

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School



September 19, 2022

THE NOTE!

This is the first day we've had to have our morning meeting and prayer inside. I prefer outside for sure! But, as I look out my window, the skies are clearing and I hear kids playing! It's going to be a great Monday!

Good luck to the JCJH Baseball team in their regional championship tonight @ Casey vs. Cumberland. Go Eagles! A few of our boys and I are headed that way to cheer them on!

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Book Fair all week

Cheer, GBB and CC practices/meets continue

Monday: Mid-terms coming home

Tuesday: Mrs. Bierman gone in the A.M. for training in Vandalia, CC @ Cumberland cancelled-practice only, Pre-K family night 5:30 in cafeteria

Wednesday: Teacher's Institute – NO SCHOOL, Youth Choir 5:30

Thursday: Lori out of office in the A.M.

Friday: All-School Mass (6)

Sunday: Garage Sale Set-up 3:00 (If you're available, please help)

ATTACHED/IN PACKET: Trashbag order forms, Picture day reminders, Garage Sale worker list (still need help)

- Just a reminder that there is **NO SCHOOL ON WEDNESDAY**. I hate that it is in the middle of the week. Praying that you will all be able to find daycare! Thanks for your patience.
- We are looking for **help in the cafeteria** this Friday, Sept. 23rd from 9 a.m.-1:00 p.m. This is for fair share hours.

- The **book fair** continues this week. It is open in the mornings before school and at lunch time. Thanks to everyone who has already made purchases and to those moms who are working during lunch.
- Next Friday is the **porkburger sale** for Booster Club. If you want to help with it, let me know. We also use our 8th graders for part of it.
- There are still several places that we need **help for the garage sale**. Let me know if you can help or if you get free time next week, stop by and help for a little while.
- Just a reminder to be selling your **church picnic raffle tickets!** We have more here in the office if you need them! I could always use a tractor for Christmas ☺!
- The **St. Thomas CYO** will be hosting free games for kids at the church picnic. If you'd like to help out, they are looking for variety packs of chips or candy bars and also soda and water to give as prizes. You can send in with your kids or drop off at church. Thanks!
- We are beginning one of our fundraisers this week. In your packet is the order form for **trashbags**. These are good quality and the fundraiser is through a Dieterich family. It's nice selling things that we actually need and use. Please return orders by next **Friday, Sept. 30th**.
- **Mid-terms** come home today for 1st-8th grades. Please know that the teachers are here to help. If you have any questions, let us know.
- It's so great to see our young students **singing at church**. It takes a lot of courage to get up there in front of the congregation. What a wonderful way to serve!
- Pray for **good weather next week** during the garage sale – no gym access for recess!
- I want to thank those who worked **Bingo** Friday night. I know they all fall on home football games this year, but I can't change them due to our state license. The next Bingo is Homecoming Friday night, Oct. 7th. If you are willing to work Bingo, please let me know.
- If anyone is interested in exploring the idea of **joining the Catholic church**, please call the church office. They are starting preparations.
- I have had families ask about **payments for tuition**, etc. Tuition and other payments can be made in any amount at any time. I think it's better to make some payment than none at all. Checks for tuition should be made to the church, but can be sent in with your kids. No amount is too small. If you'd like to have tuition payments taken out of your banking account, contact Linda at church and she can help you set that up. Other payments are made to St. Thomas School.

- **Booster Club** meets next Wednesday evening at the KC Hall at 6:00. All are welcome to attend. We'd like to have all **Soup Supper stand managers** at this meeting. I'll buy the first round!

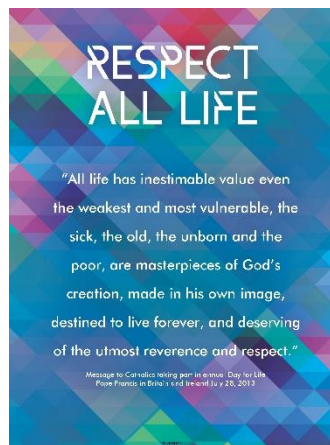
**Life Chain 2022 - Respect Life Sunday -
Sunday, Oct. 2, 2022**

For Jasper County to be held in Newton

2:00 PM - Prayer Service on courthouse square.

Life Chain immediately following until 3:00 PM.

We will stand on the sidewalks along Routes 33 and 130 as a prayerful, peaceful, and legal witness for the Unborn. Please feel free to bring your own signs and show your support for LIFE. For further information, call Diann Ruholl 217-663-2056. This is a church and family event; participants are to respect all other pedestrians and motorists.



I've always loved this when I see it and wanted to share – I had a student (when teaching high school) tell his parents that I said if he was too tired, he didn't have to do his homework for my class. They believed it. I also had that same student tell me that his mom told him as long as he comes to school, he didn't have to do any work and that sleeping in class was okay. I didn't believe him, but never actually knew if she really said that. We really do have to work together!

