### St. Mike's Matters

**Thursday Notes** 

November 10, 2016

Issue #9

#### This Week's Calendar

FRIDAY NO SCHOOL -

**VETERANS DAY** 

MONDAY MMO - 8th Grade -8:30 AM

2:15 Early Dismissal

TUESDAY Lion's Club Vision & Hearing

Screening

Special PTSA Presentation @ 6:30 Multipurpose Room

THURSDAY Boys' Basketball Jamboree

@3:30 PM

NEXT All-School Mass - 9:00 AM

FRIDAY

Thanksgiving Basket Delivery/Pick-Up Day Beginning at 2:30 PM



# Thanksgiving Basket Drive "Compassion in Action"

Please help support the Thanksgiving Basket project by "buying" a turkey for \$20.

You may send in a check made out to St. Michael School or meet up with the students from the House of St. Maximilian Kolbe before and after school in the main doorway.

Also, please continue to send in your food donations! (See page 3).

Please email Ms. Lockard @ <a href="mailto:lockard@stmikesolympia.org">llockard@stmikesolympia.org</a> to sign up to deliver a basket on November 18th!

Join us in providing some happiness & relief to some local, low income families this holiday season.



### Dear St. Michael Families:

Today we honored all of our veterans through our

beautiful Veterans Day assembly. Thank you, Craig and Kelli Shelton, for serving as our keynote speakers and to all of the veterans and community members in attendance at this special event. I am especially thankful for the role you play as parents in fostering a sense of deep gratitude within your children towards those who serve in our military. Have a blessed Veterans Day holiday. As a reminder, school will not be in session tomorrow.

As a final reminder, you are all invited and encouraged to attend a special PTSA meeting on Tuesday, November 15th at 6:30PM in the Multipurpose Room. The meeting will feature a presentation about Catholic education from Dr. Patrick Haggarty, our Superintendent of Schools for the Archdiocese of Seattle. We will also present our newly revised St. Michael Parish School Mission, Philosophy, and School-wide Learning Expectations. Children of parents in attendance will receive a uniform-free day on Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. Childcare will be provided in the school gym.

The tuition assistance application window is open for the 2017-2018 school year. All families who request tuition assistance for the next school year are invited to apply for tuition assistance through the Fulcrum Foundation Tuition Assistance Grant Program. Both Fulcrum and St. Michael Parish School use the same application process and timeline. By applying to Fulcrum, you are also applying for tuition assistance through our school endowment. Tuition assistance will only be granted for next school year by completing this application process. If you plan to apply for tuition assistance for next school year, please note that the application deadline is January 6, 2017. You may access the application at this link: https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/4CDW0

> Blessings, Connor Geraghty, Principal



### Rave Green Day!

The resilient Seattle Sounders have persevered through a challenging season and are now in the Western Conference

Finals of the MLS Playoffs! We are inviting students to wear Sounders shirts or Sounders colors (rave green and blue) and uniform bottoms on November 22nd. Students may also choose to wear their St. Michael spirit shirt on this day along with uniform bottoms.

## Tuition Assistance 2017-18 Currently Accepting Applications

We are currently accepting applications for our tuition assistance program through the Fulcrum Foundation (Archdiocese of Seattle). All families requesting tuition assistance from St. Michael Parish School and/or the Fulcrum Foundation must complete this process. Please see the school website for additional information or contact Mr. Geraghty.

The application may be found and must be completed on line at: <a href="https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/4CDW0">https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/4CDW0</a>

All applications will be due no later than January 6, 2017



### St. Michael School Volleyball for Moms

November 11th and 18th 6:00 - 8:00 PM School Gym

All skill levels welcome.

Come join in the fun!

### Last Chance to Pre-Order Your 5th Grade Advent and/ or Christmas Wreaths!

Last chance to pre-order your Christmas Wreath! Sale deadline is Wednesday, Nov. 16th.

The second order will be ready for pick-up Nov. 30th, Dec. 1st or 2nd after school or after masses Dec. 3rd & 4th.

We are getting closer to making our sales goal and appreciate all your support!



### Looking for "Church Stewardship" Hours?

Come help set up and/or breakdown for the Advent festival. This is a one time event.

Where: School Gym When: Set up 3:30 - 4:30 Saturday,

November 19

Breakdown: 1:30 -2:30 Sunday, November 20 This work involves table set up and setting out materials for activity stations.

Staff Contacts: Leanne Bergford: lbergford@saintmicheal parish.org or Elizabeth Lyons @ saintmichaelparish.org

### Menu Change Notice



November 21st and 22nd are switching ...

November 21st - Calzone Green Beans Fruit Ceasar Salad Milk

November 22nd - Chicken w/Mashed Potatoes

& Gravy Roll Fruit

Carrots

Milk



### "Compassion in Action Thanksgiving Food Baskets"

This year the St. Michael School Saint House of St. Maximilian Kolbe is coordinating our annual Stewardship Project in conjunction with the St. Vincent DePaul Society to distribute Thanksgiving Food Baskets to low income families in the Olympia area. This program will help meet the immediate needs

of families during Thanksgiving. Jesus had a special love for the poor and the weak. Here is an opportunity to put the needs of those less fortunate, first. Our goal is to provide baskets for 50 families!

#### **Timeline:**

Food Collection - 11/1/16 to 11/18/16
Families Pick Up Baskets for Thanksgiving Delivery - 11/18 After School
Deliver Food on or Before - 11/20/16

#### Here's How You Can Help:

- By providing items to fill the baskets. When providing items please adhere to the list below. Students can bring food items to school beginning on 11/1. (We are also seeking frozen turkey donations you may pay a \$20 donation to St. Michael School You may send in a check made out to St. Michael School or meet up with students from the House of St. Maximilian Kolbe before school in the main doorway.) Each basket will contain enough food to feed a family of 6-8. Cash donations will be gratefully accepted as well, and will be used to purchase the turkeys.
- **By assisting with the delivery of baskets.** We will be asking school families to deliver the baskets to the needy families before Sunday, 11/20. This is an excellent opportunity for families to reach out and share our abundance with others in our community. Please contact Lynn or Barb in the office at 754-5131 or email Lynn Lockard @ <u>llockard@stmikesolympia.org</u> to sign up for this awesome community service.

### **Shopping List**

Boxes of Instant Potatoes Canned vegetables Boxes of Minute Rice

Cooking Oil Cranberry Sauce Gravy Mix (cans, jars or packets)
Soups (Cream of Mushroom) Canned Fruit Stuffing Mix (bags or boxes)

French's Fried Onions Coffee/Tea Rice/Beans

Cakes/Brownie Mixes/Boxed Desserts Fruit Rolls & Granolas Bars
Nuts & Dried Fruits Peanut Butter Canned/Pouches of Tuna

Thank you for putting the lives of those in need, first!

"For I was hungry you gave me food" ~ Matthew 25:35