



February 20 - 24, 2017

"The LORD's acts of mercy are not exhausted, his compassion is not spent; They are renewed each morning—great is your faithfulness!" ~Lamentations 3:22-23

WEDNESDAY – ASH WEDNESDAY

Please join us for our Ash Wednesday liturgy today at **10:30**.

A Lenten "coin box" will be sent home this week in the Red folder. Please see a message below from Miss Bevins, our Missions Coordinator.

FRIDAY

Every Friday, during Lent, Saint Aloysius Parish prays the Stations of the Cross together. At 6:00 p.m. homemade soup will be served in the School Cafeteria followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. In keeping with Lenten regulations, this will be a meatless and simple meal. The soup will be provided by the members of several of our parish organizations. This Lent share common prayer and common meals...Live community! GO GREEN...Bring your own BOWL!

Our annual P.T.A. Gift Auction will take place today at the Battleground Country Club in Manalapan. I hope to see many of you there and wish everyone good luck!

TERRA NOVA TESTING

Next week, March 6 – 10 is standardized testing week for all students in grades 2 through 8. Saint Aloysius School follows the directives of the Diocese of Trenton and administers the Terra Nova Standardized Test. The entire school will work on an adjusted schedule so testing can take place from 9:15 – 11:15 each day with regular classes resuming at 11:15 until 3:20. Please make all possible efforts to ensure your child is in school on time, has a good night's rest each evening and a nutritious breakfast each morning. Students will need #2 pencils for the test. Also, there will be no H.U.G.S. program next week.

REGISTRATION

IF THERE IS **NO** CHANGE IN THE INFORMATION sent home on the re-registration forms there is nothing more you need to do. Your child/ren will be automatically re-registered for the 2017-2018 school year and your re-registration fee of \$75 per child will be assessed to your FACTS account on Wednesday, MARCH 1, 2017.

IF YOUR CHILD/REN ARE **NOT RETURNING** to SAS for the 2017-2018 school year the bottom portion of the re-registration form was due **Monday, FEBRUARY 20, 2017**. If this form was not received by TODAY your FACTS account will be assessed a **NON-REFUNDABLE \$75** fee per child on MARCH 1, 2017.

SIBLINGS

If you have a child who is not yet enrolled for next year and need a registration form, please call or email [Mrs. Kaminsky](#) indicating which grade, and a form will be sent home.

ATHLETICS

Congratulations to all four of our basketball teams for a great season this year.

The JV girls finished the season in 3rd place. They won against Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

The Varsity boys did some community service over the weekend and helped with the Challenger program. I think they probably had the most fun at this game that they did all season.

The Varsity girls finished 2nd place to St. Veronica's. It was a tough loss and St. Veronica's had only lost one game all season. The loss was especially hard since we were the team that gave them that loss.

The JV boys finished the season in 1st place and they remained undefeated. The Championship game was very exciting, as they were losing most of the game. It came down to the last two minutes of the game. But our boys did not give up and kept fighting and pulled out the win.

While basketball season wraps up, it is time for spring sports to begin. Tryouts for volleyball begin this week. Baseball held their tryouts over the weekend. Track will begin shortly (they are already doing some conditioning on Friday nights in the gym.)

P.T.A. NEWS

5 Days until our 21st Annual Gift Auction!

March 3, 2017 -- Battleground Country Club – Manalapan, NJ

Tables are selling fast and our Mega 50/50 jackpot is up to over \$6,000 (that's over \$3,000 to the winner so far)

Final days to get a table and send in money for raffle tickets by WEDNESDAY!

Upcoming Events:

Old Monmouth Candies Easter Sale – March 2017.

Keep an eye out - forms to be sent home this week in the Red Folder.

Have a great GATOR week!

Peace,
Ms. O'Connor

Dear Parents,

Since the Missionary Childhood Association was founded in 1843, children around the world have worked hard to put into practice the MCA's motto "Children Helping Children." The money raised and donated by the children is used to assist children in developing nations around the world. These funds are sent directly to the missions where they are used to provide food, medical assistance and education to children who would otherwise have to go without.

During Lent we teach our children about the sacrifices that Jesus made for us, and to show them that they can be like Jesus, too—by sacrificing, doing good works, and sharing what they have with other children around the world. As the students travel forward on their Lenten journey they can do all these things while preparing for Easter and learning the way of the Cross.

Throughout our Lenten journey we spend time praying, fasting, focusing on the great sacrifice Jesus Christ made for us. As we travel through the season we are reminded of our role within the Church as messengers of the Good News of Jesus. We are called to participate in the missionary works of the Church both at home and throughout the world by helping those that are less fortunate. Each child has been given a "coin box" which they will keep at home throughout the season. In an effort to continue the good works of Jesus, we are asking each child to donate any loose change he/she might have. The coin holders can be brought to school upon return from Easter Break. All money collected is given directly to the children of the world who need it the most.

We thank you for helping the children of St. Aloysius School answer Jesus' call to assist those in need around the world.

Sincerely,
Miss Bevins