

Sowing Seeds of Service

May 22, 2009



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Congratulations to all the members of the **8th grade class** who graduated on May 20. I am very proud of each of them and their growth and accomplishments. Please see the back of this newsletter for a partial listing of their awards and scholarships.

Special thanks to Mrs. Margaret Saak, a parishioner, who trimmed the bushes in front of school last weekend. She wanted to make sure that it would look nice for the 8th grade graduation picture. Thank you for noticing a need and volunteering!

Congratulations to the **2009-2010 Student Council Officers** who were elected on Monday: President Sam Aubuchon, Vice-president Alexis Abernathy, Treasurer Emily Paunicka, Recording Secretary Nora Dooley, Corresponding Secretary Moira Smith, and Spirit Chairperson Maggie Boul.

Congratulations to the 5th grade Boy Scouts who crossed over on May 18th: Deon Boyd, Steven Harrington, David Hubbard, Brandon Johnson, William Spilling, and Jamie Swain. David Hubbard also received the Parvuli Dei religious award. Special thanks to troop leaders Kathy Dolson and Karen Hubbard.

Thank you to all the parents who joined us today for the **Awards Ceremonies and Mass**. It was a great way to end a wonderful year and to honor the staff members who will not be returning next year.

Band instruction will be offered again next year in partnership with Lutheran High School North. Students in grades 5-8 may participate. The parent fee will be \$290 for the year for 2 lessons a week. Please call Mr. Steve Tirmenstein (389-3100) or the school office for more information.

The school supply list is being sent home today. Report cards will be mailed on June 5 to all families who are current on their tuition and fees.

Vacation Bible School will be June 8-12. Thanks to Mrs. Sheila Boul for coordinating it again this year.

During the summer months, **volunteers** are needed for two large projects at school. The hardwood floors in the classrooms will be resealed, and the ceiling fans will be changed. Anyone who can help, please call the school office! 381-0113

As we come to the end of the school year, I want to thank each of you for all you did to make this year a success. Thank you for your cooperation, support, and encouragement. Thank you for sharing your time, talent, and treasure. Thank you for sending your children to us to nurture and nourish with knowledge, kindness, and Christ-centered prayer. I pray that everyone will have a restful, relaxing, refreshing summer vacation. I look forward to seeing all of you again in August!

Make sure to check out our new website: www.sacs-stl-org. There will be new additions over the summer!

Easter blessings and peace,
Ms. Mary Jo Reichenbach

Graduation Commendations

Congratulations to all the graduates!

Vivianna Carter received the John La Page North County CYC scholarship. This scholarship is awarded for athletics, overall character of the individual, and the spirit of the Catholic Youth Council. She also received the Multicultural Scholarship for Nerinx Hall High School.

Gunner O'Brien received the DeSmet Honor's Scholarship for the highest GPA among the students from St. Ann School who applied to DeSmet High School. Ryan Fitzgerald and Justin Klohr received DeSmet Principal's Scholarships.

Vivianna Carter received the SACPO scholarship awarded for the highest grade point average among the 8th grade girls.

Gunner O'Brien received the St. Ann Men's Club scholarship awarded for the highest grade point average among the 8th grade boys.

Justin Klohr received the William P. Hebron Scholarship awarded to a Catholic student attending a Catholic High School who exhibits the qualities of a good Catholic student. The award was instituted by the Hebron family to honor William P. Hebron and his long-standing commitment to Catholic values.

Jennifer Harris received the Parish Mission Award for an 8th grade parishioner who worships with the community on Sunday, is part of the life of the neighborhood, and actively lives at least one specific aspect of the Parish Mission Statement.

I have watched the 8th grade class grow in Christian maturity, respect, and kindness during the past two years. The St. Ann Award was presented to the 8th grade girl who best exemplifies the qualities of St. Ann and her daughter Mary. The St. Joachim Award was presented to the 8th grade boy who best exemplifies the qualities of St. Joachim and his son-in-law St. Joseph. These qualities include gentleness, respect, helpfulness, diligence, justice, fairness, and modeling Catholic/Christian behavior. Jennifer Harris received the St. Ann Award and Chris Morris received the St. Joachim Award.