



Together, We Are Family

May 9th 2019

From the desk of Principal Gannon



WHAT'S BUZZING AT SCHOOL

Our students are working on completing their final NWEA MAP assessments of the school year. Once all the assessments are complete, we will be able to see how our students' academics grew this school year. Tuesday, Little Flowers, Beautiful You Girls, and their advisors helped plan a wonderful May Crowning of Mary. Our school gathered in the Church to witness this crowning and took time together in prayer. We would like to thank the Little Flowers, Beautiful You Girls, and all their advisors for organizing a beautiful and prayerful May Crowning. That was a nice way to end our school day and to remind ourselves what Mary has done for each of us. Wednesday, our band students put in their final preparations for their band concerts. Tomorrow, our First Graders will lead our school in a special Mass for Mother's Day. In the afternoon our band students will put on two performances for our school and families. Please continue to keep our students and staff in your prayers as we continue to keep you in ours.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SECOND GRADERS

We would like to congratulate our Second Graders who received their First Holy Communion. We hope all who received Jesus for the first time will continue to keep Him at the center of their lives.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank all those parents who helped last Friday when St. Francis was visiting. We are thankful that you were able to come and celebrate the day with us. We appreciate you serving us lunch and helping with the activities.

MASS AND MUFFINS WITH MOM IS TOMORROW

Tomorrow, May 10th, you are invited to attend a special Mother's Day Mass with your child(ren) at 8:00 am led by Grade 1. Following Mass, there will be muffins, coffee, and juice with a special Mother's Day slide show.

SPRING BAND CONCERT TOMORROW

We would like to invite you to our St. Helen School Spring Band Concert, tomorrow, May 10th at 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm in the school gym. Mr. Bell and our band students have been working very hard to prepare for this concert. Please consider attending.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

From everyone at St. Helen School, we would like to wish all the moms a Happy Mother's Day. God bless.

FIELD DAY

Tuesday, May 14th is our annual Field Day. Each student will receive a green or yellow St. Helen Field Day shirt that corresponds to their team color. Field Day shirts will be given out Tuesday morning, so please send your child(ren) in with appropriate length shorts, shirt, and athletic shoes. Our Eighth Graders have been preparing a great Field Day for our students with the guidance of Mrs. Hotchkiss and Mrs. Joyce. Our Boosters will be providing the students with a morning snack, lunch (hamburgers, chips, and juice), and a popsicle afternoon snack. We will have water stations set up throughout the events, but you may send an individual water bottle in as well. If Tuesday is a sunny day, please send your child in wearing sunscreen since we will be outside most of the day. We are hoping for a beautiful day and so we can partake in all the Field Day fun.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY FOR FIELD DAY

If you are available Tuesday, we could use helpers to pass out snacks, serve food, and enjoy in the fun. Please contact the school office or email Mrs. Romagni (jromagni@sthelen.com) if you are available to help that day.

YOUNG GARDENERS MEETING CANCELED

The Young Gardeners meeting scheduled for Wednesday, May 15th has been canceled. Thank you for a great year.

HORNET'S 5K HUSTLE NEXT WEEKEND

On Saturday, May 18th at 9:00 am the Hornet's 5K Hustle will take place at Punderson State Park. Preregistration closes this Saturday, May 11th at the reduced rate, but you can still register up until the day of the race. Dogs are welcomed at the race if they are on a leash. If you need another registration form, please contact the school office. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Jody Grzywinski by email at jodygrzywinski@sbcglobal.net or at 440-321-5948.

ATTENTION KINDERGARTEN FAMILIES FOR 2019-2020

We will have our Kindergarten Screening Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, May 20th - 22nd. If you have any questions or need to sign up for a time, please call the school office at 440-564-7125.

LAST DAY(S) OF SCHOOL

Our school year is coming to a close. Preschool will finish their classes next week and end with their end of the year celebration on Thursday. Kindergarten's last day of school is Friday, May 17th with their Kindergarten Celebration. Our Eighth Graders' last day of school is Tuesday, May 21st with their Honors and Awards ceremony, brunch, and graduation. Students in First through Seventh Grades' last day of school is Thursday, May 23rd. On May 23rd, we will gather in the Church at 10:30 am for honors and awards, and our last school Mass of the school year at 11:00 am. After Mass we invite all our families to attend our end of the school year picnic. There will be no hot lunch that day, so please pack a lunch and stay. Once your family is done with lunch you are free to begin summer vacation. Aftercare will be available May 23rd until 5:30 pm.

RE-REGISTRATION FOR 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

Registration for the 2019-2020 school year at St. Helen School is now open. The re-registration form, current tuition rates, and information about scholarships were mailed home and can be on our school website. If you have not registered yet, please fill out the form as soon as you can or contact the school office at 440-564-7125 if you have a question or concern.

PHOTOS OF OUR EIGHTH GRADERS NEEDED

Attention Eighth Grade family, we are asking for a few favorite photos of your graduating child. The photos can even be with their fellow classmates. Please email the photos to Mrs. Hollowell at shollowell@sthelen.com as soon as possible. Thank you.

PLANT SALE AT FOUR GREEN FIELDS

Help us grow some funds for our school by buying hanging baskets, annuals, herbs, vegetables, berry plants, fruit trees, quart perennials, and knockout roses at Four Green Fields this May. The plant sale at Four Green Fields will run through May during the weekdays. They are open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 9:00 am through 6:00 pm and Wednesdays from 9:00 am through 12:00 pm. Just mention "St. Helen School" while you are checking out and our school will receive part of the proceeds. Four Green Fields is located at 13111 Ravenna Road in Chardon. Their phone number is 440-285-4600. Thank you for your continued support.

AMERICAN RED CROSS

The American Red Cross will be at St Helen's in the gym this Sunday, May 26th, 2019 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. Please login to www.redcrossblood.org to schedule an appointment, especially if you can donate platelets or power red. Please bring your American Red Cross donor card or another form of identification with you. If you need assistance call 1-800-REDCROSS. Anyone who donates blood will receive a \$5 Amazon gift card. Please consider helping those that need blood as well as helping our students at St. Helen School who benefit from this drive.

SAVE THE DATE - VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

A note from Mrs. Maria Flauto. "Vacation Bible School will be June 17-21 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. All parish children entering Kindergarten through Fifth Grade next school year are invited to attend! The theme this year is ROAR! LIFE IS WILD! GOD IS GOOD! Please see the flyer in the Thursday Folder."

SAVE THE DATE - JEWELRY CAMP

A note from Mrs. Hotchkiss. "Jewelry Camp will be July 15-19 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. All St. Helen School students entering Second through Eighth Grade next school year are invited to attend! More information coming soon."

SAVE THE DATE - FITNESS CAMP

A note from Mrs. Hotchkiss. "Fitness Camp will be August 5-9 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. All St. Helen School students entering Second through Eighth Grade next school year are invited to attend! More information coming soon."

STILL HAVE A QUESTION OR A CONCERN

If you have any questions or concerns about our school, your child's progress, or if you would like to talk to me about something, please contact Mr. Gannon to schedule a meeting. You can reach me through my email, pgannon@sthelen.com, the school office phone, 440-564-7125, or my cell phone, 440-785-5608. I will do my best to get back to you as soon as I can.