

SAINT IGNATIUS LOYOLA WEEKLY

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I hope you had the opportunity to take some time and enjoy your families. It is hard to believe that we are in the home stretch of the school year. That being said, there is still much to be accomplished in the school year. As the days get longer, this is the time when settling everyone in for the evening after sports, musical rehearsals, piano lessons and the like seems to get more and more challenging. On those more challenging evenings, stop, take a breath, say a prayer and all will be okay.

I look forward to seeing you on Saturday evening at the auction.

Have a good week!

Sincerely,

Mary E. Larkin
Principal

Attached to the Weekly are the following:

Permission Slip – Grade K
Permission Slip – Grade 1
Permission Slip – Grade 2
Parent Safety Patrol Calendar – Grade 6
Confirmation Gowns – Grade 8
Flynn & O’Hara Uniform Measuring Day Flyer – Grades K-7
CulinArt May Lunch Menu – Grades K-8
Godspell Jr. Musical Flyer - Grades K-8

Please review these materials and promptly return those that need to be returned.

***Important to Note:**

- In recent weeks, there has been much conversation in the media regarding the Netflix Series “13 Reasons Why.” I would suggest, if your son or daughter is discussing watching the series, that you preview the show prior to his/her watching it or that you watch it along with your son or daughter. Talking together about the show would be best. If your child has already watched the series, I encourage you to talk with him or her about the show.

The series is very graphic and has a tendency to romanticize events. There are so many good conversation pieces here for parents to have a dialog with their children. It is equally important to note that the series is meant for students in high school, since it is based on characters of high school age.

- Thursday, April 27th – **Report Card Conferences for Grades K, 1, and 2** from 3:15 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please note there will be **NO After School Care or Clubs for students in the Kindergarten through Second Grade on Thursday, April 27th.**

- Friday, April 28th - **Report Card Conferences for Grades K, 1, and 2** from 3:15 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please note there will be NO After School Care or Clubs for students in the Kindergarten through Second Grade on Friday, April 28th.
- **After School Care will be available for students in Grades 3-8 only on Thursday, April 27th and Friday, April 28th.**
- Friday, April 28th – **Auction Set-Up in Wallace Hall.**
- Saturday, April 29th – **Special Event: Auction 2017.**
- Tuesday, May 2nd through Thursday, May 4th - **NYS Math Exams Grades 3-8.**
- Monday, May 8th – **Flynn & O’Hara Uniform Company** will be available for our current Families from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. in the cafeteria. New Families from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.
- Monday, May 8th through Friday, May 12th - **ITBS Exams Grades K-8.**
- Tuesday, May 9th – **Marian Prayer Service** Grades K-8 at 1:15 p.m. in the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola.
- Thursday, May 11th – **Special Event: Spring Musical** at 7:00 p.m. in McKinnon Hall.
- Friday, May 12th – **Faculty Meeting - 12:00 p.m. Dismissal. No After School Care.**
- Friday, May 12th - **Special Event: Spring Musical** at 7:00 p.m. in McKinnon Hall.
- Saturday, May 13th - **Special Event: Spring Musical** - Matinee 1:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. in McKinnon Hall.

***Parent Information:**

- **Eighth Grade Information:**
Confirmation Practice for Students and Parents on **Monday, May 1st at 7:00 p.m.** in the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola. Attendance at the evening practice is highly recommended.
- Thursday, May 4th –**Confirmation Ceremony** at 2:00 p.m. in the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola. Grade 8 students only will be dismissed at 11:30 a.m.
- Students and their sponsors must return to school no later than 1:15 p.m. We will gather in McKinnon Hall.
- **Second Grade Information:**
Tuesday, May 2nd – **First Holy Communion Practice** at 7:00 p.m. in the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola.

Saturday, May 6th – **First Holy Communion** at 10:00 a.m. in Church. **Life Touch Photographer** will be here to take photos at 8:00 a.m. in McKinnon Hall.

It is important to note that the **last picture will be taken at 9:40 a.m.** in order for everyone to be seated in church on time.
- If you would like to purchase a **First Holy Communion DVD**, please complete the order form on the last page of the Weekly.
- **Survey**
Over the course of the next few weeks, you will be receiving a survey from a representative of the Archdiocese of New York. The premise of the survey is for us to reflect on, “What we do well in Saint Ignatius Loyola School” and “What you feel we can do better.” Your feedback will give us a better understanding of we can do to improve as we look ahead to the 2017-2018 school year.

- **Grades Kindergarten through Second Grade**

Class 1-1 is learning about the post office in Social Studies. On Monday, April 10th, the students opened their own post office! Students in the Kindergarten through Second Grade may purchase post cards and stamps for 1 cent each. They will then be able to send mail to their school friends and teachers on the third floor. The post office will be open each morning through Friday, May 5th. The hours of the post office will be from 8:20 a.m. to 8:35 a.m. Post cards and stamps will be available for purchase each morning.

The first-grade students have visited the other classrooms on the third floor to explain their project. All proceeds from the 1-1 Post Office will be donated to the Ethel M. Taylor Academy in Cincinnati, Ohio. To learn more about this school in need, please visit <http://www.cincinnati.com/story/news/2015/04/18/millvale-cincinnati-poverty-children-urbanpoverty/25949437/>

Thank you in advance for your support!

- **Spring Musical**

Attached to today's Weekly is the flyer to this year's musical *Godspell*. If you are planning on attending the performance, information regarding the tickets is attached.

If you are available to volunteer at the concession stands at any of the performances, please contact Ms. Anna Sakalis in the Development Office.

- **News from the Development Office**

- **Auction 2017**

Our annual auction is this Saturday, April 29th, from 6:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. in Wallace Hall. Our Special Events Committee along with many volunteers have been hard at work to ensure a fun-filled, successful evening.

Thank you for the strong response so far! There are still tickets available if you have not yet R.S.V.P'd to the event.

We have fantastic Live Auction items such as a beach vacation to Waikiki, Hawaii, The Ultimate NY Giants Experience, RAO's, The Leopard at des Artistes, Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, Hamilton tickets, Billy Joel tickets and many more exciting experiences!

Our Silent Auction items include Mikimoto pearls, couture handbags, theater tickets, TUMI luggage, special events at The Paley Center for Media, dinner at Cipriani Restaurant, dinner at Tiro A Segno, a relaxing vacation at Loews Miami Beach, sports tickets ... and much more!

Additional items will also be available on online starting this Thursday, April 27th. <https://www.biddingforgood.com/silauktion>. You will need to register and update your charge information. Do not forget to fill all the required fields (marked by asterisks) and check "I Agree to BiddingForGood's Terms of Use."

The Online Auction is scheduled to close on Friday, May 5th at 10:00 p.m.

You can also lend your support through underwriting. Your donation will help underwrite costs such as printing, catering, decorations, entertainment and teacher/student experiences.

Auction volunteers are needed for the following:

Friday, April 28th – setting up and decorating Wallace Hall/Cafeteria from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 29th - volunteers to finish decorating Wallace Hall from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 29th – volunteers needed to assist during the event

Saturday, April 29th – all hands-on deck needed for breakdown of the event.

If you wish to volunteer, please contact Christy Messina.

Feel free to contact Ms. Anna Sakalis in the Development Office if you have any questions. Ms. Sakalis's phone number is 212-861-3820 x135.

- **Golf Tournament**

Please join us for the 14th Annual David K. Oing Golf Tournament to be held on Wednesday, May 17, 2017. The invitation for the golf tournament was included as an attachment in the April 5th weekly. Please reach out to Anna Sakalis with any questions or if you need additional invitation forms.

Annual Fund

We are truly grateful for all your support. As a gentle reminder, you can still contribute to the Saint Ignatius Loyola School Annual Fund. No donation is too small.

- **Strings Program**

Beginning Orchestra and all Monday lessons will be made up on **Monday, May 8th**.

- **After School Care**

As a gentle reminder, after school care ends at 5:50 p.m. We appreciate and understand the occasional running late and problems with New York City traffic but, as is noted in the handbook, you will be assessed a late fee if your child is not picked up by 5:50 p.m.

- **Looking ahead to the 2017– 2018 School Year**

As we look ahead to the 2017 – 2018 School Year, a gentle reminder from the Office of Pupil Transportation (O.P.T.) in the Department of Education regarding the school bus policy that Saint Ignatius Loyola School is required to follow.

Only students in the Kindergarten through the Sixth Grade are permitted to ride the yellow school bus. Students in the seventh grade and eighth grade are not permitted to ride the yellow school bus.

Only the students signed up to take the yellow school bus, may take the bus. In the event your child has a scheduled play date with someone who does not normally take the bus, you will need to find a different mode of transportation for them on that particular day.

Metro cards will be issued to students in the seventh grade and/or eighth grade depending on their distance from Saint Ignatius Loyola School.

Contact Mrs. Danielle Smith, at extension 126, if your child will need a metro card for the **2017 – 2018** school year and **does not** already have a metro card.

Please fill out and return:

First Holy Communion DVD Order Form

Child's Name _____ Class _____

Number of DVDs requested: _____ x \$40 per copy = \$ _____ Check # _____

Parent Signature

Date

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