



## CALENDAR

### Thursday, February 8

Gian's noodles

### Friday, February 9

2nd Art @ 1:00 pm

7th & 8th Gr. girls

"Empowering Young Women"

@ 1:30pm

### Tuesday, February 13

Miguel's burritos

4th Art @ 1:30 pm

Valentine theme dress

Parish Mardi Gras Event @ 6:00 pm

### Wednesday, February 14

Ash Wednesday

12:00pm Dismissal

### **Reminder**

Your 2018-2019 registration fee will automatically be deducted from your Smart Tuition account along with your March tuition payment. (\$150.00 per student). Thank you.

### **Join us!**

The school will be joining our parish community for Stations of the Cross on Fridays, (when school is in session), at 2:00 pm in the church during the Lenten Season.



### *God's Corner...*

*Be completely humble and gentle;  
be patient, bearing with one  
another in love.*

~Ephesians 4:2

### **All good things must come to an end**

It is with gratitude and sadness that we share the news that Mrs. Ross will be retiring at the end of this school year. Mrs. Ross has served the Annunciation community for 40 years and her love for our children remains her focus. While we will miss the lessons that she taught with care and expertise, we wish her the best as she begins her next journey. Please keep Mrs. and Mr. Ross in your prayers.

### **Keep the bug away!**

Despite teaching our children it is nice to share, there are some things that are not worthy of passing along. The flu has been knocking on our door and we would like to keep it out. We are asking everyone to please support our efforts in preventing further spreading of the bug. If your child is sick, **PLEASE** do not send him/her to school. Students should not return to school until they are "**fever-free**" - **free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication.** (Fever reducing medicine is doing just that - reducing not eliminating the fever). As always, we encourage children to avoid sharing drinks from the same container, keep fingers and hands away from mouths, and wash, wash, wash those hands!!! This flu spreads rapidly, and we appreciate you lending a healthy hand in keeping it at bay. Here's to healthy days ahead!

### **Parish Mardi Gras Party- Tues. Feb. 13**

Mardi Gras, or Fat Tuesday, is the last day to party before the fasting, prayer, and reflection of the season of Lent. Our parish celebrates Mardi Gras each year with a delicious Jambalaya (and pizza for the kids) dinner, mask making, and live music. It's a free family event to be shared and enjoyed by all. It will be held in the gym Tuesday, Feb. 13. Doors open at 6pm. Dinner will be served at 6:30pm.

\*Help is needed with setting up tables and chairs at 4pm and take-down at 8pm. We hope to see you all there!

### **Councils Corner**

•**February Charity** - Have A Heart

•**Valentine theme dress.** February 13, wear red, white or pink with free dress bottoms.

•**Valentine grams** - Student Council will be selling Valentine grams (a valentine with a piece of candy) before and after school on Thursday, Feb. 8 and Friday, Feb. 9 for \$0.25 each. The Valentine grams will be distributed Tuesday, Feb. 13 with all students guaranteed one Valentine gram. Proceeds will benefit the Have A Heart campaign.

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## PTO Update

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who came out to support our Book Fair last week! Your support helped earn over \$6,000 in sales. A portion of that will help classroom teachers replace, or add books in classrooms and support the library with new titles! Thank you especially to the parents who came out to set up, staff, and take down the Book Fair itself. Your help was essential to the Fair's success!

If you were not able to shop at our ONSITE Book Fair, you can still shop at our ONLINE Book Fair:  
<http://www.scholastic.com/bf/annunciationsch1>

The ONLINE BOOK FAIR ends THIS WEDNESDAY, 2/7/18 !! You can find a large variety of titles from preschool to high school reading levels! The first of two online fair orders will arrive this Thursday, and go home on Friday 2/9/18. The second online book fair shipment will arrive a few days after the end of the online book fair. Ordered books will go home with your student.

Please remember to mark your calendars for our first of two parent workshops coming up this month:

\*\* Matt Haber, SJCOE for Common Core Math on 2/22/18 at 7 p.m. in the school auditorium. Please bring any questions you might have regarding Common Core Math and homework, and Mr. Haber will answer them, as time allows.

Our next PTO meeting is TODAY, Wednesday, 2/7/18 at 7 p.m. in the Staff Lounge. All are welcome!

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## Guys and Dolls

The Saint Mary's High School Theatre is excited to present their production of *Guys and Dolls*. Taking us from the heart of Times Square to a cafe in Havana, Cuba, and even into the sewers of New York City, this musical is an oddball romantic comedy which transports us into a colorful world mixed with gangsters, showgirls, and missionaries! With a brassy, immortal score and one of the funniest scripts ever written, this is truly a treat for audiences and performers of any age. *Guys and Dolls* will be performed 9 times over two weekends at Stockton Civic Theatre: February 22 - March 4, 2018 and is appropriate for all ages. The musical is directed by Kevin Costello, with musical direction by Josh Landin and choreography by Evelyn Barney. Patrons are advised to purchase tickets ahead of time online at [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com) or at the St. Mary's High School main office. General admission prices are \$15.00 for adults, \$12.50 for seniors, and \$10.00 for students and children. For more information call 957-3340, Ext. 250.

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## January Donations

<u>United Way Campaign</u>		<u>General</u>	<u>Tuition Assistance</u>
Karen Baglietto	Sheena Stephen	<i>In Memory of Jane Donaldson</i>	Joan Bowe
The Sajor Family	Lorraine Wyatt	Angelo Stagnaro	Stephen Barney

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## Open Enrollment

Annunciation School is currently accepting applications for the 2018-2019 school year through February 15, 2018. If you have, or know someone who has, a prospective kindergarten or 1st - 8th grade student, you may obtain an application and parent information/obligation packet in the school office or on the website under the admissions tab.

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## Looking ahead

- February 7 - PTO meeting at 7:00 pm
- February 10 -Cathedral Concert Series @ 7 pm
- February 13 - Parish Mardi Gras @ 6:00 pm
- February 14 - Ash Wednesday, noon dismissal
- February 15 - Open Enrollment applications due
- February 21- Last Big Raffle "Early Bird Drawing"
- March 8 - *Big Raffle* tickets due
- March 16 - *Big Raffle* drawing