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Happy Fall! As we change seasons let us continually be mindful of all that God does for us daily. October is a special month that has many feast days of special saints that help us through their intercession to our Heavenly Father. Let us be mindful of these special days:

- October 1 – St. Therese of the Child Jesus
- October 2 – Guardian Angels
- October 4 – St. Francis of Assisi
- October 7 – Our Lady of the Rosary
- October 10 – Blessed Mary Angela
- October 15 – St. Teresa of Avila
- October 18 – St. Luke
- October 22 - St. Pope John Paul II
- October 28 – Sts. Simon and Jude



October is Respect Life Month. Please join the Citizens Concerned for Human Life in prayer on Respect Life Sunday, October 2, 2022 from 1:30p.m. – 3:00p.m. in front of St. Benedict Church in Carrolltown for prayer.

Faith Families are back at St. Nicholas. Students will gather once a month with their Faith Family to learn a lesson on a Fruit of the Holy Spirit, a particular Saint who exhibited that fruit and do a small activity based on that fruit. Each Faith Family is made up of students from PK -8. We are excited to share our faith with all throughout the school.



*Congratulations!*

At the annual Diocesan Catholic Educator In-Service held at Holy Name this year we were honored to have Bishop Mark celebrate mass. After mass a special awards program was held to mark milestones in teacher's careers in Catholic Education. St. Nicholas was proud to honor 2 teachers who have reached this milestone: Mrs. Tanya Cramer – 10 years and Mrs. Michelle Fleming – 35 years. Congratulations to both of these outstanding educators.

Congratulations to our newly elected Student Council: Jude Dumm – President, Vincent Myers – Vice-President, Megan Farabaugh – Secretary, Kathlene Thompson – Treasurer. We look forward to their leadership. Stay tuned for Student Council Happenings.



St. Nicholas students and staff will be praying a living rosary on **Thursday, October 13 at 1:00** outside at the shrine of our Lady of Fatima commemorating the 6<sup>th</sup> apparition of our Lady of Fatima to the 3 children in which she reminds us to Pray the Rosary daily. This will be outside weather permitting, otherwise in the church. Come join us for this short time in prayer.

Power School – Please remember to set up your parent accounts to monitor your students grades in 1-8. **The end of the 1<sup>st</sup> marking period is October 27.** Power School is also used for the school messenger system that allows mass phone calls to be sent out. If you are getting those phone calls at a number that you want removed or not getting calls at a number that you want added, please notify Mrs. Burba asap.



With the month of October comes the change in the dress code. **Students are no longer permitted to wear shorts** -unless we would for some reason get unusually hot days, then there would be an announcement made. Please note that **dress for boys in grades 5-8 are button down shirts** – long or short sleeve **with tie and pants**. Polos are only to be worn with shorts. **Socks must be above the ankle**, no no shows or low cut socks for either boys or girls. Thank you for your cooperation. Also we will strive to get the children outside as much as possible. **Please make sure that they have a jacket or sweater with them daily.**

**October 10** is one of the few days that St. Nicholas Catholic School has classes, and Northern Cambria does not. There will be **special bussing** for students who live in the Northern Cambria School District that day. There is no late bus and all students riding buses are dismissed at 3:10 p.m. on buses. Pick ups will begin only after all buses have left. **ALL students will need to pack lunch** on that day as well. Please remember as you are packing lunch that we are a peanut free school. **NO PEANUT BUTTER OR PEANUT** products should be brought in.



Please remember to continue to order lunches through the website. They are usually on by Wed. afternoon and must be ordered by Friday at noon. You should be getting a confirmation email telling your selections and that your order was submitted.

It is very important that if you ordered a lunch for your child and he/she will be late that day that you call the school to let us know so that we don't cancel the lunch. We need to know by 9:00 a.m. and a few times a student came in by 9:30 when we didn't know about an appointment and cancelled the lunch for that day.

Continue to send in water bottles with your child. **It SHOULD NOT be routine for the office to continue to provide water bottles.** They can be refilled at the fountains.

Please note that virtual lessons will only be offered for a student who has tested positive for COVID and will be out of school for the quarantine period.