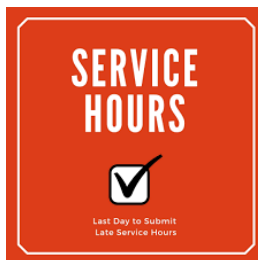


Parent Newsletter
February 22, 2023

**St. Bridget's NEW WEBSITE
has launched!**
Go to [Saintboss.org](https://saintboss.org)

**All TK-7th grade parents
must complete the
Preliminary Registration for
2023-2024. Go to the
Admissions tab.**



As of today, only 18 of our 77 families have completed their 30 hours of service. There are only 3½ months of school remaining and we have many projects. Contact Mrs. Hernandez immediately to get your service hours completed. The deadline to complete all hours is May 31st. Remaining service hours will be charged.



St. Bridget staff and students attended mass for Ash Wednesday today. All attendees received ashes at this mass. Today, we begin our Lenten season. Please practice our faith during this season which includes: praying in family, alms giving, fasting and attending Friday evening Stations of the Cross and Soup Nights.

Turkey/Syria Earthquake Relief

On Wednesday, February 8th, Pope Francis issued an appeal for help for all those affected as the death toll soars. *“With emotion I pray for them, and express my closeness to these peoples, the families of the victims and to all those who are suffering from this devastating calamity”*. He urges everyone to show solidarity with these territories.

Our appeal to the catholic school students is to pray for all those children affected by the earthquake, as well as to reach out to them with financial aid. We are asking all catholic schools to gather funds between February 18-26, 2023.

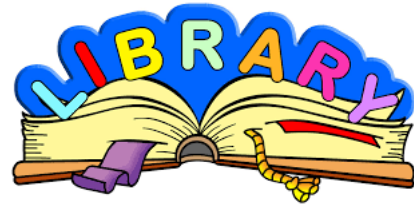
Please make checks payable to THE MISSIONARY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION – memo: TURKEY/SYRIA NATURAL DISASTER. Donations may be mailed to MISSIONARY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION, 3424 Wilshire Boulevard – 3rd Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90010. If anyone wishes to make an online donation, they may do so at: <https://missionsla.org/product/donate>.



8th Grade Diplomas



It is important for all 8th grade parents to respond to Mrs. Hernandez. She has sent out a notice asking for your input on the name you want printed on your child's diploma. The deadline to submit your child's name is February 24th. After this date, the diploma will have the students' name on our school records.



Note from our School Librarian "Music of Change"

As February ends, our celebration of Black Heritage Month closes by highlighting the accomplishments and contributions of various individuals to our American society. However, having watched the recent Super Bowl, I was reminded of a musical contribution that speaks to the struggles for freedom, the singing of "Lift Every Voice and Sing." Its creation in 1900, and its inspiration over generations is addressed in a children's book, "Sing a Song" by Kelly Lyons. Also, a now more familiar song, with origin in the culture of the African American Church, is "We shall Overcome." The life of this song is chronicled in Debby Levy's book, "We Shall Overcome: The Story of a Song." Both books are now part of our Library collection. The songs can also be enjoyed on a variety of YouTube videos.

VIRTUS CLASS COMING TO ST. BRIDGET



VIRTUS class in English is scheduled for March 18th from 10am-1pm. Please add to your calendar and please share with those who are in need of the class. You MUST call the Church Office to reserve your place in the class.



We continue to need help as follows:

- Cleaning lunch tables every day after lunch
- Painting walls to stage & back wall of stage
 - Plumbing in staff exterior restroom
- Installing bulletin board in front of TK Room
- Installing blind in 8th gr Room (Safety issue)
 - Installing new Boiler (URGENT!!)**

Donation Items needed:

For every \$20 donated, 1 hour of Service Credit:

- Gift Card - Costco
- Gift Card - Amazon
- Large Round Paper Towels for dispensers (purchased at janitorial supply and/or Amazon)
 - Hand Soap for Restroom Dispensers
 - Large Black Trash Bags
 - HP OfficeJet 525S color & Black ink



February: 🍪 Black History Month

Wednesday, Feb 22: Ash Wednesday

March: 👩 Women's History Month

Tuesday, March 2: 📖 Read Across America Day (Dr. Seuss Day)

Saturday, March 4: K of C Basketball Free Throw Finalist Competition

Sunday, March 5: School Mass hosted by 1st/2nd Graders

Tuesday, March 14: 🥧 Pi Day

Wednesday, March 15: KofC Spelling Bee-Grades 1&2

Thursday, March 16: Kof C Spelling Bee-Grades 3&4

Friday, March 17: 🍀 St. Patrick's Day

Monday, March 20: 🌸 First Day of Spring

Friday, March 31: COLOR RUN!

APRIL: EARTH MONTH

Mon-Wed, April 3-5: Dismissal at 12:30pm

Thursday, April 6: Holy Thursday - NO SCHOOL

Last Supper/Washing of the Feet Services

Friday, April 7: Good Friday - NO SCHOOL
EVENT???

Saturday, April 8: Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil Services

Sunday, April 9: EASTER SUNDAY

Mon - Fri., April 10 - 14 Easter Vacation

Monday, April 17: Return from Vacation

RESERVE THE DATES

For upcoming events, see the attached flyers.



Orange & Aqua Boombox

Hip Hop Class

FREE TRIAL CLASS FRIDAY

FEBRUARY 24TH

CLASS BEGINS FRIDAY, MARCH 3RD

2:45 pm - 3:45 pm AGES 7 & UP

READ ACROSS AMERICA CELEBRATE DR. SEUSS DAY

We invite all students, staff and parents to join Dr. Seuss on **March 2nd** in his "wacky" ways and come to school dressed to impress and inspire.

Our goal is to promote the love of reading!

(See the attached flyer)