by Clinton L. Taulbert

Dear Parents,

Congratulations to the Girls' B Volleyball Team who won the City Championships this past Saturday in some intense games against St. Rita! Well done, Girls! Our 6-8 Grade Quick Recall Team heads into the next round of tournament play on Thursday against St. James at St. James. We wish them well!

Please keep our Second Graders in your prayers as they complete the last weeks before Reconciliation. They will make this sacrament on Saturday, November 13 at 2:00 P.M.

We welcomed 15 families during Open House and gave tours through the school for them to see all that is going on at Ascension! We had the Book Fair, classroom plays, *Spooktacular*, and some interesting weather during these days! Our visitors had some very complimentary things to say about the level of instruction and the programs we are able to provide for our students! The parents and School Board tour guides were great because they are able to answer many of the questions about activities outside the school day. Please share the good things going on at Ascension with friends and neighbors! You are the best advertising we have!

Included in this week's Tuesday Thoughts is information about Reach Alert. This is an emergency system we are going to implement but needs your input in order to activate your contact. Please read the information carefully and complete the steps. We will be able to keep you informed about the safety of your children if there is an emergency at school. We look forward to improving our communication with you with this tool.

Next week on November 10-11, we welcome the Accreditation Team from the Archdiocese of Louisville. They will be meeting with a variety of groups and will be reviewing our programs. We know there are a lot of good things going on at Ascension and we are excited to share those with others. We also know there are areas in which we can grow and this team will help clarify these and give us some specific areas on which we can work.

PowerSchool

If you cannot access this, please contact Mike Tully at Michael.Tully@louisvilleky.gov.

We have a few more weeks before Operation Blanket Louisville if you have clean, slightly used blankets you would like to donate. We would be happy to include those in the pick-up on November 18 with ones the students made at the opening retreat. You may bring them to the school office at any time.

The High School Placement Test will be administered on December 11, 2010 at all Archdiocesan Catholic High Schools from 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM. Students should bring two #2 pencils and \$10 to the testing site. The 8th grade teacher will provide the testing code and additional information to the students. This is the only achievement test the 8th graders will take so this is an opportunity to get an achievement score for your students this last year in elementary school.

Remember to mark your calendar for November 16 and join us for breakfast! Mr. Grider is cooking and we always enjoy his breakfasts! Watch Tuesday Thoughts for details on the menu.

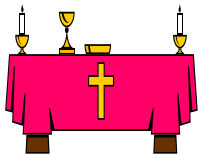
God bless your week!

Mary Jo Ellis
Principal



Please note the following upcoming dates:

- Nov 10-11 Accreditation site visit
- Nov 13 2:00 First Reconciliation
- 7:00 P.M. Fall Festival sponsored by Athletics
- Nov 16 7:00 A.M. Breakfast in the cafeteria
- Nov 23 1:15 P.M. Mass and award recognition for the 1st trimester. Report cards go home today.
- Nov 24 No School! Enjoy your Thanksgiving!
- Dec 12 Breakfast with Santa after the 10:30 Mass



Altar Servers:

Saturday, Nov. 6—5:30
Lindsey Jackel, Matt
Kinney, Alexis Stratman

Sunday, Nov. 7—8:30
Alan Pascua

Sunday, Nov. 7—10:30
Chase & Benjamin, Abigail
Westenhofer

FOR ANY COACHES OR SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS, as required by the Archdiocese & CSAA Offices, if you have regular contact with students or athletes you **must attend one** of these workshops. **SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING PROGRAM SCHEDULE OF WORKSHOPS**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	Street	Room
11/03/10	6:30 P.M.	St. Aloysius	122 Mt. Mercy Drive	Fr. Dickman Center
11/11/10	6:30 P.M.	St. Lawrence	1925 Lewiston Dr	Community Rm.
11/15/10	6:30 P.M.	St. Michael	3705 Stone Lakes Dr.	Griner Hall
11/18/10	6:30 P.M.	St. Raphael	2131 Lancashire Ave.	Café.

PARENTS: The Safe Environment Workshop, school volunteer form and background check needs to be filled out to be able to help with classroom activities. These are requests from the Archdiocese and our school policy if you are going to have direct contact with the students such as **being present in the classroom for a party, to supervise a classroom for the teacher appreciation luncheon in May or to chaperone a field trip.** This is NOT necessary to just drop off treats in the office or to work on projects at home.

Dear Parents,

Ascension has made a special arrangement with Reach Alert to provide an emergency alert system for our school. We are encouraging all of our school families to register for this service – particularly faculty and parents. With Reach Alert, we can immediately advise you of breaking, time sensitive information. If it is snowing and classes are canceled, we will send an alert to your cell phone, home phone, or email within seconds. If there is an emergency at school (power outage, broken water line, or lock-down), we can communicate with you and keep you in the loop. Should we have another weather alert as we did last week, we can alert you that your children are safe and inform you of the measures we have taken.

You decide how you want to receive your alerts: cell phone text message, voice advisories, and/or email. All you need to do is go to www.reachalert.com and register for the system. Just follow the prompts and enter Ascension when asked which network you want to join. Once you begin typing Ascension, the name will appear in the dropdown listing; simply click on our name and continue with the registration. The entire process should take about 60 seconds. If you request cell phone text messages, Reach Alert will send your phone a text message with a four digit validation code. Reach Alert is making sure your text message will be successfully delivered. When you receive the four digit number, simply enter this number on the registration screen and then click on the word VALIDATE. The process is very simple.

We will use the system for primarily, though not necessarily, emergency messages. We may remind you of 1st trimester recognition, or that a bus breakdown will delay the arrival of your child after school. We may remind you about PTO meetings and other school activities. If we release students early, we can send a reminder to you. **HOWEVER, NONE OF THIS WILL WORK IF YOU DON'T TAKE A MINUTE TO REGISTER.** You should enter the name of your child we use most frequently at school.

If you have any questions, or cannot set up your account, please feel free to call the customer account people at Reach Alert. Their contact information is listed below.

Ken Weber
COO – Reach Alert
P.O. Box 17491
Louisville, KY 40217
(877) 307-9313
(502) 235-9697 (cell)

PARENTS CORNER

Parents, remember the handbook states as of Nov. 1st, students may no longer wear shorts only on the days they have PE..



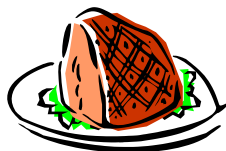
COFFMAN'S UNIFORMS:

School uniforms and Sweats. with monograms may be purchased at Coffman's located 5324 Bardstown Rd in the Piccadilly Plaza behind Ryan's Steakhouse. Coffman's has some items in stock with the original logo which students may wear. [The new logo is ready and in stock.](#) You may call 491-7714 to place an order or to see if what you need is in stock. Store hours: Mon-Fri 10:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M., Sat. 9-1, closed on Sundays.



PICTURES

Pictures will be coming home soon. Our photographer Preston Terry had an accident October 17, he is in the hospital, please keep him in your prayers. We will get your photos to you as soon as possible



Openings for students in grades 4-12 in the Kentucky 4H Country Ham project!

The Kentucky 4-H Country Ham program is a program that helps youth, ages 8-18, to develop applicable real world skills in two ways. First, youth learn about the process, history, and science of curing hams. This process briefly covers issues such as food safety, meat production, basic chemistry principles, and food preservation. After the actual process of curing their hams (each youth receives two hams) with a local expert on the process at a farm in Shelbyville. The youth select their best ham and exhibit it at the country ham contest at the state fair. At this contest they are asked to give a speech and answer questions pertaining to the process of curing hams and their experience. This and the quality of the ham both help to determine a winner in the various age categories. The \$55 fee covers all instruction and the cost of two hams. Contact Mrs. Comstock at acomstock@aol.com for the application prior to the December 10 deadline.



Poinsettia and Fresh wreaths, swags and garland

The 8th grade will be taking orders after all masses on the weekends in November in the gathering space. New this year, we will be taking orders in memory of a loved one to help decorate the Church for the Advent Season. If interested, you may contact any 8th grader or call Angie Becker at 502-693-7064.



Save the date: Saturday, December 4, 2010

AYM will host a Christmas Shopping Babysitting night.

Time 6:30pm – 11:00pm

Place – Gym

Children ages 2 -10

Cost \$20 per child

Fee includes dinner, snacks, arts & crafts and other activities

To make a reservation please call Cheryl Dugan 533-4999

Alumni News

Students on the list have earned a place on the 2010-2011 High School Honor Roll for the first quarter. We would also like to thank the faculty at Ascension for helping to lay the solid educational foundation needed for their academic success.

TRINITY

Mike Freibert, Jackson French, Joseph Miles, John Miller

Scott Blincoe, Nolan Devine, Chris Dugan, Erik Eaton, Tyler Flaspoebler, Jacob Mattingly, Daniel Monaghan, Alex Purdy, David Staeuble

Justin Gregory, Justin Howard, Alec Kleiner, Tyler Marshall, Keegan Raidt, Michael Shunnarah, Trenton Tully, Nolan Wileman

Logan Devine, Alex Dugan, Nick Finney, Davis French, Ramsey Mayne, Jacob Miles, Paxton Rousseau, Evan Spivey, Chandler Stuber, Matthew Towles, Connor Walsh, Sam Young, Chris Zdunek

A.Men Bible Study – B.Y.O.B. (Bring Your Own Bible)

The A.Men Club will be hosting the A.Men B.Y.O.B. (Bring Your Own Bible) Bible Study program from 6:30 to 7:30 prior to A.Men Club meeting on Thursday, **November 18th**. Having your own Bible is not required. All you need to do is attend. ☺ Frank Wiedmar leads the discussion. The meeting will be in the Adult Meeting Room. The A.Men Club is open to all men of the parish age 21 and over or non-parishioner males who have children attending school at Ascension. If you have any questions you can contact Frank Wiedmar (fwiedmar@brinly.com, 645-1476) or Carl Herde (cgherde@bellsouth.net, 491-1021). See you there.....and bring a friend.



Basketball Tryouts

Girls – Nov. 1 and Nov. 2

Gr's. 3 & 4 – 6:00 pm to 7:15 pm

Gr's. 5 & 6 – 7:15 pm to 8:30 pm

Gr's. 7 & 8 – 8:30 pm to 9:45 pm

Boys – Nov. 3rd and Nov. 4th

Gr's. 3 & 4 – 6:00 pm to 7:15 pm

Gr's. 5 & 6 – 7:15 pm to 8:30 pm

Gr's. 7 & 8 – 8:30 pm to 9:45 pm

Any questions or concerns, girls contact Lee Maddox at 797-8026. Boys should contact Mr. Shunnarah 403-7143.



EASY MONEY SWEEPSTAKES PRIZE WINNERS

2010-2011

Date			Prize Payout	Winner's Name
Friday	Oct.	1	\$50.00	Angie Sells
Saturday	Oct.	2	\$25.00	Ben Mattingly
Sunday	Oct.	3	\$25.00	Mari Knights
Monday	Oct.	4	\$250.00	Marilyn Weaver
Tuesday	Oct.	5	\$25.00	Norma Ward
Wednesday	Oct.	6	\$25.00	Bryan Goranflo
Thursday	Oct.	7	\$25.00	Marianne Collins Reinhart
Friday	Oct.	8	\$50.00	The Plapperts
Saturday	Oct.	9	\$25.00	Jenny Eversole
Sunday	Oct.	10	\$25.00	Ron Spears
Monday	Oct.	11	\$25.00	Jerome & Melissa Pascua
Tuesday	Oct.	12	\$25.00	Debbie White
Wednesday	Oct.	13	\$25.00	John Monsour
Thursday	Oct.	14	\$25.00	Denise Walsh
Friday	Oct.	15	\$50.00	Melissa Sanderfer
Saturday	Oct.	16	\$25.00	Maggie Oberst
Sunday	Oct.	17	\$25.00	Denise Motta
Monday	Oct.	18	\$25.00	Jahn Wolczyk
Tuesday	Oct.	19	\$25.00	Rob Honegger
Wednesday	Oct.	20	\$25.00	Brielle Thompson
Thursday	Oct.	21	\$25.00	Andrew Blake
Friday	Oct.	22	\$50.00	Greg Gaesser
Saturday	Oct.	23	\$25.00	Douglas W. Leonard
Sunday	Oct.	24	\$25.00	Samantha Elbert
Monday	Oct.	25	\$25.00	Mark Bibelhauser
Tuesday	Oct.	26	\$25.00	Mari Knights
Wednesday	Oct.	27	\$25.00	Charlotte Huntington
Thursday	Oct.	28	\$25.00	William Hickerson
Friday	Oct.	29	\$50.00	Marty & Jerry Feldkamp
Saturday	Oct.	30	\$25.00	Juddith Kessler
Sunday	Oct.	31	\$25.00	Rita Werline

Ascension Spirit Wear

Name _____ Homeroom _____
 Phone # _____

	Price	Total \$
Ascension Polka Dot Short Sleeve Shirt	\$12	_____
(Gray shirt with Hot Pink Longhorn Head and Hot Pink, White and Silver dots)		
YS _____ YM _____ YL _____ YXL _____		
AS _____ AM _____ AL _____ AXL _____		
*2XL _____ * 3XL _____		
*Add \$1.50 for 2XL and \$2.00 for 3XL		

	Price	Total \$
Ascension Polka Dot Hoodie Sweatshirt	\$22	_____
(Gray Sweatshirt with Hot Pink Longhorn Head and Hot Pink, White and Silver dots)		
YS _____ YM _____ YL _____ YXL _____		
AS _____ AM _____ AL _____ AXL _____		
*2XL _____ * 3XL _____		
*Add \$1.50 for 2XL and \$2.00 for 3XL		

	Price	Total \$
Ascension Adidas Hoodie Sweatshirt (Check one)	\$20	_____
Gray Hoodie Sweatshirt with Royal Blue and Yellow _____		
Or		
White Hoodie Sweatshirt with Royal Blue and Yellow _____		
YS _____ YM _____ YL _____ YXL _____		
AS _____ AM _____ AL _____ AXL _____		
*2XL _____ * 3XL _____		
*Add \$1.50 for 2XL and \$2.00 for 3XL		

	Price	Total \$
Ascension Adidas Long sleeve shirt (Check one)	\$15	_____
Gray shirt with Royal Blue and Yellow _____		
Or		
White shirt with Royal Blue and Yellow _____		
YS _____ YM _____ YL _____ YXL _____		
AS _____ AM _____ AL _____ AXL _____		
*2XL _____ * 3XL _____		
*Add \$1.50 for 2XL and \$2.00 for 3XL		

	Price	Total \$
Woman's Dry fit V-neck shirt with Ascension Longhorns left chest	\$18	_____
(Check One) (Runs Small)		
Royal Blue shirt with White Trim _____		
Or		
Gold shirt with White Trim _____		
AS _____ AM _____ AL _____ AXL _____ 2XL _____		

Longhorn boys short sleeve shirt	Price	Total \$
White shirt with Royal Blue		
YS _____ YM _____ YL _____ YXL _____	\$10	_____
AS _____ AM _____ AL _____ AXL _____		
*2XL _____ * 3XL _____		
*Add \$1.50 for 2XL and \$2.00 for 3XL		

Longhorns girls short sleeve shirt	Price	Total \$
White shirt with Blue/Yellow		
YS _____ YM _____ YL _____ YXL _____	\$10	_____
AS _____ AM _____ AL _____ AXL _____		
*2XL _____ * 3XL _____		
*Add \$1.50 for 2XL and \$2.00 for 3XL		

Ascension Longhorn Cinch Bags	Price	Total \$
	\$12	_____

Ascension Stretchy Head Bands	Price	Total \$
	\$8	_____
Royal Blue with White Writing		

Total \$ Amount _____ # of Items _____

Check # _____

Make checks payable to **Ascension** and send through school
C/O Lauren Walter 5W or Clayton Walter 3D.

****DEADLINE TO ORDER IS Friday Nov. 5 NO LATER!!!** If you have any questions call Kristin Walter @ 495-2615 or e-mail me at Kristin.Walter@insightbb.com



Short Sleeve



Long sleeve
Sweatshirt



Short Sleeve



Short sleeve
Sweatshirt

Mr. Grider's Thanksgiving Breakfast

Tuesday, November 16th

To support S.E.A.M. & Cheptigit Elementary in Kenya

BRING IN 1 OR MORE CAN GOOD/S AND RECEIVE A FREE KRISPY KREME DOUGHNUT.

Krispy Kreme Doughnuts \$.50



Sausage & Biscuit \$.50

Biscuit & Gravy \$.50

Bacon \$.25

Hash Brown \$.25

Scrambled Eggs \$.25

Milk \$.25

Orange Juice \$.25

Fruit \$.50



Come and join us for another great breakfast .

SPINA BIFIDA STOCKINGS PERMISSION SLIP

Dear Parents,

For the last ten-plus years Ascension students have donated stuffed stockings to the Spina bifida Foundation's Christmas party from Santa. Ascension School did this totally on its own. These stockings are given to children in the State of Kentucky who have Spina bifida. There have been times that our stockings were the only Christmas gift some poor children received. The occurrence of children with Spina bifida grows every year. In the past we have supplied over 180 stockings in some years. Due to the economy, last year's donation was short of this number.

The junior high was the main source for this service project in previous years. We are going to try to open it up to the whole school to see if we can better meet our goal of 180 – 200 stockings. Many times during the holidays you may choose a program to help those less fortunate. Would you consider this project? If you can donate a full stocking that would be wonderful. If you can donate some items that would help fill stockings that we can make that would help greatly. If you can pray for the families with heavy financial burdens and difficult situations, that would help.

If you are able to help, please sign the permission slip so we can depend on each child getting a stocking. We are thankful and blessed for your commitment to these children.

WHAT TO DO...

The best place to go to is the Dollar Tree. Purchase about a foot long stocking. Fill the stocking to the top with dollar items. (It is suggested that \$10 would be a nice gift.) It is often cute to have a toy or stuffed animal peeking out of the stocking. The only items to avoid are latex items. Some children are allergic to them. Purchase items that you would for any child. Candy is fine. Small candy canes easily break in the transportation and you may need to pad them with something. Remember, if times are difficult and you want to donate items instead of a whole stocking, we can send that too, so that other stockings can be created.

Also we will take donations and shop for you.

Thank you in advance. Miss Soeder

STOCKINGS ARE DUE DECEMBER 3rd

Our family would like to donate one (or more) stocking/s to the Junior High Service Project for the Spina Bifida Foundation.

(√) Choose an age level

Circle Sex

_____ New born to two years old Girl Boy

_____ Three years to four years old Girl Boy

_____ Five years to six years old Girl Boy

_____ Seven years to eight years old Girl Boy

_____ Nine years to ten years old Girl Boy

_____ Eleven years to twelve years Girl Boy

_____ Thirteen years to eighteen years Girl Boy

(_____ Total stockings)

Parent signature _____

Student _____

Homerom _____