



# St. Ann School Wednesday Memo

SAINT ANN SCHOOL  
— putting faith in education —

10/14/15

**Lunch supervision volunteers must arrive no later than 11:15 AM (11 AM if possible).**



**Total for 19 Lunches for October: \$56.05**

<b>Monday, Oct. 26</b>	<b>Chicken Nuggets</b>
<b>Supervision</b>	<b>Zywicki</b>
<b>Tuesday, Oct. 27</b>	<b>Ham &amp; Turkey Subs</b>
<b>Supervision</b>	<b>Unitan</b>
<b>Wed., Oct. 28</b>	<b>Beefy Macaroni</b>
	<b>"GOOLAAASH"</b>
<b>Supervision</b>	<b>Apel</b>
<b>Thursday, Oct. 29</b>	<b>11 AM Release</b>
<b>Friday, Oct. 30</b>	<b>No School</b>

## All Souls Day Mass Monday, November 2



We invite families to bring in photos of their loved ones for our memory table. Please be sure to attach a note with your name to the back of your photo so that it can be returned to you. You may begin bringing in photos now. **We ask that all**

**photos be brought to school by Thursday, October 29.**

## Parent/Teacher Conference Schedules sent home today

If you scheduled a conference, a copy of your schedule is in the Family Envelope. Conferences will be held 4-8 PM on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 27/28.



## St. Ann's Day at Culver's

Tuesday, October 27, 4-8 PM in St. Ann's Fund-raiser Day at Culver's. In your family envelope are fundraising cards. Culver's will donate 10% of the cost of your meal to St. Ann School when you present the card. Please give this card to all your neighbors and friends this week. Thank you for supporting St. Ann School. See you at Culver's!



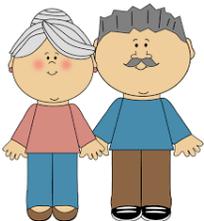
## St. Ann Logo Wear Order Deadline

Next order for Logo Wear will be sent in on Friday, 10/23. Please have orders in the office by Friday morning. If purchasing logo wear is a financial hardship, please call the school office.

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Another order will be placed on November 20.

## Grandparents/Special Person Day Friday, November 13



The invitation for Grandparents/Special Person day was sent home today in your family envelope. Please read over the invitation and RSVP no later than Wednesday, November 4.

We look forward to spending time with the special people in your child's life. We will be sending home a request for food donations also. Please be sure to look over the sign up on Sign-up Genius to see what items we will need for the day. The Sign-Up Genius link

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090C48A4AD2EA46-grandparents](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090C48A4AD2EA46-grandparents) will also be emailed to you.

Thank you!

## Fall Harvest Dance and Party Thank You

Wow what a FUN party that was! A huge thank you to all the families who attended, brought snacks, danced, set up and helped take down. Special thanks goes to the hard working ladies on the committee: Sarah Nelson, Susan Cook, Joan McCormick, Diana Krause and Emily Breton (you ladies rock!). Thanks to the Sarbacker family, Mike McConville, our 2 Apel DJ's, all our dance instructors, Home & School and Culvers. Special thanks to those who pitched in just like they were on the committee: Lynn Wood, the Unitan's, the Gille's, and Diana Probst. Check out the St. Ann School Facebook page to see pictures of this fun event.

Lisa Howard and Judy Apel Co Chair  
The Family Enrichment/Social Committee

*(P.S. Many Thanks to Lisa and Judy for chairing this event. It was a wonderful family party that was well organized and beautifully orchestrated.)*



## Moms Fit for Life

Information was emailed home last week about the Moms Fit for Life program that Stacey is leading. There is an organizational meeting October 22, 7 PM at Stacy Schumacher's home, 426 Johnson St. or email Stacey at [Stacey.schumacher44@gmail.com](mailto:Stacey.schumacher44@gmail.com)



## Ultrazone Laser Tag Event Thursday, October 29, 6-9 PM.

If you wish for your child to participate, please return your form and payment of \$20, which includes admission and 2 slices of pizza, by Monday, October 26.

## Exploring the Catholic Roots of Halloween

We have entered the 21st century. It is getting harder to be "in" the world but not "of" the world. How are we to tread carefully to find balance in a secular holiday? We have an onslaught of Halloween witches, ghosts, goblins, vampires, etc. everywhere we turn. How do we bring a message to our children to say that being a Christian does not mean that we cannot have fun and enjoy some secular practices? How do we convey that that we must not constantly be negative and condemn everything?

To answer this, we must to put on the mind of the Church. All through the centuries the Church has taken secular feasts and tried to "sanctify" or "Christianize" them. The feast day of All Saints itself came from the dedication of the Pantheon, a pagan temple, into a Christian church, undoubtedly another way of sanctifying the secular and pagan. Missionaries familiarize themselves with the culture and religion of the country before they can convert the native people. The missionaries have to be able find some elements in their culture that can help these people identify and understand Christianity at their level. St. Paul tried it with the Greeks. Seeing their altar to the Unknown God, he saw that through their own pagan altar he might bring them to Christianity.

It is beautiful to remember that we can recognize and enjoy simple earthly pleasures as gifts from God. Many of the practices of Halloween are innocent fun and some deal with healthy reminders of death, sin and the devil. Some parts of Halloween can be extreme. Since the All Saints and All Souls feasts are back-to-back, we can balance some of the focus of Halloween to the Communion of Saints in action. We combine honoring the saints in heaven, remembering our loved ones and then earn graces for our own souls by prayer and actions. Through this approach we see the Mystical Body in action.

There are many writings to help one explore the Christian roots of the Halloween festivities. In the activities section there are ideas for an All Hallows' Eve Party to present a fun atmosphere for children.

<http://www.catholicculture.org/culture/library/view.cfm?recnum=1230>

These ideas help use every opportunity as a moment of grace, and a teaching lesson, not a spirit of avoidance of Halloween. One can use the opportunity to honor the saints, pray for the Poor Souls and prepare oneself spiritually for two great feast days of the Catholic Church, All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day.

