

March 12, 2008

Dear Parents,

*“We are God’s workers, working together.”
1 Corinthians 3:9*

During the **Parent Teacher Conferences** last week, I was touched by the **many positive comments** made by parents regarding their child’s progress and the stated appreciation of so many parents regarding the caring attitude of their child’s teacher. I also appreciate **hearing the teachers talk about you** as parents and your commitment to work with them. In this important ministry of Catholic education, I consider it an honor and a privilege to **work together** to help our students become the future leaders of our Church and of our world.

The total Angel Bucks sales last week was **\$14,590**. The total profit was **\$867.50!** As you prepare for spring break, remember Angel Bucks for your traveling needs. The **winners of the Angel Bucks February Fun contest** were **The Butler Family, The Zisek Family, The Do Family and The Allen Family**. They will each receive a **\$25 gift card of their choice!** Thanks to the many families who participated in the contest!

Plan to attend the **PTO Meeting tonight at 7:00 PM** in the **Parish Center**. The meeting will include a presentation of the new **SMART® Board** technology in use at St. Michael and an update on the **proposed building project**.

I want to thank the **Auction and Gala committee** for all of their work preparing for our second auction. Our goal was to **sell out** this year's school auction and we are close! I look forward to seeing you there and enjoying the evening together.

Students in **Grade 5** will attend **Mass on Wednesday, March 19th**. You are invited to join us during Lent.

The students in **Grade 8** will present the **Living Stations of the Cross on Wednesday, March 19th at 2:00 PM**. You are invited to join us for this very special prayer as we conclude our Lenten journey as a school community.

Bishop Michael Burbidge has designated **St. Michael Church** as the site for the **Chrism Mass** which will be held on **Tuesday, March 18th**. In order to accommodate the number of cars that will be in the parking lot, Msgr. Tim has asked us to dismiss early on that day. **Please mark your calendars: Tuesday, March 18th, dismissal at 11:30 AM.** There will be **no After School Care on this date**. I apologize for any inconvenience that this may create. You are also welcome to attend the Chrism Mass.

Remember to continue to collect **Campbell’s Soup Labels and Box-tops**. This potential trash provides materials and money to St. Michael School. There is a container in the office for easy drop off.

There will be **no Advanced Band rehearsal on Thursday, March 13th**. Advanced band students are welcome to attend the Beginner or Intermediate Band rehearsals that week.

Copies of the 2007 Christmas Production are now available. The CD includes a bonus: a song by the 5th and 3rd grade). You may order a copy by **e-mailing Mrs. Okamoto**. (jokamoto@stmmary.org) The cost is **\$5.00** for each CD, payable to **St. Michael School**.

School will close on Wednesday, March 19th at 3:00 PM for Spring Break. The school office will close at 3:30 PM on the 19th and reopen on Monday, March 31st at 7:30 AM. May you and your family enjoy a relaxing break. **THERE WILL BE NO WEDNESDAY FOLDER SENT HOME ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19th. THE ANGEL BUCKS FOLDER WILL BE SENT HOME WITH YOUR CHILD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 18th.** Please return the folder on Wednesday so that it does not get misplaced over the Spring Break.

Lenten peace,
Dr. Sarah Wannemuehler

