



May Mayhem

May 15, 2019

Details on Upcoming Events:

4th through 8th Grade Band Concert, Thursday, May 16th, 7:00:

The Band Concert is a wonderful culmination of the hard work of the students in Band. Students are to report to the Cafeteria area at 6:40 p.m. They should dress up – appropriate to a performance. Traditionally, there is a little reception that follows, and we have learned to simplify that over the years. If families are able to bring 2 dozen cookies, already plated on something disposable, that is easiest. There will also be punch or lemonade. Cookies may be delivered to the tables set up in the cafeteria before the concert. Please also consider bringing a couple dollars, (no more than \$5) – and either send it to the office on Thursday morning, or give it to Lory Truschel on Thursday evening, as she will purchase a gift/gift card for Mrs. Traugh from the band students. Also, please be sure that younger siblings understand that this is a concert and that in order for everybody to enjoy the performance, they will need to sit quietly on the bleachers. We are always family friendly – but we need to honor the work of our performers by keeping the distractions to a minimum.

5th through 8th Grade Athletic Assembly, Thursday, May 16th, 11:00:

Students on our Middle School JV and Varsity teams will be recognized by team on Thursday at an assembly during the school day. This is a change from past athletic awards. As the number of athletes and teams has increased, we moved in the direction of team celebrations at the end of the season; and then this school day assembly where the player on all of these teams are recognized team by team. The awards for Most Improved, Most Valuable, and Sportsman will also be announced for the Varsity (7th/8th Grade) Teams. Parents are welcome to attend, and we hold this assembly for the first time this Thursday.

2nd Grade Field Trip to Old Economy, Friday, May 17th

High School Spring Dance, Friday, May 17th, 6:00 – 10:30, Butler Country Club

High School students dismissed upon return from morning field trip (about noon)
8th Graders dismissed after 3rd Block – 1:15

4th Grade Trip to Fort Pitt, Monday, May 20th

6th and 7th Grade Field Trips, Monday May 20th (pack a lunch)

May Crowning, Tuesday, May 21st, 10:45 a.m. (beginning outdoors, weather permitting). Our 2nd Graders, dressed in First Communion clothing, lead the procession to honor and crown Mary, Our Mother, in this month of May. 8th Grade also participates in the day in a special way and should dress up as well (shirt and tie, with or without jacket; dress for the girls). To prevent overcrowding of the Chapel, knowing that families of 2nd graders will be joining us, students in grades 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12 will have the option of Mass Study Hall on this day, after participating in the procession and presenting a flower to Our Lady.

4th Grade “Joseph” Plays:

Mrs. Miller’s class, Tuesday, May 21st, 9am or 1 pm

Ms. Crawford’s class, Wednesday, May 22nd, 9 am or 1 pm

2nd Grade Poetry Day Recitation:

Mrs. Mutschler’s Class, Tuesday, May 21st, following May Crowning Luncheon

High School Winter/Spring Athletic Awards, Wednesday, May 22nd, 6:30 in the Rhodora (Please RSVP to Mr. Richthammer’s invitation)

Lower School Aquinas Mile, Thursday, May 23rd, 9:00 on Dolan Field

Parents are welcome to watch as students race for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place at each grade level, in our traditional Aquinas Mile. The number of laps on the field increases with the grade level. It is a pleasure to watch the students encourage one another to “keep on running!”

High School Band and Choir Concert, May 23rd at 11:00 in the Rhodora

Parents are invited to hear high school musicians perform under the direction of Sherry Traugh (Band) and Sharon Burchill (Choir). The whole school is invited to listen to our talented students.

Eighth Grade Trip, Friday, May 24th

A full day of 8th grade fun, details provided by Mr. Salinas.

3rd Grade, Mrs. Dill/Mrs. Engleka, Wax Museum, Friday, May 24th at 2:00 OR Tuesday, May 28th, at 9:00.

Kindergarten Presentation, Friday, May 24, 10:00 a.m.

MEMORIAL DAY, MONDAY, MAY 27th. (Somebody clearly knew that schools need a break in the last week of May!)

**VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION MASS AND LUNCHEON, Tuesday, May 28th, 11:00 Mass followed by Lunch in the High School for our wonderful parents who help with various school activities, lunch, and classroom activities
SEE ATTACHED INVITATION**

Move Up Day, Tuesday, May 28th

Around 2:00, students in Grades K – 4 will visit the classrooms for next year's grade levels. 5th Graders will have the opportunity to hear from the teachers who teach the 6th grade subjects at some time in the afternoon. It is a "sneak peek" to the upcoming school year

ASCENSION THURSDAY – NO SCHOOL, Thursday, May 30th.

Also – CEDAR POINT TRIP FOR HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS AND SENIORS (Plan on attending the anticipated Mass for the Holy Day on Wednesday evening!)

Cost for Park is \$45, with \$25 deposit due by Friday, May 17th, to Catherine Scioscia.

Lower School Closing Awards and Mass, Friday, May 31st at 10:15 in the Rhodora.

Parents are invited to closing awards – including Aquinas Mile, Lower School Athletes, Handwriting Awards, Perfect Attendance Awards, 5th Grade Presidential Awards, and the Peter Hycza Award. Following the Awards, the closing Mass will be in the Chapel at 11:00 – NOTE TIME, EVEN THOUGH IT IS A FRIDAY! Students will be dismissed as private car riders following Mass.

High School Academic Awards, Friday, May 31st at 6:30 in the Rhodora

High School students and parents are invited to the award ceremony which includes year end (3 quarters) Honor Roll Awards, National Latin Exam, National Merit Awards, Special Awards, Department Awards, Senior Presidential Achievement Awards, and the Aquinas Award.

High School Baccalaureate and Commencement, Saturday, June 1st at 10:00

Seniors should be at school by 9:15 a.m. (REAL time!) with caps and gowns on hangers. Dress is shirt and tie, jacket suggested; and dress for girls (modest for Mass). Students will add caps and gowns following Mass. Student Tri-fold boards should be brought to cafeteria upon arrival. We will do a practice of the commencement procession at that time. Light refreshments and coffee/water will be available after Mass as students prepare for commencement. NOTE THAT RSVPs from families of seniors ARE DUE IN THE OFFICE ON MONDAY, MAY 20th.

Last Day of School for Middle School, Monday, June 3rd, following afternoon final exams.

Last Day of School for High School Grades 9 - 11, Tuesday, June 4th, following morning exam. Not all districts will provide half-day bussing. Please ask your bus driver about bussing that day. Time will be announced to students when the final exam schedule is published.

Middle School Closing/Graduation Mass, and Awards, Tuesday, June 4th, 6:30 p.m.

8th Graders should dress up, and will process in for Mass, sitting as a class in front in the Chapel. All middle school families are invited to join us for the Mass. Following Mass, about 7:30, will be middle school academic awards, including Year-End Honor Roll (3 quarters) Awards, National Latin Exam, 8th Grade Presidential Achievement Awards, Department Awards, and the Crusader Award. After the awards is a cake and coffee reception for the 8th grade graduates and their families.

