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Dear Families,

I hope your students have enjoyed the week (+) back to school as much as we have enjoyed having them here. Transition from summer to the routine of the school day comes with tears, tiredness and excitement – I am just talking about the staff!!! Seriously though, it's been a great start to the year. It's been fun to get to know our new staff and our new Priest – Father Emmanuel. Father shared some good acronyms and inspiring homilies this week, encouraging all to "PUSH" – Pray Until Something Happens, challenging all to engage in conversation with our Lord every day and often... "Practice makes perfect," he told the students!!! Father also gave our students the acronym: "COFFEE" – Christ Our Friend For Every Environment, reassuring us that God is always with us. In today's world, these are important words to remember.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING:

The Education committee will meet Monday, September 16th at Holy Rosary-Lima at 6:00. If you would like to be part of this committee, please join us. The meetings are open to all.

FIELDTRIPS:

Our first fieldtrip is coming up for our 4-8 grade students to walk down to the Homecoming parade on Friday, September 20th. Please return permission slips on Wednesday, September 11th.

FALL FESTIVALS:

- Sunday, Sept. 15th @ Sacred Heart Mondovi after 10:00 a.m. Mass
- Saturday, September 28th @ St. Mary's Durand after 4:00 p.m. Mass
 - **Help needed:** We need 3-4 workers at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning, September 28 to move tables. Also some help after the fall festival to put tables away, but this will likely be 9:30-10:00 that night, so maybe too late for students help.

HOME AND SCHOOL:

Friday kicked off our Magazine PLUS sale, so look for the packet that was sent home! There are other items to sell other than magazines so you have more options for your customers. Reach out Postcards are due Monday. There will be "Aqua Coops" awarded this year and other prizes starting Friday, September 13th. It is beneficial to get your orders in on the first turn in date so your children can participate in the all of the "coop calls." This sale is a major fund raiser for our Home and School, so thank you ahead of time for all of your efforts. Dates to remember: Wednesday, September 11th (the first turn in) and Wednesday, September 18th (the second turn in date). Here are some other updates and clarifications:

- There are 2 separate websites for the Holiday Catalog and Magazines. Both work for out of town friends and family as well as local.
- To order from the **River City Catalog**: Go to http://clubschoicefundraising.com/ Click **Order Online**Now on the lower right side on the red street sign to order or you can *Join the Clubhouse* on the blue street sign if you want to send emails and text messages to let people buy from the catalog online
- Fill in the blanks that are required. The School Code is: ASSUM22
- To order from the Magazine catalog or see a wider selection: Go to www.gaschoolstore.com Click on "Ready to Shop." Put in the School Code: 2586667
- Then you can send emails and text messages to let people buy from the catalog online.
- Digital subscriptions are available! Go online and view all categories and scroll to digital magazines.
- A \$10.00 donation equates to (1) magazine order. Names of your past customers are also enclosed.
- Again this year Entertainment Mobile APP and **college tuition rewards**...check it out in the enclosed informational flyer.



MASS SERVER SCHEDULE: Enclosed please find the server schedule for St. Mary's and Holy Rosary – please find a sub if you can't fulfill your scheduled time. Thank you for your service- it's an appreciated service. God Bless.

PARTNERS IN FAITH:

I appreciated the article on "Fussy Children at Mass" – please read it along with other good articles – enjoy.

SCHOOL WEEKEND MASS HELP NEEDED:

Enclosed, please find a note asking for student help with the weekend Masses for the St. Mary's Fall Festival on Saturday, September 28. I hope you can join us for Mass and for the family fun following Mass including games, food trucks and a family dance! Please return the enclosure by Monday, September 16th. We will have a student Mass at Holy Rosary in October; more information will be sent closer to the date. Thank you. Students will be given a non-dress code day for each weekend School Mass they help with.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT:



The Diocese of La Crosse is committed to creating safe and sacred places in parishes, schools and other institutions so that children, young people and vulnerable adults will be protected from any harm, including physical and sexual abuse. The teachers will be presenting lessons on safe environment to all students in their classrooms starting **Monday September 16th**. These lesson plans

are posted on our school webpage and the diocesan web page or we can give you a hard copy if you prefer. A synopsis of lessons is enclosed. If you do not want your child to participate in this lesson, please indicate that on the enclosed form. Please return the completed safe environment training form (Green) on Monday If you have any questions or concerns regarding this lesson, please call. Please note that victims of sexual abuse, in addition to contacting civil authorities, are asked to come forward in order to receive pastoral assistance as well.

\$CRIP:

ThankScriping Day feels like a holiday—because it's your 1-day chance to earn up to 21% on tons of top brands, so you can earn even more on your everyday shopping. See the enclosed flyer. Confused about SCRIP? Call us anytime and we can help.



TEACHING THE WAY OF LOVE:

Learn how to connect with your children during the *Necessary Conversations* webinar series.

This 5-part series is designed to learn how to engage children in conversation and guide them towards the best in every situation, including gender, bullying and substance abuse. Enclosed is a flyer with details.

VIRTUE OF THE MONTH:

To help better prepare us "in spirit" for the annual Walk for Virtues, we will again be featuring a "Virtue of the Month" this school year. Our virtue for September is "HOPE". Ask your children about this virtue and what they have learned about it thus far. Talk about Saint Padre Pio and St. John Vianney.

Friday, September 20th will be our first, non-dress code for Charity.

Our sixth grade class has embraced the virtue of **HOPE**, and is looking for your pop tabs; this collection will be brought to McDonalds to help fund the Ronald McDonald House (see enclosed

letter). Bring pop tabs by Friday, September 20th to participate in the non-dress code day.

†PLEASE PRAY FOR:



- The parents and godparents of our students and for all who help form them in faith.
- Our farmers that they persevere through their crisis.
- O For the Holy Father's Intentions for this month: *That politicians, scientists and economists work* together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

With Blessings of Peace and Joy,

Mrs. Mary Lansing - Principal

<u>CALENDAR OF EVENTS</u> :			
Monday	9-9	Magazine postcards are due	
		6/7 Volleyball Home versus Regis	5:00
		8 Volleyball Home versus Regis	6:00
Tuesday	9-10	School Mass @ St. Mary's	8:30
		4/5 Volleyball triangular at Home	5:00
		Middle School Football versus Mondovi	5:00
Wednesday	9-11	First turn in date for Magazine Sale (double order day!)	
Thursday	9-12	School Mass @ Holy Rosary	8:30
		6/7 Volleyball @ Mondovi	5:00
		8 Volleyball @ Mondovi	6:00
Sunday	9-15	Sacred Heart Fall Festival	10:00