

"Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening."

St. Ann Family,

January 16th, 2017

This week's All-School Mass was led by our 7th grade class. We heard the story of Samuel, which was repeated again on Sunday, and his challenge of listening to the voice of God. Fr. Nick talked to us on Wednesday about what it means to hear the voice of God and also, how to make ourselves open to listening to God.

Please welcome Sr. Maureen Fitzgerald to the St. Ann School staff. She will be serving as a resource teacher assisting both teachers and students in meeting the needs of our older students. She comes to us from Cor Jesu Academy where she also serves as their Diversity/Inclusion coordinator. She has served as a teacher and school administrator in St. Louis, Pittsburgh PA, Connecticut, New Jersey, California, and Florida. We look forward to her work to make St. Ann an even more inclusive school community.

Last Thursday the 2nd quarter report cards were sent home in Friday folders. In our 3rd quarter students are starting out with a fresh slate and can work to do even better than in the 2nd quarter. If your family did not receive a report card last week, please contact Eileen Engelmeyer at 314-450-4852 to learn more about tuition and what you can do to access your student's report card.

Catholic Schools Week is approaching fast. Things get started with our school's Open House on Sunday, January 28th, from 12noon-2pm. We'll have the building and classrooms open for prospective parents and parishioners to tour and learn more about the great things happening at our school.

Catholic Schools Week will continue through February 2nd with a variety of fun activities to celebrate our staff, students, parish, and community. We're even planning a whole-school field trip down to Chaifetz Arena for a Women's Billiken Basketball game. We're still looking for more chaperones to help with this event. Taking the entire school to a basketball game requires a lot of adult supervision. If you have completed the safe environment program and would like to help chaperone this trip, please let me know!

The Today and Tomorrow Educational Foundation's scholarship application window will open online in Monday, January 29th. It is extremely important that you have the proper paperwork and financial information ready to go so that you can apply as soon as possible. Many scholarships are awarded on a first-come first-served basis which means applying as close to the opening of the online application is critical. More than half of St. Ann families receive some kind of tuition assistance/financial aid and these scholarships are a big part of our school's operation. If you have questions, please contact me or Eileen Engelmeyer. There is also information at ttef-stl.org.

Yesterday's Day of Service in honor of the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was a success. We had a large number of UMSL students as well as St. Ann Family members on hand to help clean up and beautify the school building. We're blessed to have so many dedicated individuals who work hard to make St. Ann a great school.

Mark Your Calendar

1/18-8th Grade Right START

1/28-Open House

1/28-2/2-Catholic Schools Week

1/31-Billiken Basketball (tip off @ 11AM)

2/ 3- Trivia Night

2/10-Progressive Dinner

Blessings,
Jacob Reft