

SAINT IGNATIUS LOYOLA WEEKLY

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Dear Parents,

It was so nice to see so many of you at Friday evening's Celtic Celebration. It was clear that a good time was had by all.

Prayer for Parents

On a good day, Lord I:

Wake up with a smile;
Make my bed whistling;
Enjoy uninterrupted time in the bathroom;
Get dressed without rushing;
Have a leisurely breakfast
Am calm with the dog.

On a good day, Lord, I:

Answer questions patiently;
Make allowances for mistakes;
Insist on helping others out cheerfully;
Am very respectful;
Can cope with any crisis.

But, Lord, when I have a good day
Sometimes my mom or dad aren't lucky.

I can tell they don't have a good day.

So, my prayer for them is this:

Look after them...
Don't let them get sick...
Help them not to worry too much (especially about me) ...
Don't overload them...
Remind them they need time out...
Help them not to stress out over kids...

I know you listen, Lord.
You know our every need.
Please make this prayer come true. Amen.

Have a good week!

Sincerely,

Mary E. Larkin
Principal

Attached to the Weekly is the following:

Permission Slip – Grade 1

Please review and return promptly.

***Important to Note:**

- Thursday, March 9th – **Lenten Prayer Service** – Grades K-3.
- Friday, March 10th – **Religion Conference Day – No School.**
- Sunday, March 12th – **Daylight Savings Time – Move clocks 1 hour ahead.**
- Tuesday, March 14th – **Speech Bee** at St. Joseph’s of Yorkville, at 12:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 15th - **Lenten Prayer Service** - Grades 4-8.
- Thursday, March 16th – **Lenten Prayer Service** – Grades K-3.
- Friday, March 17th – **St. Patrick’s Day – No School.**
- Sunday, March 19th – **St. Joseph’s Day.**
- Wednesday, March 22nd - **Lenten Prayer Service** - Grades 4-8.
- Thursday, March 23rd - **Lenten Prayer Service** – Grades K-3.

***Parent Information:**

- **Financial Assistance**
On Monday, March 13th, we will launch our thirteenth year of financial assistance via the School and Student Service for Financial Aid, known as SSS. This organization is recognized as the industry-leading tool for schools that desire to manage a financial aid program with professionalism and sensitivity. If a family chooses to apply, SSS will provide our school with an objective and confidential third party report that will guide us in appropriating funds for tuition assistance. The following principles are in effect for any family who wishes to be considered for financial assistance:
 1. Saint Ignatius Loyola School is **not in the position of funding full tuition or half tuition dollars** via the SSS procedure.
 2. Each family member who is enrolled at Saint Ignatius Loyola School for the 2017–2018 school year who wishes to apply for financial assistance must be able to offset 60% of the given base tuition for the current school year. This amount **does not include the Building Fund Fee of \$1,400.00**, which every family is responsible for paying.
 3. Parents must submit a request for financial assistance in writing to the principal. The deadline for this request **must be submitted no later than** Tuesday, April 25, 2017. **Because this is time sensitive, regretfully we will not honor any requests after the deadline.**
 4. The school will then provide a Parent Financial Statement Guide. The form must be completed and filed online with SSS.
 5. A family requesting assistance is required to submit, to the Principal, a copy of their latest filed income tax return (2016) in order to complete the SSS/PFS process, which needs to be received before a determination of financial assistance can be made. All information will be held in the strictest confidence within the administration.
 6. Saint Ignatius Loyola School continues to seek funding for scholarship via the Annual Fund by reaching out to various constituents of our school community, including parents, alumni and other organizations, in an effort to offset the Financial Assistance budget line.
 7. For the 2017–2018 school year, \$80,000 will be the budget line reserved to assist families within the above guidelines. For 2017-2018, 100% of this fund will be used for current families who have already proven their commitment to the mission of the school.

Please know that I am available to meet with you to discuss any concerns that you may have, including financial obligations, for your child’s continued education at Saint Ignatius Loyola School.

As a gentle reminder, the tuition policy for the 2016 – 2017 school year is as follows:

1. Enrollment in Smart Tuition is mandatory.
 2. In order to receive the Catholic tuition rate, your child(ren) must be a baptized Roman Catholic.
 3. Tuition and fee payments must always be up to date.
 4. Report cards may be withheld by the Administration in any given quarter if there is an outstanding balance.
 5. The Building Fund Fee must be paid in full by **Friday, February 17, 2017** in order to hold your child's seat for the 2017–2018 school year.
 6. All tuition and fees for the 2016 - 2017 school year must be paid in full by **Friday, June 9, 2017** or your child's seat will be forfeited for the coming school year.
- The **Christmas DVDs** are available for pick up in the main office.
 - **Eighth Grade Parent Information Confirmation Data Sheets** must be completed and returned directly to the principal's office no later than **Thursday, March 30th**.

Eighth Grade Retreat

All Eighth Grade students are required to attend the retreat on Wednesday, April 26th. This includes students who are not being confirmed. The retreat is a part of the Eighth Grade's Religion curriculum.

Yearbook

Eighth grade students were given directory and donation requests on Monday. Please note the deadline is Thursday, March 9th.

- **Congratulations**
On Saturday, March 4th, Saint Ignatius Loyola School competed in the New York City Regional Science Olympiad. This is our ninth year participating in this nationally held competition. Nearly five hundred students from thirty-three private and public schools throughout the five boroughs participated in the New York City Regionals. Awards were given to the top six teams in each science event. Saint Ignatius Loyola School won a total of 10 medals and finished eighth in the competition.

Saint Ignatius Loyola School's Science Olympiad Team consisted of the following fifteen students:

Seventh Grade

Marie Check
Connor Corcoran
Ryley Evans
Philip Krauss
Diego Lopez
Sean Lyons
Daniel Math

Eighth Grade

Nicolas Casey
Thomas Clarke
Sarah Dudley
Patrick Jennings
Carolina Lopez
Valentina Marini-Fichera
Elena Oehler
Colette Sumberac

The following students won medals for their individual projects:

Sarah Dudley and Colette Sumberac – First Place for their **Write It, Do It** project.
Thomas Clarke and Carolina Lopez – Second Place for their **Disease Detectives** project.
Connor Corcoran and Philip Krauss – Second Place for their **Scrambler** project.
Connor Corcoran and Elena Oehler – Third Place for their **Meteorology** project.
Nicolas Casey and Marie Check – Fourth Place for their **Fast Facts** project.

Congratulations to our 2017 Science Olympiad Team!

News from the Development Office

Celtic Celebration

Thank you to all who attended the event and for making the evening a huge success!

An additional thank you to the committee and to all who volunteered to help with the decorations, food and desserts, crafts, raffles and the clean up!

Our 'in-house' musicians along with the Aherne Sheehan Dance team helped make the night a memorable one.

Auction 2017

Our 2017 Auction is fast approaching. The Auction will be held on Saturday, April 29th, in Wallace Hall. The evening's success is through the support of you and our community.

We need items for our Live Auction, Silent Auction and our Online Auction.

Unique life experiences, such as tickets to sporting events, theater and concerts, are perfect for the Live Auction. Gift cards to local shops, restaurants, spas, museums are perfect for the Silent Auction, along with handbags, signed sports memorabilia, etc.

Please contact the Development Office at extension 135 if you would like an Auction form and letter sent to you electronically. THANK YOU!

If you are interested in volunteering for the event, please join us at our next Auction meeting on Wednesday, March 15th at 8:30 a.m. We expect that the meeting should last no longer than 45 minutes.

- **STARS Summer Camp**

It may be cold outside, but it will be getting warm very soon and it will be time to start making summer plans! Camp is scheduled to run for four weeks beginning June 21st through July 14th.

This year, we are excited to bring back many of last year's great features which include our General Day Camp option, our Extended Day Feature, the Daily Rate Option and the option to pay for camp through Smart Tuition.

We are happy to share that many of our teachers will be returning to put on their camp counselor hats. Campers will have the opportunity to attend some great field trips. Last year, the trips included a Staten Island Yankees game, Medieval Times and bowling, just to name a few. This summer we hope to create even more exciting camp memories.

We hope to see you this summer at camp!

- **News from the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola**

Meeting Christ in Prayer

Meeting Christ in Prayer is an interactive 8-week guided prayer experience for small groups. Based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola, it introduces participants to various ways of praying and provides an opportunity to support one another through faith sharing.

What does the program offer? Weekly meetings are 90 minutes long and include group prayer, guided meditation, small group faith sharing, and an orientation for the following week's prayer or prayer techniques. The cost of the program is a sliding scale of \$30-\$50 and covers all materials. Scholarships are available. To register, email MCIP@saintignatiusloyola.org

Meeting Place – Church of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish House – 980 Park Avenue

Morning Sessions

Tuesdays, February 7 – March 29*

9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Meeting Place – Church of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish House – 980 Park Avenue

Evening Sessions

Wednesdays, February 8 – March 29*

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

*Note: Both sessions will conclude with the evening celebration of Mass on Wednesday, March 29.

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