



Prayer Intentions:

Mrs. Radwanski (former fifth grade teacher) and her family- her dad passed away last week.

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

We Pray:

Dear God: Spring is a metaphor for change. Some changes we eagerly await, and some we dread. Some changes we plan and others arrive uninvited. To all these changes we ask the gift of Your perspective beckoning us to expectation, hope, and rebirth.

May the sunlight and the rain be reminders that You are at work renewing the earth. As a God of renewal, You are ever at work in our lives, too. Open our eyes and lives to the needed changes in our lives this Spring. Awaken us to new life and perspective, for we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Calendar:

3/19

- Dress Down: Spring is here
- Knights of Columbus Fish Fry 4:30 - 7:00

3/22-3/26

- SPRING BREAK

3/30

- \$1 Dress Down Day for NOSF

4/1

- Holy Thursday

4/2

- NO SCHOOL: Good Friday

4/5

- NO SCHOOL: Easter break

4/6

- BG N/S Bus Routes

4/8

- Mass 2:10 pm
- End of 3rd Quarter

From the Principal:

I can't believe next week is spring break and I know I'm not alone in praying for spring like weather! If you are traveling, please keep in mind the CDC guidance shared in the travel advisory section of this newsletter. We need to continue working together to keep our building healthy and in person!

What a blessing it is to have made it to this point in the year! We have been receiving inquiries about adding additional students for the rest of the year, but please be assured that we will not change our policy this year regarding six foot social distancing. This means that most classes do not have room for more students. As we enroll for next year, we are planning for the now recommended three feet between students and, of course, hoping that we may not need to distance at all. We will continue following CDC and local health department guidance as it evolves.

*God's Blessings,
Andrea Puhl*

From the Office:

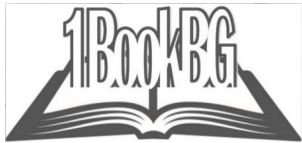
- **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**
 - **June 2, 9:00am Kindergarten Graduation Prayer Service**
 - **June 2, 7:00pm 8th Grade Graduation Ceremony**
 - **June 8th Last Day of School for Grades 1-7 (tentative...may be earlier)**
- **Tomorrow is a dress down day.** It's the last Friday of the month that we will be in school, so it's a spirit day. Our theme is "Spring is Here" which is kind of ironic with today's weather :) Students may wear a favorite spring outfit or St. Al's spirit wear. Jeans or athletic pants are ok.
- We will also have a **dress down day on Tuesday, March 30th.** Students who donate \$1 or more may wear jeans or athletic pants with an appropriate shirt of choice. Donations will be given to the Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund which benefits many of our students and others throughout the area.
- **Band bills:** sent home today to 6th-8th grade families who have not yet paid
- **April Extended Day Sign Up due 3/29:**
<https://forms.gle/iJp1ScRipxMsfhG57>
- **School Mass** can be viewed online on Thursdays at 2:10 pm. April 8th: <https://venue.streamspot.com/event/MjU3NjEyOQ>



COVID-19 Travel Advisory:

The Ohio Department of Health is revising its travel guidance to encourage Ohioans to carefully review Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance when considering travel. Even as more individuals are vaccinated across the United States and in Ohio and testing availability continues to improve, travelers should still practice appropriate public health measures to slow the spread of COVID-19, such as wearing masks, practicing physical distancing, and washing your hands. Additional CDC guidance related to domestic travel during the COVID-19 pandemic includes:

- Travel can increase your chance of **getting or spreading** COVID-19. Postponing travel and **staying home is the best way to protect yourself and others from COVID-19.**
- You and your travel companions (including children) may feel well and not have any symptoms, **but you can still spread COVID-19 to family, friends, and community after travel.**
- If you have a **known exposure** to COVID-19, you should delay travel even if you are not feeling sick, quarantine yourself from other people, get tested, and monitor your health.
- **Don't travel if you are sick** or test positive for COVID-19, and don't travel with someone who is sick.



1BookBG:

St. Al's will once again be participating in the 1BookBG program. Instead of giving a book to each family, we are asking that you use the HOOPLA format of the book. In order to do this, you will need your own library card. More information will be coming about the activities. Have fun and Happy Reading!

