



CIRCLE OF PRAYER is every Monday morning at 8:05 a.m.

**A PRAYER FOR
OUR BISHOP**

*Father of Mercy and Love,
Who watches over Your creatures
with unfailing care,
keep us in the safe embrace
of Your love.*

*With Your strong right hand
raise up Your servant,
Joseph, our shepherd,
and give him the strength of
Your own power.*

*Minister to him and heal
his illness, so that he may have
from You
the help he longs for.*

*We ask this through Christ our
Lord. Amen.*

*Saint Brigid of Kildare
pray for us!*

P.T.O.

P.T.O. is in need of a new secretary. If you would like to nominate someone, or if you are interested, please contact Scott Keyes at sakeyes.2@gmail.com, or bring you nomination to the P.T.O meeting Mon. April 16, at 6:30 p.m.

Thank you to Kara Malkowski for you many years of service to P.T.O!

Please join us for our next meeting. This month we will be discussing our 2018-2019 budget, along with some other important information. We would love to have you there. *Reminder – Childcare is available during each meeting.*

The mission of Saint Brigid School, in partnership with family, parish and community, is to educate and encourage students to reach their potential – mind, body and spirit – in an inclusive environment of support, understanding and Catholic values.

IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL

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| 13 | “Battle of Dr. Seuss books” Free Dress Day | |
| 15-18 | Scholastic Book Fair | |
| 16 | PTO Meeting | 6:30 pm |
| 18 | Mass with Students (8 th gr) | 8:30 am |
| | Spring Preschool Storytime | 1:00 pm |
| | Parent Teacher Conferences | 5:00-8:00p |
| 19 | Early Dismissal (1/2 day) | 11:30 a |
| | Parent Teacher Conferences | 12:30-3:00p
5:00-8:00p |
| 20 | NO SCHOOL | |
| 23 | School Spelling Bee | 1:30 pm |
| 25 | Mass with Students (7 th gr) | 8:30 am |
| 26 | Student Council | 3:00-3:45p |
| | Confirmation at ABVM | 7:00 pm |
| 28 | Painterly Pottery Fundraiser | |
| 29 | First Eucharist Mass | 11:30 am |

SAVE THE DATE

May 9 Muffins with MOM

May 16 D.A.R.E. Graduation

2018-2019 REGISTRATION

Please return your student(s) completed enrollment packets (with your pastor’s signature) for the 2018-2019 school year at your earliest convenience. **Students will receive a gift certificate for a free ice cream cone if packets are received by May 4, 2018.** Contact the school office with any questions or concerns.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Please be sure to come in to school to sign up for your children's parent-teacher conference.

Sign-up sheets are located in the school lobby.

Conference times are as scheduled:

Wed., April 18	5:00-8:00 pm
Thurs. April 19	11:30 am Dismissal 12:30-3:00 & 5:00-8:00 pm
Fri., April 20	No School

**SPRING CONCERT**

Our annual Spring Concert is scheduled for Monday, May 14, at 6:00 p.m. in the C.H.P.H. All of our choirs, the elementary band, 6th grade band, and the Shamrock Band will be featured. We look forward to seeing you there.

GUARDIAN ANGEL WALKATHON

The Annual Guardian Angel walkathon fundraiser is set for 1:00 p.m., Sunday May 20. This year's goal is \$20,000. The 2 mile walk will go through downtown and down the rail tail. A carnival will be set up with games and activities for children to enjoy after the walk.

The winners of the t-shirt contest were announced at the kick-off pep rally. John Budd took first place and Isabella Lyons came in as runner up! Thank you to Universal Printing for the gracious donation to the school. Beginning Tuesday, students will be able to wear their walkathon t-shirts once they are earned. Pledges will be counted and tickets will be dispersed on Monday. The Spirit Stick will also be given to the class that has earned it!

READING MONTH UPDATE

The results from the "Dr. Seuss's Battle of the Books" are in. The winners are:

1 st grade	C. Pider
2 nd grade	Z. Pider
3 rd grade	K. Sessions
S. Baker	E. Sower
L. Minuth	M. Skoczylas
E. Murphy	T. Turowski

These classrooms and students will receive a free dress day on Fri. April, 13.

BOX TOPS

Thank you to everyone for your support of the Box Tops Program. The school has earned \$359.00! Below are the totals turned in by each classroom:

Kindergarten – 61

1st Grade – 227

2nd Grade – 476

3rd Grade – 421

4th Grade – 458

5th Grade – 160

6th Grade – 164

7th Grade – 436

8th Grade – 228

Congratulations to the 2nd grade class on collecting the most box tops and earning a Slurpee party.

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM

As a reminder, the members of Saint Brigid Parish will need to re-enroll to continue earning in the *Kroger Community Rewards Program*. All participants must sign up for the program in order to earn funds for your group during 2018-2019. It is easy to enroll or re-enroll. Just visit www.krogercommunityrewards.com Click on *Michigan* and then *Enroll*. All participants must have a valid online account at Kroger.com and must sign up online to participate.

SCRIP NEWS

Please be aware that emails have been sent to all families who earned TRP in Q3 (December 1, 2017 – February 28, 2018) and to all families who have earned \$50 or more in scrip rebates towards the \$100 minimum rebate for PTO. Please contact Jean Cronin at stbrigidscip@hotmail.com if you have any questions about your TRP or the rebates you've earned so far this year. Remember that the scrip year ends May 31, so let's finish on an upswing. Of course, you can keep buying scrip through the end of the school year (and all summer long with PrestoPay).

SAINT BRIGID CHOIR

The Saint Brigid choir continues to lift their voices in praise. Here are some upcoming events. Families, please put these dates on your calendar. Contact Mrs. Ball if you have any questions. Thank you for supporting our amazing choir.

***Thurs., April 26** – Choir sings the National Anthem at the Loons game (10:30 a.m.) Students in the choir will walk to the stadium, departing from school at 9:40 a.m., and sit in a reserved suite. Students can wear navy uniform pants and dark green or navy school fleece tops. Permission slips will be going home with choir students this week.

***Sun., April 29** – Choir sings at 11:30 Mass. *Members should report to choir room by 11:00 a.m.*

***Sun., May 13** – Choir sings at 11:30 a.m. Mass (Mother's Day). *Members should report to choir room by 11:00 a.m.*



HEAD TO HEAD

Our St. Brigid middle school Head to Head team recently completed another successful season of academic and performance competitions. On March 20th at Central Auditorium, St. B's team competed alongside of teams from Hemlock, Jefferson and Northeast Middle School teams for the Annual City Wide Finals Event.

Winning medals in their respective competitions are the following St. Brigid students:

Written testing:

Finn Knight and **Billy Buchalski** tied for 3rd place in Social Studies.

Ava Friedman took 3rd place in art testing

John Jenkins took 3rd place in sports and fitness testing.

Head to Head Live Quiz Bowl team: The team of **Samuel Baker**, **Billy Buchalski**, **Finn Knight** and **Luke Storey** took 1st place with an exciting semifinal win over Jefferson and a convincing win over Northeast Middle School in the Final Round.

Performance events:

Tomasz Turowski took 3rd place with his piano instrumental solo.

Billy Buchalski took 2nd place for his Interpretive Speaking Solo.

Raegan Woodiwiss and **Raven Driver** took 1st place for their vocal ensemble and, **Liesl Grossman**, **Ava Friedman**, **Eryn Murphy** and **Raegan Woodiwiss** took 3rd place for their vocal ensemble.

The **Shamrock Band** concluded the program with an Instrumental Ensemble that had the crowd clapping along to "Rock around the Clock", for which they received 3rd place.

The 2018 Head to Head team, consisting of 28 amazingly talented middle school students, is coordinated by Anne Quinn and assisted by Chris Buchalski, Matt Allington, Todd Lovely and Julie Pangborn. Special thanks to Judyth Peterson for her help with the Shamrock Band ensemble and all of the dedicated parents who helped make the whole season happen!