

# ST. LAURENCE SAINTS

SPOTLIGHT OF THE WEEK

NOVEMBER 16, 2016

**REGISTER FOR STEPS FOR STUDENTS!  
SUPPORT OUR FUNDRAISER AND RAISE AWARENESS AND SUPPORT FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION!**



Thank you to all the students that have registered for Steps for Students! All registrations both snoozers and walkers will receive a T-shirt. Unlike Yankee Candle almost 100% of the money comes back to SLCS! Funds raised will be used to pay for Family Rosary, Family Movie Night, Hoops and Dogs, Father Daughter Dance and much, much more. Please go to <http://steps4students.org> and register today! See the flyer [HERE](#) for all the incentives for this fundraiser.



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**



**From all of us at St. Laurence Catholic School, we wish you and your family a very Happy Thanksgiving! Thank you for being part of the SLCS family!**

Please receive our Thanksgiving Card [HERE](#) or click on the picture!

Just a reminder: the school will be closed the week of Thanksgiving as we pause and give thanks to God for His abundant graces. We will resume school on Monday, November 28. May this week bring you time, surrounded by loved ones and friends, to rest, rejuvenate your spirit, and reflect upon your abundance of blessings as we give thanks to God for all He has done in our lives.

God Bless,

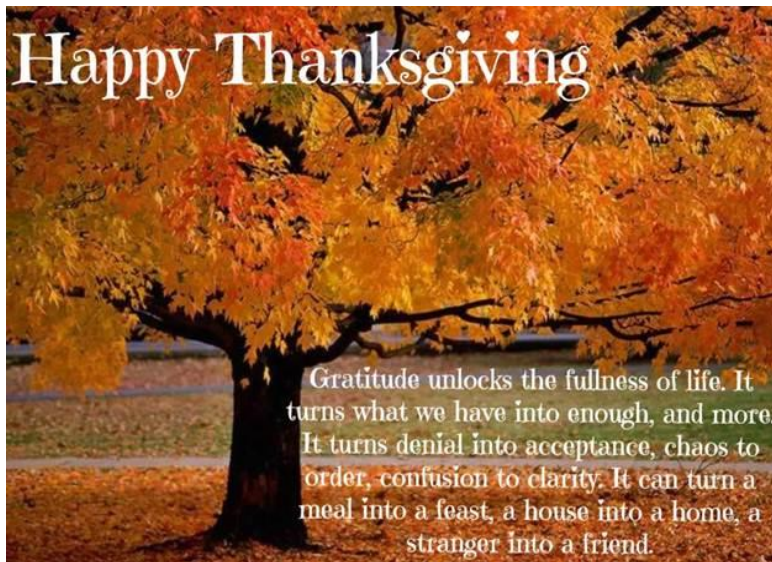
*Mrs. Barto*

### IMPORTANT DATES

11/17	Winter Sports Picture Day School-wide Spelling Bee
11/18	All School Mass Led by 6A
11/19	Share God's Bounty
11/21- 11/25	Thanksgiving Break – No School
11/27	First Sunday of Advent
11/28	Welcome Back to School! Parish Penance Service
11/29	School Board Meeting
11/30	Jean/Spirit Day
12/1	STUCO Meeting



## SCHOOL BOARD CONNECTS



**HAVE A BLESSED TIME  
WITH YOUR FAMILIES!**

**YOUR SLCS  
SCHOOL BOARD**



## A NOTE FROM YOUR PTO



### PTO PRAYER GROUP

We pray that you all have a lovely Thanksgiving and that you plan to join us for the next PTO Prayer Group meeting on Wednesday, November 30th at 8:15 in the Ave Maria Center - St. Joseph room. All are welcome!



## NEWS

### SPICE THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to everyone that supported and/or attended the SPICE luncheon on Friday. It was a wonderful, celebration of awareness for our Special People In Catholic Education. It was great to welcome back Mrs. Haney for a brief time and Mrs. Charleen Katra did a great job reminding us of the social justice aspects of providing access and inclusion to all Catholics that the United States Bishops called us all to do in their statement 20 years ago.

A special Saints' thank you to the luncheon committee that worked tirelessly to ensure its success: Tunde Cardozo, Dr. Randa Elraheb, Geni Gonsoulin, Allison Grover, Maria Jorissen, Mariano Montemayor, Cara Turner and Reinetta Zezatti. Events like this touch our community in too many ways to count but it is through the effort of our gracious donors to our hard working volunteers that continue to shine a light on this wonderful program.

### IMPORTANT CHANGES TO PAYFORIT.NET LOGINS

We are enhancing the security of PayForIt.net. On November 28, there will be a new login screen on the home page. *ALL usernames will be changed to email addresses*. Parents will see a message on the login page prompting them to use their email address instead of their username. If you have any issues with this process, instructions will be available to download under the "Login Instructions" tab.

### SHARE GOD'S BOUNTY

Keep those donations coming! SLCS is proud to assist in this HUGE Thanksgiving food drive! Our 8th graders play a significant role as they will assist in the collection process and host the hospitality desk for this Parish wide service project. This year the school has been asked to provide all the pantry items for Share God's Bounty! All donations may be sent to school with your child before Friday! See flyer for donation requests [HERE](#). Questions? Contact Adriana Gutierrez [agutierrez@stlaurence.org](mailto:agutierrez@stlaurence.org).

### CALLING ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS!

Our Yearbook photographers can't be everywhere! If you've got great photos of school events, or you and your friends just having fun, please share them with us. The more photos you share, the better our yearbook will be for everyone! Download the Balfour App and share them from your cell phone. Our project number is #720467. Questions? Contact Adriana Gutierrez at [agutierrez@stlaurence.org](mailto:agutierrez@stlaurence.org).

### COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Please read your Counselor's Corner Newsletter [HERE](#)!

### CHRISTMAS MUSICALS! SAVE THE DATE!

**MIDDLE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM** Tuesday, December 6th, School Gym, 7:00 p.m.

**ECC CHRISTMAS PROGRAM** Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, Parish Hall, 8:30 -10:00 a.m.

**BAND CONCERT** Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, School Gym, 7:00 p.m.

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## 25 ANNIVERSARY

**1.28.17 2:00 p.m.**

**A DAY WON'T WANT TO MISS!**

We are so blessed to be celebrating 25 years as a parish school! Please mark your calendars for our Mass & Celebration on **January 28, 2017!** It will be a fun family day at the school with scavenger hunts, photo booth, food trucks, reminiscing and fellowship! We will conclude our day with Mass with the Cardinal and our very own Father Drew! If you would like to assist in making this a day to remember, please contact the Advancement Office at [advancement@stlaurence.org](mailto:advancement@stlaurence.org) or 281.980.0500.

# DO YOU REMEMBER?

Check back here often to Take a **Stroll Down Memory Lane!**

## The First Middle School Class



Sixth Grade - Mrs. Grant

First Row: P. Durham, U. Cantu, L. McMenemy, M. Reinoso, R. Rodriguez, M. Naccarelli, V. Thon, R. Yeh, J. Christensen. Second Row: E. Brown, K. Handyside, M. Villareal, A. Landry, D. Hanshaw, J. Delgado, L. Pinina, C. Boeun. Third Row: N. Dziekonski, A. Glaser, V. Necroto, K. McGee, M. LaFleur, C. Strange, L. Hotze

OUR FIRST  
MIDDLE SCHOOL  
CLASS!

6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE WITH  
MRS. GRANT



## AUCTION NEWS

### FABULOUS AUCTION OPPORTUNITY

For the first time in our 25 year history you have the opportunity to support your auction with sponsorships that will directly defer the expenses of this fabulous event and give you a tax write off in 2016! Don't delay! Click [HERE](#) to see what is still available. Please note sponsorships are separate from underwriting. Sponsorships are a great way to advertise your business and help the school at the same time. Underwriting information will be sent home to all families in January. Questions? Contact one of the 2017 Auction Chairs.

### HAYRIDE HOOPLA

Want your daughter or son to be part of the fun and infamous Pre-K Hayride? Well, then you won't want to miss this chance to win this awesome class auction item. This auction item includes a hayride with their teachers and assistants to see the awesome and famous Pecan Grove Christmas lights, Santa hat, cookies and a special goody bag. The top 3 bidders from each homeroom will get to attend. The hayride will be on December 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30-7:00pm. All bids are due November 18<sup>th</sup>. Please use the following forms: [Pre-K 1](#), [Pre-K 2](#), [Pre-K 3](#).



## ALUMNI NEWS

Once a Saint, Always a Saint

### SAINTS' SCOOP

Preparation is underway for our next edition of the Saints' Scoop. We want to know what our Saints been up to since leaving SLCS. Please send any information you might have on any alum to our Advancement Office [HERE!](#) Please be sure to include the graduation year in your description. Thank you!



## SAINTS SPORTS SCOOP

## BOYS BASKETBALL

The boys teams continue to play well. The varsity boys are undefeated with a 3-0 record. They will play in the Fort bend Christian Academy tournament this weekend. The 6th grade boys will play in the St. Thomas More tournament Thursday-Saturday.

## GIRLS BASKETBALL

The girls are improving with each game. The varsity girls started 2-0 but lost a close game to St. John Paul II last night. The girls will also play at the FBCA tournament this weekend.

## OTHER NEWS

- Team pictures for Fall Tennis and Basketball are Thursday, November 17th before school.
- The next home basketball games will be on November 29th (girls) and November 30th (boys) against St. Francis de Sales. Come out and support the Saints!

**BOOSTER CLUB SPIRIT STORE!** Find the Booster Club forms [HERE!](#)



## PARISH NEWS

### HAPPY THANKSGIVING FROM ST. LAURENCE!

Fr. Drew will offer a Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9:00am in the Church. This is our only Mass celebrated on this day. The parish offices will be closed next Wednesday, November 23, through Friday, November 25, to allow clergy and staff time to celebrate with family. Have a happy Thanksgiving!

### WANT TO CONTINUE LEARNING ABOUT YOUR FAITH WITH OTHER ADULTS?

Our Adult Faith Formation team has some amazing opportunities for our parents. Click [HERE](#) for the upcoming opportunities and speakers. There is truly something for everyone!



## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

### CLEMENTS HIGH SCHOOL CHEER CLINIC

Kids ages 5 thru 6th grade welcome to attend Clements Cheer Clinic. Learn proper stretching and jumping techniques, as well as a cheer and dance routine. Saturday, December 3rd from 9:30 AM -12:30 PM. Check-in begins at 9:00 & parent show-offs begin at 12:30 p.m. Clements High School Girls' Gym. \*\* For all details, contacts, and registration information, please visit our website at [www.chscheerclinic.weebly.com](http://www.chscheerclinic.weebly.com)

### MISSION STATEMENT

*As a pastoral instrument of the Church, St. Laurence Catholic School educates and develops the whole Christian person in body, mind, and spirit through the trinity of parent, child, and educator.*

### CONNECT WITH US!

