



### Prayer Intentions:

For the Binkowski family, little sister is having surgery on Monday.

### We Pray:

Lord, thank you for the blessings you've provided us. You've made room for us at your banquet table. Help us to make room in our lives for others, and to share the blessings you've given. Grant us opportunities to pull up a chair for those who need to feel included, just as you have done for us. Amen.

### Calendar:

9/26

- 8th Grade high school visit
- 2:10 p.m. Mass (Gr. 2)
- Midterms

10/2

- 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Meeting (Gr. 8)

10/3

- 11:00 am Teacher Luncheon (Gr. 4 & 7 providing the meal)
- 2:10 pm Mass (Gr. 5)

### From the Principal:

Thank you to all who attended the first Parent Association meeting of the year last week. We had a great turnout and some very good discussion. We truly have wonderful volunteers hard at work to make our school the best it can be. Minutes from the Parent Association meeting are posted on the St. Aloysius Parent Association Facebook page and I encourage you to read them if you aren't already. In addition to updates from the different committee chairs, we also had a discussion about school safety which is a topic close to all of our hearts as parents. I'm pleased with our ongoing efforts to make our school a safer place such as installing exterior cameras and limiting the doors open for morning drop off. Fr. Tom and the Pastoral Council are looking at safety for our parish in general and the school is obviously an important part of those discussions. At the PA meeting, the suggestion was made to invite the BCPD to have more of a presence at our school and to do random visits to walk through our building as they already do at the city schools. This helps them to know our layout and for the students to get to know these important community helpers. I heard back from the officers right away and they are happy to include us in their visits so if you see a police car or uniformed officers here at school, please don't be alarmed. There was also a suggestion that we look into the program Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) to get more dads and father figures involved during the school day. If anyone would like to join a small team to investigate the feasibility of this at our school, please let me know. Thanks for all you do for our students already and for considering new ways to get involved. We are truly blessed!

*God's Blessings,*

*Andrea Puhl*

### From the Office:

- A number of grades are still in need of room parents, email Erin Black at [handbag.heaven@yahoo.com](mailto:handbag.heaven@yahoo.com) if you would be willing to help coordinate class parties for your child's class.
- Pictures are coming home today with your student. Retakes are October 18th. If you are unhappy with the pictures you receive today, you can return them anytime between now and the 18th.
- The school directory is being sent home today as well. A hard copy is in the Thursday envelope, and the digital copy is attached to the email. It will NOT be uploaded to the website.

### Info for New Families (& good reminders for the rest of us)

- The last Friday of the month is always a spirit day at St. Al's and an opportunity for students to be out of uniform. This month's theme is team spirit and we are encouraging students to wear their favorite team shirt or jersey. If St. Al's is your favorite team that is a great choice too! Non-uniform shorts are also permitted as long as they are appropriate length for school.

## 2019 - 2020 CYO Basketball Registration



Registration for the 2019-2020 CYO Basketball Season will begin on October 1. The deadline to register is October 18, 2019. Late registrations will not be accepted. The St. Aloysius CYO Program is now using Final Forms for registration. Please see the CYO Basketball Registration Information Sheet for more information.

At this time, we are also recruiting coaches. If you have any interest in coaching or being an emergency backup, please let us know. This will require a simple certification process, but will help in the event we have conflicts with coaching schedules. If you would like more information, please contact Car Castillo at [carcast41@gmail.com](mailto:carcast41@gmail.com).

### Family Rosary Group

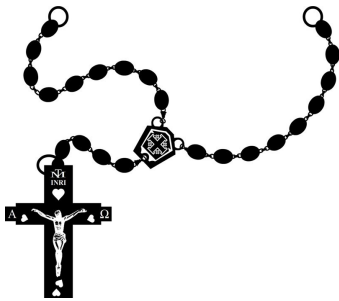
We have a special family prayer picnic planned for Fri., Oct. 4. The St. Al's Family Rosary Group and the Knights of Columbus have teamed up to host a picnic to promote praying together as a family, as well as celebrate a month dedicated to the Rosary.

5:30 pm – Arrival and dinner

6:30 pm – Rosary

Come enjoy grilled food, sides, drinks and wonderful fellowship, followed by the Rosary. If you don't have a Rosary, we'll provide one and no experience is necessary. The family that prays together, stays together!

For more information, contact Mike Ginnetti ([ginnetti.m@stalbg.org](mailto:ginnetti.m@stalbg.org)) or Tom Konecny (419-823-1978, [konecny1@yahoo.com](mailto:konecny1@yahoo.com)).



**Box Tops:** The Box Top program is going digital. You can download the app. There will be a transition period during which each item can be counted twice - once during the receipt scan and another by mailing in the traditional box top. One noteworthy caveat: receipts must be scanned within 14 days of purchase. See the attached flyer for more details.