

September News

*The mission of St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School
Is to be a Gospel presence in our diverse community
And provide opportunities to develop each child's
God given talents.*



WELCOME BACK!

Office Hours: 7:45-4:00 (full days) 8:00-12:00 (1/2 days)

School Days: Children can arrive as early as 7:45 am. The first bell rings at 7:55 and the tardy bell rings at 8:00. Any student arriving after 8:00 am will be marked tardy. Our school day ends at 3:30. All students enter and are dismissed through the main school doors. **Any students not picked up by 3:40 will be sent to latchkey and families will be charged accordingly.**

Lunch: The hot lunch program will start on Monday, September 18th. All lunch forms must be turned in with payment. Lunch orders received without payment will be returned. **Please remember we cannot heat up, cook, or keep cold any items brought in for lunch.**

Weekly Masses: It is important to model our Catholic faith by attending Mass weekly as a school. If your schedule permits, please join us for Mass on Wednesday mornings at 8:15. Your children will be happy to see you there.

Uniforms: All students in Grades K-8 are required to wear uniforms daily unless a non-uniform day is scheduled. Uniforms can be purchased through:
**Connie's Children's Shop – St. Clair Shores
Land's End (School #: 900168956)**

Appointments: The courtesy of an appointment is requested to meet with teachers or administrators. The teachers and administrators first responsibility is to their students. Please do not ask teachers to discuss concerns with you when their eyes and ears need to be on the students. Appointments can be made with the teacher or by calling the school office and are available in person or over the phone before and after school.

Immunizations: Be sure your children are up-to-date on their immunizations. Remember---Vaccine waiver forms are not available in the school office.

**You must contact Wayne County to obtain a waiver.
We cannot accept a waiver without the WCHD stamp.**

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear St. Clare Families,

As I write this column, the Used Book Sale is underway. The Social hall looks amazing filled with thousands of donated books that will certainly appeal to all ages and interests. Thank you to Tamara Smith, and the many volunteers who worked countless hours to make this event so inviting to our community. I have already been shopping and purchased some great books. I also saw some happy students leaving the book sale eager to show off their new purchases.

The Opening School Mass was yesterday. I must tell you how impressed I was with Mrs. Beach's 7th Grade class. They were responsible for this week's Mass. Yesterday we celebrated the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. The cross is the one symbol most often identified with Jesus and his Church. The 7th graders made crosses for everyone. After Fr. Andrew blessed the crosses they were passed out to each student and teacher as well as parishioners who were at Mass. The music and voices of the children's choir were magnificent. A big thank you to Mr. Ward and Sr. Kathy for their dedicated work with the choir.

This year's theme **BE BOLD, BE BRAVE, BE COURAGEOUS** was introduced at Mass. Each 7th grader came forward to say what this theme means to them. It was awesome to hear their personal descriptions.

Sunday is the Mass Mob. The Archdiocese of Detroit chose churches with schools to host this special Mass. I encourage all our families to attend. If you live within walking distance, I encourage you to walk as the parking will be very limited.

I wish you all a blessed month. Thank you all for your support in my new administrative position. I feel so honored to be at St. Clare School. The children truly make each day joyful. This is why we are all here. It was, is, and will always be about the children.

Yours in Christ,
Ann Tonissen

IMPORTANT SEPTEMBER DATES

13 – 17	Used Book Sale
17	Mass Mob @ 11:00 am
18	Hot Lunch Program Begins
18	Picture Day
29	Non-Uniform Day

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL PICTURES!

