



*As a ministry of Saint Ann parish and in partnership with parents,  
Kearns-Saint Ann School provides a quality Catholic education, which nurtures  
a deep love of God, academic excellence, respect, responsibility and Christian values.*

November, 2011

Dear Parents,

As we enter November, a month that begins with the feasts of **All Saints** and **All Souls**, tell your stories to your children. Remind them of the saints you named them after, and of your favorite saints. Talk to them of family members, friends, and others who have lived the beatitudes in their daily lives, and will one day be saints. Talk to them of loved ones who have died, and who we honor on All Souls Day.

**Seventh Grade** is planning the **All Saints Day Mass**, Tuesday, November 1, at 9:00 A.M. in Saint Ann Church, PK-8. Students will have a **religion homework assignment** asking parents to help them list the names of deceased loved ones. Those names will be placed on the altar at Saint Ann Church, and we encourage you to join us for Mass.

The **National Catholic Education Association (NCEA)** sponsors the *Assessment of Catholic Religious Education (ACRE)* test each year. The test, given to students in **Fifth and Eighth Grade on November 8**, is designed to **assess religious knowledge**. Please be sure your child has a **nutritious breakfast** and gets **enough sleep**.

Thank you, **Mrs. Sue Shelledy**, for putting your whole heart into our **Monster Bash** - to benefit our students, our school, and our community. Your leadership is phenomenal. Thank you to **all students, parents, faculty, and staff** for using your precious time, talent, and treasure to support our **Monster Bash** by: planning, selling raffle tickets, buying raffle tickets, picking up items, preparing/making class projects, inspiring others, counting raffle ticket money, donating silent/live/other items, working on the silent/live auction, selling 50/50, buying needed supplies, delegating, setting up and decorating the gym, preparing the baskets, preparing bid materials, attending the Bash, bidding on silent or live auction items, serving the dinner, staffing the bar, dancing, collecting and collating silent/live/other funds, cleaning the gym, serving on committees, etc.

Our third annual **Founder's Day** was wonderful! Our school community gathered on October 21 for a beautiful Mass with our bishop, the **Most Rev. John C. Wester**, commemorating the founders of our school - **Senator Thomas and Jennie Kearns**, and the **Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Cross**. Your children were both reverent and respectful and made us all very proud and thankful. Following Mass, we had a new addition to our festivities – a student luncheon with the Bishop, Father Mike, dignitaries, and staff, moving to different tables at the ringing of our orphanage bell. Kudos Father Mike, on a great idea. Students, staff and visitors proclaimed it a resounding success. Thank you to **Annie Quintana, Daisy Richardson, Jillian Mollman, LeAnne Besachio, Monica Hoffman, Dan Logue, Angie Muro, Susan Schilling, and Lisa Valdez** for purchasing the food, planning a delicious light lunch, and all your hard work bringing the luncheon to fruition. Lunch was delicious!

During the month of November, Kearns-Saint Ann School will once again conduct a **food drive** for those less fortunate than ourselves. In an effort to **help our students respond to God's generosity with thankfulness**, we are asking them to bring cans or boxes of non-perishable food. We hope a spirit of love, concern, and gratitude will inspire their giving. The food collected in this manner will be distributed to a local charity.

The following are examples of what is needed: Boxed dressing, Potatoes, Canned vegetables, Canned cranberries, Sugar, Canned pumpkin, Flour, Canned yams, Canned fruit, etc.

On **Tuesday, Nov. 22** we will place all of the items we collect at the foot of the altar. Mass will be at **9:00 A.M.** in thanksgiving for all the blessings God has given us, and prayers will be offered for those who suffer most: the poor, the hungry, the homeless, the jobless, the sick, the grieving, and the lonely. Students will be **dismissed at the regular time, 3:00 P.M., on Tuesday, NOV. 22** for the **THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY**. Classes will resume Monday, Nov. 28.

As we approach Thanksgiving, let us remember to be truly grateful to God, and let us be a blessing to one another.

With Gratitude,

Kathleen McMahon, Principal

**IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

θ **Please remember - No shorts during second and third quarters. Second Quarter begins Friday, October 28.**

θ Students with November and December birthdays will have **Casual Dress Day on Thursday, November 3.**

θ **Report Cards and Student Education Plans (SEP=s/SEOP=s)** will be sent home **Thursday, November 3.** Please be sure to return them signed by **Monday, November 7.**

θ Please help support our **Cash for Cans Program** by collecting and bringing in aluminum cans from home and work the first Wednesday of each month. Cans should be placed along the fence, in the church parking lot. Be sure to put your child's grade on the bag, so they receive credit. Thanks to the efforts of **Mr. and Mrs. Flesher**, who donate their time and turn in our cans, Kearns-Saint Ann earns \$0.55 for every pound. Congratulations to Pre-Kindergarten and Sixth Grade, who tied last month. Both received a treat for collecting the most cans in October.

θ **Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten** will be holding their Annual Thanksgiving Feast in their classroom on **Wednesday, November 16**, during the AM Session and again during the PM Session.

θ **Vision Screening** for grades 1, 3, 5, 7 and new students in grades 1-8, will be on **Wednesday, November 16.** Be sure to send your child with his/her glasses or contacts.

θ Students who earned a \$100 Club T-Shirt may wear their t-shirts in lieu of their uniform shirts on **Thursday, Nov. 10 - \$100 Club Picture is at 8:30 A.M.** This is the day their pictures will be taken for the yearbook!

θ The **Home & School Association Class Representatives Board** meets **Thursday, November 17** at 6:30 P.M. in the library. HSA Officers and Class Representatives should plan on attending.

θ Students in grades 4-8 will soon be busy learning about saints. Our **Name the Saint Contest** will be held on **Friday, Nov. 18 at 9:00 A.M.** in the recreation center. Come and support our students in this unique contest!

θ We will have a **Blue & Gold Day** on **Monday, November 21**, in recognition of the students raising **\$25,031.00** through raffle ticket sales. We encourage them to wear our school colors - blue and gold. See enclosed flyer.

θ A benefit assembly will also be on **Monday, November 21**, and a volleyball game between the **Second Grade and Third Grade Classes** will take place in the gym at 1:30 P.M. Parents are invited. See enclosed flyer.

θ **Kindergarten** will be holding their Annual Thanksgiving Feast in the cafeteria on **Tuesday, November 22**, at 1:30 P.M. Parents are welcome to attend.

θ Please join us for our first **Advent Prayer Service** on Tuesday, November 29 at 8:00 A.M. in the gym.

θ Picture retakes will be **Tuesday, November 29.** Siblings are invited to have their picture taken from 11:00 to 11:30 A.M. **Remember to wear dress-up clothes.**

θ PLEASE SAVE THE DATE - **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1**, from 9:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M., will be our **Holiday Book Fair at Barnes and Noble** in Sugarhouse! It will be even bigger and better this year. Look for more information in the next parent envelope.

☺ **THANK YOU** ☺

... to **Mr. Jim Heise** for printing our Kearns-Saint Ann School Directory!

... to **John Carlson** for all his assistance during the Book Fair, and to **all the parents** who helped. It was a great success and our profit was \$531.00!

☺ **BENEFIT THANK YOU** ☺

Thank you to everyone who attended "**Monster Bash 11!**" It was a huge success! The class projects and class baskets were truly outstanding. **Thank you to Stephen Lewis, class project chairman, for the many hours you**

**put into planning and completing these projects.** Thank you to all students and parents for your help with these auction items. A special thank you to **Traci Dean who put together the beautiful baskets.**

The gym was beautifully decorated by **Vickie Robinson** and her committee. Two hundred and fifty guests, consisting of parents, parishioners, staff and friends, enjoyed a delicious dinner prepared by Utah Food Service. Master of Ceremonies **Rose Graham** and auctioneer **Bill Brown** played a key role in a very exciting Live Auction. **Cameron Construction, Macy's, Jim & Madalyn Seaman, Tim and Jennifer Soran, and George Sumner and Tina Hose,** sponsored Saint Tables this year. Thank you for your generous \$500 donation.

Thank you for your wonderful support of our raffle sales. Raffle sales reached a grand total of **\$25,031.00!** **Thomas K. and Mary McCarthy** will match any amount over \$20,000, so they will give us a very generous gift of **\$5,031.00!** A very heartfelt thank you to the raffle counting committee chairman **Jillian Mollman** and her committee: **Cheryl DeAstis, Marie Djagba, Shannon Espinoza, Aubrey Lara, Theresa Pendergast, Annie Quintana and Aileen Rizzuto,** for their dedication and accuracy in counting the raffle ticket money. A huge thank you to all the committee chairs: **Collette Ausseresses, Kim Clark, Traci Dean, Cori & Rick Garcia, Lydia Green, Francisca Flores, Stacey Francone, Stephen Lewis, Jillian Mollman, Dan Overman, Annie Quintana, Daisy Richardson, Andrea Rico, Vickie Robinson, Francisca Rodriguez, Lorraine Ruiz, Rebecca Ryon, Susan Schilling and Shannon Sweat.** Your hard work and dedication are greatly appreciated. Thank you to **Rose Graham, Richard Smith and Chantel Trujillo** for collecting all the payments the night of the benefit, and a big thank you to **Ron Mirabelli** for your continuous support and help in preparing for this wonderful event and for doing such an awesome job with the sound system! Thank you to **Jeff Aoyagi** for being our DJ and for providing us with great music during our silent auction and dinner. You really "set the mood," and the dance music was fantastic! The dancing did not end until after midnight!

Thanks to all **Home and School Class Representatives** for coordinating the Class Baskets and for their wonderful liquor basket. All the baskets were BEAUTIFUL and filled with quality items!

### Ø BENEFIT CONGRATULATIONS Ø

Raffle Winners-

**\$1,000.00 – Antonio Montelongo**

**\$ 500.00 – Hernan Casello**

**\$ 250.00 – Emily Sanders**

... to Kearns-Saint Ann School's **Third Grade Class** for bringing in the most money in raffle ticket sales for the benefit, with an **amazing total of \$ 3,763.** Thank you, **Second Grade** students and parents, for your amazing support.

... to **every class,** for **exceeding** your raffle ticket sales goals! Each class has a choice of a popcorn & video party, pajama party, or one hour of free time, inside, outside, or in the gym.

... to the **Top 10 sellers, \$100 Club Members, \$200 Club Members, \$300 Club Members** and **\$1,000 Club Members.** They will receive special recognition on **Monday, November 21,** at the Benefit Assembly. **See enclosed flyer.**

### ∩ CONGRATULATIONS ∩

... to **Madison Hill,** in second grade, who was baptized at Saint Ann Church, this past Sunday.

... to our **Student Council** members who were installed earlier this year. Elections took place last May. President: **Elizabeth Lehauli;** Vice President: **Hugh McGirt;** Secretary: **Leonardo Cortez;** Treasurer: **Laurel Carlson;** 8<sup>th</sup> grade representatives: **Camilla Flores and Palek Jayswal;** 7<sup>th</sup> grade representative: **John Jules Flesher;** 6<sup>th</sup> grade representatives: **Christopher James and Kimberly Padilla;** 5<sup>th</sup> grade representatives: **Chance Heise and Katie McGirt;** and 4<sup>th</sup> grade representatives: **Ronata Ibrahim and Aranza Tellez.**

... to **all parents who attended the Back to School Nights for each grade.** It is certainly true that when parents and faculty work together, children benefit.