

October 1, 2018

Greetings St. Gregory School Families!

Now that we are almost done with the first marking period, I would like to thank the entire St. Gregory School community for this incredible beginning. Everyone worked so hard on the Iowa testing, and I am so proud of them. When we receive the results, we will share them with you.

We are seeking website sponsorship from local business professionals and benefactors who value our school vision and understand the importance of Catholic education. If you would like to participate as a school website sponsor, please email me directly. School website sponsor benefits include: continual exposure for your business and services, and your sponsorship shows your support of Catholic education.

PTG is hosting many exciting activities this year. The goal of our PTG is to make St. Gregory School a great place for kids to learn and a place where families are connected. You will find information about these activities and fundraisers on our website. The Super Bingo will take place this weekend on Sunday, October 7th. If you have not experienced a Bingo, I highly suggest you come. Not only is it a fun time, but it is the school's largest fundraiser. The Great Pumpkin Race is on October 28th – you don't want to miss it! We will also need volunteers for the Cold Turkey Shootout, so please start planning for that now.

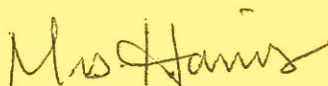
Volunteering for St. Gregory School is easy and rewarding, and it is a great way to meet new people. I want to make it clear, too, that parents are more than welcome to attend PTG meetings throughout the year. Please just notify the office if you would like to be put on the agenda. A quick reminder about volunteering: if your child plays a sport, you are required to help out in concessions, book keeping, etc. for your child's team. Information for volunteer clearances can be found on our website. Athletic volunteering is separate from our Family Share Program.

Congratulations to St. Gregory Volleyball, Ironmen Football and Cheer, and Cross Country teams. So far they have had amazing seasons. Come out to support our teams!

Halloween will be here before we know it. On Wednesday, October 31st at 1:15pm, we will have our Halloween Parade in the lower parking lot. *Kindergarten through 3rd grade* are permitted to bring in costumes on that day. Costumes cannot be gory or scary, and weapons are not allowed. *Grades 4 through 8* will have a small Halloween party in their classrooms. Please contact your classroom parent if you would like to send in treats; we do not want too many treats for the kids on that day.

Please continue to work collaboratively with your child's teacher. As I have said before, this is one way to impact student success. Another way to stay up-to-date is through Bloomz. I have received positive feedback about this program, and I am so glad you are enjoying it!

God Bless,



Mrs. Harris
Principal

October 2018

School News

No School: Monday, October 8th and Friday, October 26th are In-Service Days – There is no school for students.

Picture Days:

Grades K-8 – Wednesday, October 17

3 Year Preschool – Thursday, October 18

4 Year Preschool – Friday, October 19

Children's Choir: Our choir will be singing at the 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday, October 27th.

Shorts and Capris: The last day for the kids to wear shorts and capris is Monday, October 15th.

Halloween Parties: We will be celebrating Halloween on Wednesday, October 31st. Students in grades K-3 can bring costumes and will have a parade in the back lot at 1:15. All are invited to watch the parade. Students will then return to their classroom for a small classroom party.

Please use common sense when purchasing costumes. No weapons are permitted and all costumes must be school appropriate.

Our 4 Year Preschoolers will also celebrate on Oct 31st. Our 3 Year Preschoolers will celebrate on October 30th.

End of Report Period: Our first marking period will come to an end on Thursday, November 1st. We encourage you to stay on top of your child's grades via OptionC so there are no surprises when they bring home their report card. If you have misplaced your log in information please contact Debi in the school office. Report cards will be sent home on November 8th and conferences will be on November 12th.

Student Council News

Dress Down Day: The student council is sponsoring a Dress Down day this Thursday, October 4th to raise money for future Student Council activities. Students do not have to be in uniform, but must follow the dress down rules:

- Pants cannot have holes, shorts and skirts must be no shorter than 2" above the knee and, if leggings are worn, the shirt must be long enough to cover the backside.
- Shirts must cover appropriately (no bare backs, bellies or sides) and not include any inappropriate graphics or sayings. Spaghetti straps are not permitted.
- Hats are not permitted unless specified as a hat day.

PTG News:

Auction Meeting – We're already starting to plan our annual Auction night and we need your help! There will be a planning meeting this Tuesday, October 2nd at 7:00 pm in the school cafeteria. The theme for this year is "50's Sock Hop". Plan your costumes now and mark your calendars. Please contact Charlene Peacock if you have any questions or cannot make the meeting:
412-480-5292 (texts welcome) or charlenepeahen@gmail.com.

Super Bingo: Our next Super Bingo is this weekend, Sunday, October 7th, and we need some help to make it a success. We are asking Grades 5 and 8 for help this month with set-up and tear-down. Keep in mind this is a great way for the 8th graders to get their service hours for Confirmation. This is also a way for you to fulfill your Family Share Hours.

We need coverage on: Concessions, 50/50 Ticket Seller, Lottery Basket Ticket Seller, Ticket Sellers on the Floor, Set Up and Tear Down

Visit our website and click on "Volunteer Opportunities" to sign up!

In addition to October's bingo, we are looking for some help with these areas:

- Lottery / Door Prize Basket - someone who is crafty and would be able to put together a lottery ticket basket / decoration and a seasonal door prize for each game.
- Christmas Gift Coordinator - someone to head up the Christmas gift bags for all of our players (around 300), table door prizes to be raffled off at each table (around 70), and door prizes (around 30).
- Gift Item Donations - If you have an oddball gift item or have gotten a gift that you can't use, please consider donating it as a door prize for the Christmas bingo.

If you are able to help with any of these, please contact Jan Zentner at janbz@verizon.net or 724-683-2784.

Dine & Donate: Stack'd in Wexford – Enjoy dinner out this Wednesday, October 3rd and help raise money for our school! 20% of all proceeds from the evening will come back to St. Gregory. Bring the enclosed flyer, show it on your phone or tell your server you are supporting St. Gregory! On top of dinner on the 3rd, stop in for our special "Wolf it Down" milkshake at any time between Sunday, Sep 30 and Saturday, Oct 6 and ALL proceeds from the special shake will come back to St. Gregory! Take the enclosed flyer and mark which grades you're supporting and the winning class will enjoy free ice cream treat at lunch.

FUNdraiser: Living Treasures – We invite you to join us for a ghostly fun time with family and friends. Enjoy cookies and cider in the picnic pavilion (6:00 – 7:30) before entering the zoom (open from 7:00 – 11:00) to enjoy the animals. Tickets must be purchased in advance. See order form included in this folder.

Fundraiser: Mixed Bag – Flyers are included in this folder. These bags are durable, trendy and affordable. They are great for home, office, leisure and even at the grocery store! There is also a wide variety of kitchen products, jewelry, tech items and more! Our school will make 50% on all paper orders and 40% on any on-line orders. Please share with family and friends! Items can be shipped directly to them.

Orders are due Thursday, October 25th. Please do NOT include sales tax. Write "Mixed Bag" on your check memo line.

Sarris Candy Bars: Payment of \$48.00 per box was due last Friday, September 28th for the candy bar sales. If you haven't sent in your payment, please get it in this week.

Athletic News

GPR: Our 9th annual Great Pumpkin Run will be held Sunday, October 28th at 3:00 pm.

Registration forms are included in this folder, but you can also register on-line by visiting our site (www.StGregZelie.org) and clicking on "Events". There are also links there to register on-line and to sign up to volunteer. We need your help to make this another successful event! Your time will count toward your Family Share requirement.

We will also be asking for donations for the after party. Please expect an e-mail from your classroom parent with further information.

Cross Country: Our wolves had a great time running with their pack and improving their times throughout the season. The season ends with the Diocesan Championships at the Lawrence County Fairgrounds on Saturday, October 20th.

Volleyball: The girls will play their final home games on Sunday, October 14th vs. St. Margaret. This will also be recognition night for our 8th graders!

Cheer and Basketball: We will be kicking off the start of the basketball and cheer season with Madness on October 15th. Our annual Cold Turkey Shoot-Out will be happening over two weekends this year, Nov 9-11 and 16-18.

Ironmen: The Ironmen program offers football and cheer to students in our area Catholic schools. The cheerleaders started their season in August preparing a half-time routine, stunts and side line chants. So far this year they have traveled to Brentwood & Glassport to cheer on their teams. Home football games are played on Sunday afternoons at North Allegheny High School and a special Mass is held the Saturday evening prior to home games at St. Kilian Catholic Church for cheer and football families.

Parish News:

Youth Group – The weekly Youth Group meetings will kick off this Wednesday, October 3rd. All students in grades 8-12 are invited to join the group each Wednesday from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. Students should meet in the lobby area of the school.

Used Clothing Sale – This year marks our 7th Annual Used Clothing Sale for our parish! The sale will be held on Saturday, October 27th from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm in the blue room.

Collection times for new and clean, used clothing will be:

October 20-21 before and after all Masses

October 22-25 from 9:00-11:00 am, 1:00-3:00 pm and 6:00-8:00 pm

ITEMS TO SAVE FOR SAINT GREGORY SCHOOL

Big G Box Tops

Cut out Box Tops Logos from participating products and turn them into cash for the school. A complete list of eligible products is available at www.bboxtops4education.com.



Giant Eagle Advantage Card Points

Register your Giant Eagle Advantage Card and every time you shop using the card, Saint Gregory's get points for your purchases. To register your card, call 1-800-474-4777 or go to www.gianteagle.com and click on the "Apples for the Students" link. If the link is not up you can type "apples for the students" in the search box. You will need to give the school's ID # which is 1075. We currently have 179 participants registered for St. Gregory's. If you have an advantage card and haven't registered our school, please do so.



Chick-fil-A

If you eat at Chick-fil-A in Cranberry, save your receipts and turn them in to St. Gregory School. Chick-fil-A donates a percentage back to the school in store credit. We are working toward a whole school lunch for the children.



Shop 'n Save SEED Program

If you have a Shop 'n Save Perks Card, register it at shopnsavefood.com/community/seed-program. Once you are registered, you can designate our school and we will accumulate points to be used for school assemblies from the Carnegie Science Center and/or the Pittsburgh Zoo.



CAFETERIA SIGN-UP FOR DECEMBER 2018 AND JANUARY 2019

FORM DUE: NOVEMBER 9, 2018

Robyn Gross: 412-389-1768 or robyngross1926@gmail.com

NAME: _____

Phone Number: _____

1. Please read carefully and complete all parts of the form so that I can honor your requests:
 - ❖ If possible, I prefer to work _____ days in December and _____ days in January.
 - ❖ I must work at least _____ days in December and _____ days in January.
 - ❖ If the cafeteria is low on volunteers, I am willing to work a maximum of _____ days in December and a maximum of _____ days in January to help out. (Please include the "preferred" and "must work" days in this total.)
2. Star all of the dates that you are available to work on the calendar below.
3. If you prefer specific dates, please specify on the line below. I will do my best to accommodate. The more information that you provide--the more likely I am to understand exactly what you are requesting.

REQUESTS: _____

~ December 2018 ~						
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~ January 2019 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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20	21 NO SCHOOL	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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**YOU EAT.
WE GIVE.**



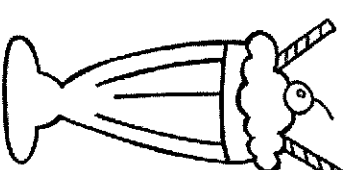
What better way to help support your local community than with a delicious burger? Come join us at Stack'd Wexford to help support St. Gregory Catholic School on

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3RD

Bring this flyer, show it on your phone, or tell your server you are supporting the cause & we will donate 20% of the proceeds to St. Gregory!

STACK'D WEXFORD

12087 PERRY HIGHWAY | STACKDBURGERS.COM



**MILKSHAKE
»» WEEK!**

PURCHASE THE ST. GREGORY 'MYSTERY' MILKSHAKE AT STACK'D AND

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO ST. GREGORY SCHOOL.

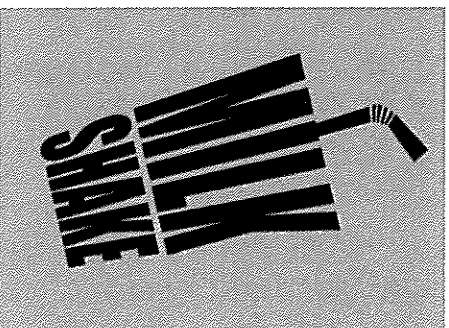
(CREATED BY OUR OWN 7TH and 8TH GRADE STUDENTS)

THE CLASS WHO HAD THE MOST MILKSHAKES SOLD WILL WIN A FREE ICE CREAM TREAT DURING LUNCH.

JOIN US ON **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3rd** AND

20% OF ENTIRE PURCHASE WILL BE DONATED TO ST. GREGORY SCHOOL..

FILL IN TOTAL # OF MILKSHAKES PURCHASED IN GRADE/S YOU ARE SUPPORTING BELOW:

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St Gregory School FOOD & FUNdraiser October Family Night Out

Advanced Reservation Form

(a portion of the proceeds will be donated to St Gregory School, based on attendance)

WHERE: Living Treasures Wild Animal Park - 268 Fox Rd, New Castle, PA 16101

WHEN: Thursday, October 25, 2018 (St Gregory is off school on October 26th)

TIME: 6-7:30pm (cookies & cider in the picnic pavilion); 7-11pm (Night at the Zoo)

COST: \$10 per ticket through St. Gregory School (2 and under are free)

Advance reservations are required for this special pricing.

Prices at the door: \$15.99 adults, \$13.99 seniors (62+), and \$12.99 children.

Come early and enjoy some **cookies and cider** in the picnic pavilion. Due to federal regulations, no outside animal food is permitted; animal feed is available for \$4.

Remember to bring your flashlight for a better view of the animals at night!

Please return this form and money to school by:

Wednesday, October 24, 2018

in an envelope with students full name and grade listed on the outside

Checks payable to: St. Gregory PTG.

You will pick up your tickets at the picnic pavilion on the night of the event before entering. We look forward to seeing you there and thank you for your generous support!!!

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(Keep Top Portion)

Living Treasures Animal Park: Night at the Zoo Fundraising Event

Family Name: _____

Student/s Attending: _____ Yes _____ No _____ Grade: _____

Total Number Attending (including student): _____ Adults _____ Children _____

Total Amount Enclosed (\$10 per person): _____



The 9th Annual Great Pumpkin Race



5K and 1 Mile Fun Run

Sunday, October 28, 2018 3:00 p.m.

St. Gregory School, Zelienople, PA

Come celebrate the fall season in the charming town of Zelienople. Enjoy great competition and lots of food, fun, music, and prizes during the party that follows. Costumes encouraged but not required. Proceeds benefit the St. Gregory School Parent-Teacher Organization and Athletics. Join us for a howling good time!!

Flat course

Chip timed by Miles of Smiles

Parking on-site in upper church lot or surrounding streets

T-shirt with GPR runnin' pumpkin logo for registrations prior to October 19th

Awards for 5K:

Top 3 Overall Male and Female

Top 3 Male and Female: 10 & under, 11-14, 15-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70 & over

Awards for 1 Mile:

Top 3 Overall Male and Female

Top 3 Male and Female: 6 & under, 7-10, 11-14, 15-19

Top 2 Male and Female: 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70 & over

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle: _____
Street Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Race: ☐ 5K ☐ 1 Mile

Age: _____ Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

Shirt size: ☐ Youth S ☐ Youth M ☐ Youth L ☐ S ☐ M ☐ L ☐ XL ☐ XXL

\$20 per registration. \$25 per registration after October 19th, 2018. Checks payable to: St. Gregory Athletics.

Return to school or parish office or mail to St. Gregory School: 115 Pine St. Zelienople, PA 16063 Attn: Great Pumpkin Race

May also register online at www.runsignup.com/9thAnnualGPR

DISCOUNT for groups of 3 or more!! Regular price for first member, only \$10 for each additional participant.

For example: A family of 4 registering before October 19th is \$20 for the first member, \$30 (3x\$10) for the rest. \$50 total.

Family/Team Name: _____

Names (<input type="checkbox"/> check if last name is the same as above registrant)	Age	Gender	Race (5K or 1 Mile)	Shirt size

In consideration of you accepting this entry, I, the participant, intending to be legally bound do hereby waive and forever release any and all right and claims for damages or injuries that I may have against the Event Director, RunSignUp.com, and all of their agents assisting with the event, sponsors and their representatives, volunteers and employees for any and all injuries to me or my personal property. This release includes all injuries and/or damages suffered by me before, during or after the event. I recognize, intend and understand that this release is binding on my heirs, executors, administrators, or assignees. I know that running a road race is a potentially hazardous activity. I should not enter and run unless I am medically able to do so and properly trained. I assume all risks associated with running in this event including, but not limited to: falls, contact with other participants, the effects of weather, traffic, and course conditions, and waive any and all claims which I might have based on any of those and other risks typical found in running a road race. I acknowledge all such risks are known and understood by me. I agree to abide by all decisions of any race official relative to my ability to safely complete the run. I certify as a material condition to my being permitted to enter this race that I am physically fit and sufficiently trained for the completion of this event and that a licensed Medical Doctor has verified my physical condition. In the event of an illness, injury or medical emergency arising during the event I hereby authorize and give my consent to the Event Director to secure from any accredited hospital, clinic and/ or physician any treatment deemed necessary for my immediate care. I agree that I will be fully responsible for payment of any and all medical services and treatment rendered to me including but not limited to medical transport, medications, treatment and hospitalization. By submitting this entry, I acknowledge (or a parent or adult guardian for all children under 18 years) having read and agreed to the above release and waiver. Further, I grant permission to all the foregoing to use my name, voice and images of myself in any photographs, motion pictures, results, publications or any other print, videographic or electronic recording of this event for legitimate purposes.

Signature of Participant (Parent/Guardian if under 18): _____ Date: _____