



## Prayer for Students

Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour, vouchsafe, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires, through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His Blessed Mother.

Amen.

## Important dates

- Friday, Dec. 9 – Middle School Dance and Family Movie Night (6 p.m.)
- Friday, Dec. 9 – Michigan Blood – Blood Drive (3 – 7 p.m.)
- Monday, Dec. 12 - School Christmas Concert (6 p.m.)
- Monday, Dec. 19 – Festive Dress Day – (Students may wear Christmas clothing or red and green colors)
- Monday, Dec. 19 - Make-It Take-It
- Wednesday, Dec. 21 – ½ Day (11:30am dismissal)
- December 22 thru January 2 – Christmas Vacation

## Christmas Concert

Our annual Christmas Concert is scheduled for Monday, at 6 p.m. in the Cardinal Hickey Parish Hall. K-5 music classes will perform first followed by the 5th grade and 6th grade bands. The evening will conclude with a performance by the Shamrock Band. Remember to come looking your best. This is a dress-up concert for all students—you want to look as good as you sound. Jeans are not permitted.

The mission of Saint Brigid School, in partnership with family, parish and community, is to educate and encourage students to reach their fullest potential – mind, body and spirit – in an environment of support, understanding and Christian values.

## Middle School Dance & Elementary Family Movie Night

St. Brigid Middle School dance will be Friday, Dec. 9, in the CHPH. The dance will begin at 6:00 pm. and end at 8:00 pm. All St. Brigid Middle School students are welcome.

The movie *Mr. Peabody and Sherman* will be shown at 6 p.m., in the Afterschool Care Room. The PTO will provide pop, snacks, and pizza. Bring sleeping bags, blankets, or pillows to sit on.

## Blood Drive

St. Brigid is hosting the Michigan Blood – Blood Drive tomorrow, from 3:00 pm. - 7:00 pm. in the Open Area. Appointments are preferred. To sign up please contact Michigan Blood at 1-866-MIBLOOD (642-5663) or go to [miblood.org](http://miblood.org). Attempt to donate and you could receive a \$100 Meijer gift card!

“Make a connection that could make a lasting memory. Give blood and be the gift that will last a lifetime.”

## Student Council

Student Council is currently accepting donations for the non-profit organization Aaron's Gifts from Home. The mission of Aaron's Gifts from Home is to provide food, snacks, personal hygiene items, entertainment (i.e. books, DVDs, CDs, games), socks, hats, blankets, pillows, and hand warmers to any and all currently deployed military personnel on a year round basis. Care packages are sent anywhere there are troops deployed.

The drive will continue through Dec. 21. All items can be dropped in the basket located in the foyer.

## Athletics

St. Brigid boys' basketball teams have just one more game before Christmas break. If you have not made it out to cheer them on, check out their schedule below:

The 5/6 grade team schedule is as follows:

12/10	vs. Swan Valley	@Home	11a.m
1/7	vs. Swan Valley	@Home	11a.m.

The middle school team schedule is as follows:

12/14	vs. All Saints White	@Home	7 p.m.
1/7	vs. SASA	@Home	10a.m.

St. B's winter sports teams will have team pictures after Christmas break.

- 1/10/2017 @ 4:30p.m. Boys Basketball
- 1/13/2017 @ 3:30p.m. Pom Squad

## Birthdays

Vivian Deeth	7 <sup>th</sup>	12/11
Olivia Miller	8 <sup>th</sup>	12/12
Luke Storey	5 <sup>th</sup>	12/14
Eoin Knight	8 <sup>th</sup>	12/19
Zachary Pider	5 <sup>th</sup>	12/19

## Box Tops for Education

We are excited to announce that St. Brigid Catholic School will be receiving a check in the amount of \$746.30 for the box tops that were submitted. Thank you so much to all the volunteers who counted and to everyone who saved and submitted box tops.

Remember to keep saving your box tops for the next deadline in the February; it's easy fundraising for our school.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classroom to switch with ASC room

Effective Jan. 3, the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classroom is moving to the room that currently houses our afterschool care room.

The move is being made for a number of reasons. Those include giving 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students a bigger room and providing those students with a bathroom and sink.

The afterschool care room will move to the current 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classroom, room 7. Afterschool care will use both rooms 7 and 8. Pick-up from afterschool care will happen from the emergency exit door that leads to the alley.

## Knights in Aluminum

The St. Brigid middle school robotics team, Knights in Aluminum, completed their 2<sup>nd</sup> successful season, meeting all of their goals, learning, working as a team, all while having fun. The team worked hard planning, building, and programming a robot to drive in the local robotics competition.

Great job to the Knights in Aluminum:

Caleb Allington, Eoin Knight, Billy Buchalski, Scott Sommer, Clara Allington, Norah Allington, Finn Knight, and Michael Wilkowski.

A big thank you to the coaches, Matt Allington and Chris Buchalski, and to the team mentors, Daniel Confer and Richard Wardin

## Battle of the Books

Battle of the Books has officially begun with 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students from Saint Brigid Catholic School. Practices take place on Thursdays from 3:10-4:30 p.m.

This is a program designed to encourage and reward 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade readers. Grace A. Dow librarians choose 20 books which encompass a variety of interests and introduce students to a wide range of literature. During Battle season, students discuss the books with their teammates, team manager and other adults, so that reading becomes a shared activity.