



Prayer Intentions:

For the children we sponsor around the world through Unbound.

For those sick with covid and for those who are vulnerable and/or isolated.

We Pray:

In December, Pope Francis declared this a year of St. Joseph and encouraged us to join in praying the following:

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Calendar:

- 1/14
 - School Mass 2:10 (Gr. 7)
- 1/15
 - February lunch orders due
- 1/18
 - NO SCHOOL: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- 1/21
 - School Mass 2:10 pm (Gr. 3)
- 1/23
 - Gr. 5-8 Rockathon
- 1/29
 - End of 2nd Quarter
 - Dress down: plaid/flannel top
- 2/3
 - First Communion meeting 7:00 pm

From the Principal:

Thank you for your continued communication and transparency as we finish up the first semester this month. We currently have ten students from 6 families quarantining because of exposure outside of school or travel to a state that is on the advisory list. We are not aware of any current positive cases.

Mrs. Kolbe and I are working closely with the Wood County Health Department as they prepare to offer vaccinations to school employees, hopefully sometime in February. We will find out on a Monday evening that we will receive vaccines that week. Depending on the logistics we may have to alter our school schedule for a day to host a clinic here for our faculty and staff. We will share that information with you as soon as we have it. We are also looking for people in the medical field who are qualified to administer vaccines or watch for side effects following the vaccination. (Volunteers will sign up with Wood County to be covered by the health department liability insurance.) I know for many it will depend on the day, but if you or another qualified relative are willing to be on our list to check with when the time comes, please let me know. Vaccinating the faculty and staff members who choose to receive one is an important step in keeping the school open and operating smoothly!

*God's Blessings,
Andrea Puhl*

From the Office:

- There were 3 calamity days in December, so the lunches ordered those days will be served February 2, 4, and 11. Those days are not available to order. A reminder email will be sent ONLY to those who ordered calamity days in December. **February lunches can be ordered until tomorrow at midnight.**
- The remainder of the 2020 extended day statements are also being sent home, as not all were sent home last week. It can be submitted for reimbursement for dependent care for Flex Spending or Health Savings Accounts.
- School Mass can be viewed online on Thursdays at 2:10 pm. The link for Thursday 1/21/21 is: <https://venue.streamspot.com/event/MjQ3NDczMw>.

From the Nurse:

Q: What if someone in your household has COVID-19 and can't isolate from members in the house?

A: You should avoid contact with others outside the home while the person is sick, and quarantine for 14 days AFTER the person who has COVID-19 meets the criteria to end home isolation.

Criteria to end home isolation; 10 days since symptoms first appeared or if asymptomatic the day tested for COVID-19. 24 hours with no fever and without fever reducing medication. Other symptoms are improving. Loss of smell and taste may persist for months after recovery so no need to delay the end of isolation.

Q: What if you test negative for COVID-19 after being exposed?

A: You still need to quarantine 14 days because symptoms can appear 2-14 days after exposure.



Important articles to read before returning back to sports once you tested positive for COVID-19

- Information about COVID from the AAP
- American College of Cardiology: "Returning to Play After Coronavirus Infection: Pediatric Cardiologists' Perspective"
- American Medical Society for Sports Medicine guidance statement: "Prepublication: Interim Guidance on the Preparticipation Physical Exam for Athletes During the SARS-CoV-2 Pandemic"
- Information for parents from HealthyChildren.org on cloth face coverings during sports
- HealthyChildren.org article "Youth Sports & COVID-19: Understanding the Risks"
- HealthyChildren.org article "Youth Sports Participation During COVID-19: A Safety Checklist"

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COVID-19 Travel Advisory:



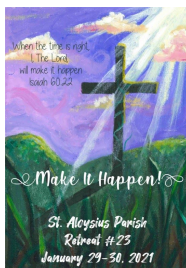
The State of Ohio currently recommends quarantine for anyone returning to Ohio from the states listed below. Passing through one of these states qualifies for quarantine if there was interaction with individuals in that state. St. Aloysius is requiring that any student that fits this criteria quarantine for 14 days upon return. Based on a 7-day rolling average of positivity rates of January 13th, the affected states are: **Idaho, Pennsylvania, Alabama, Iowa, Kansas, South Dakota, Kentucky, Oklahoma, Georgia, Utah, Texas, Arkansas, Tennessee, Nevada, Arizona, Missouri, South Carolina and Virginia.** Ohio has also reached the 15% positivity rate so please stay home as much as possible.

<https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/families-and-individuals/COVID-19-Travel-Advisory/>

From the Parish:

Parish Retreat #23

Are you ready to begin 2021 with a fresh start and some fun? If so, please consider a re-invigoration of your Faith with our annual Parish Retreat. We are making every effort to have a safe event, while maintaining the spiritual character people have come to love. As such, space is limited. Informational brochures with full retreat details and precautions are available in the narthex and on the parish website at stalbg.org. We look forward to seeing you the weekend of January 29th-30th!



Rockathon

Grades 5-8 Sign up to participate here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4da5ab2ba7fbce9-2021>

January 23, 2020 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm in Hartmann Hall

Supports the BG Pregnancy Center

Mrs. Brennan has asked for donations: 12-packs of soda, indiv. pkgs. chips and cookies, gummies, fun-sized candies (80-90 participants). We also need misc. used baby items and household items for games. These should be garage sale items that we can use over and over again. Items needed:

- Four diaper bags
- Baby bottles, sippy cups, handheld toys, empty wipes containers...
- Kitchen utensils, pot holders, dish rags...
- Misc. adult shirts, ties, belts, old shoes...
- Plastic cups or mugs
- Magazines
- Pillow cases, beach towels or other small linen items
- Four purses

Please contact Mrs. Brennan at brennan.d@stalbg.org for more information.

