

# ST. LAWRENCE SCHOOL

*“His Banner Over Us Is Love”*

Dear St. Lawrence School Families,

It was truly great to see so many of you at our Opening School Mass on Saturday! I especially enjoyed meeting with so many members of our St. Lawrence School Community at the Pizza and Ice Cream Celebration following the mass in Deacon Hall. I want to thank Jen Cellura and Andrea McLaren for helping to plan and organize this event. A special thank you to all of the parent volunteers who helped set up and serve food and drinks at this celebration.

This year, we will be continuing our Heart of St. Lawrence initiative. Recognizing that the heart is essential to a healthy body, and we as a community comprise a Christian body – the body of Christ – it is important for us to do what we can to build up the body, especially its heart. We build up the body by doing things that truly give of ourselves to others – we share a piece of our own heart. Starting this week, any student “caught in the act” of building up the heart of St. Lawrence will earn a paper heart with the act written on the heart. They will then be given the opportunity to place their heart on our tree of hearts near the main entrance of the school building. The type of act worthy of a heart might be including a child left out, offering to help a teacher, settling an argument among other children – things that really require one to give of oneself. Some examples of words that may be written on the paper hearts include: Trustworthiness, Respect, Being Responsible, Kindness/compassion, Leadership, Honesty, Thoughtfulness, Consistent good choices, Peacemaker, Being encouraging, Teamwork, Sharing. I will share some of these acts during morning program as we continue to strive to build up our tree of hearts.

As the weather begins to get cooler, I want to remind families that Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> is the last day that students will be allowed to wear shorts with their uniform. When the warm weather returns in the spring, I will remind students that they can again resume wearing shorts in May and June. Thank you for helping to ensure that our students are following the uniform policy.

Our Walkathon pledges have been coming in strong! Walkathon Raffles will begin this weekend during the Saturday and Sunday masses and continue during the first three weekends of October. Students will have the opportunity to gain some sponsorship from our parishioners during these first three weekends. Let’s show our school support! I know we can have a record year of fundraising if we all work together! The Walkathon this year will be at Aquinas on Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. I am looking forward to seeing you all at our Walkathon this year!

I hope you are having a pleasant and peaceful start to your week. On behalf of the faculty and staff of St. Lawrence School, I wish you and your family a restful and enjoyable Columbus Day Weekend!

God Bless,

Frank Arvizzigno  
Principal

## Please Note:

AR night for 1 <sup>st</sup> grade 6:30 PM	10/3
Quiet Mass 8:30am	10/4
<b>Teacher Conference Day – No School</b>	<b>10/6</b>
<b>Columbus Day – No School</b>	<b>10/9</b>
October Pizza Lunch	10/12
Living Rosary 1:15pm in Church	10/13
New Lunch Session Order Opens	10/19
<b>*11am Dismissal – No After School Care</b>	<b>10/27</b>
Walkathon! 10am-2pm	10/28
All Saints Day Mass 8:30am	11/1
Veteran's Day Concert 1pm, 7pm	11/8
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter Ends/Portal Closes	11/1

**Today's Envelope includes:**  
Walkathon Packet

## After School Clubs

Sign up is now open on the school website for After School Clubs. It will be open until October 10<sup>th</sup>, or until the club is filled.

## Office Reminders

There is no school this Friday, 10/6, and Monday, 10/9.

Please get any changes in routine to us before 1:00pm to guarantee that word gets to your child in time for dismissal.

Keep up the great work and bring in those Walkathon Pledges!

## Welcome Mass & Pizza Social

