

SPOTLIGHT OF THE WEEK

4.15.20

"THE SAINTS GARDEN" ONLINE AUCTION

Our Auction has moved online and is scheduled for next **Saturday**, **April 25th!** You will be able to preview and bid on auction items directly from your mobile phone or computer via our website **HERE**.

Our program will be hosted via a Zoom meeting starting at 6:00 p.m. on April 25th.

Stay tuned for more info on how to join!

Check out our website and start previewing your favorite items now!

Live Auction experiences, sports tickets, gift cards and baskets, Class Projects, Kids Parties, Adult Parties, and more will be available to bid on!

Here are a few of our awesome auction items! Read more below under Auction News.

















We hope to see you there!

IMPORTANT DATES

	DON'T FORGET TO LOG IN EVERY DAY FOR ATTENDANCE BY 3:00 PM!
4/15	Work Together Wednesday
	Saints Newsletter Day
4/16	Artsy Thursday
4/17	Last day to purchase your Auction raffle tickets to be entered to win a \$50 Amazon gift card! Family Friday

	Virtual Mass - Wear your official uniform and join us for Virtual Mass on our website at 9:00am! Click <u>HERE</u> to join!
4/20	Saints Spirit Week - Share your favorite Distance Learning picture!
4/21	Saints Spirit Week - Share your favorite school picture!
4/22	Pre-register to bid for our Online Auction - win a gift card Saints Spirit Week - Post your talent! Show us a picture you drew or painted, or a craft you made. You can even post yourself cooking, singing, or dancing!
4/23	Saints Spirit Week - Throwback Thursday! Post your favorite picture from past years!
4/24	Saints Spirit Week - Virtual Mass - Wear your official uniform and join us for Virtual Mass on our website at 9:00am! Click HERE to join!
4/25	The Saints Garden Online Auction - <u>HERE</u>
5/4	Projected Return Date

Post your Saints Spirit pictures on our SLCS Facebook page, Instagram @stlaurenceschool, or email to <u>HERE!</u> You might see yourself on our social media pages or the Virtual Learning page of our yearbook!



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents,

Happy Easter everyone! I hope you had a chance to spend some time with your loved ones, either in person or virtually during the long weekend. What beautiful services were provided by our parish and all the churches over the Easter Triduum to celebrate our Risen Lord. We continue to do our best in serving our students from afar and even though we are really only 18 days in (believe it or not) with Distance Learning, it feels like 500! I have heard that many of you feel the same way. At this time, we are still looking at May 4th as our return date, even with the decision by FBISD to close for the remainder of the year; however, we continue to make contingency plans for a myriad of possibilities! I hope you are all keeping a journal as our descendants are not going to believe any of this years from now. I am praying that all of you are well and please reach out if there is something we can do to help in any way. I've had a few of you ask about the possibility of school going into the summer months or returning early and right now, anything is possible. I promise to let you know as soon as any decisions have been made. Personally, I would prefer just ending this year sooner rather than later and then just starting fresh in August. We will pray that things are safer then and we will have a giant celebration of some sort to say goodbye to 2019-2020; maybe a big bonfire!

On a more serious note, since we have so many of us concerned about finances, please note that April was the last tuition payment for the 2019-2020 school year. We have pushed back the school fees due for 2020-2021 until June 1st in order to give families a little more time with all this uncertainty. If you have chosen the semester or 10 month tuition plan, FACTS fees will be finalized in mid May. Confirmation will be emailed from FACTS 10 days prior to the deduction. Those fees go directly to FACTS for their services. School fees for supplies, etc. again are \$625 for middle school and \$425 elementary/ECC. With that, please let us know if you are in need of tuition assistance due to a job loss or significant loss of income due to the pandemic. We feel very strongly that we don't want anymore disruption in the lives of our students and families! I hope you have been able to take advantage of some of the resources our counselors are sharing and we appreciate all the great feedback you have provided. I will send another little "check in" survey later this week to see how everyone is doing. I have to say that I am incredibly proud of our whole community. I promise we will get through this as our SLCS Saints always rise to the challenge.

God bless all of you!

Suzanne Barto



COUNSELORS' CORNER

The counselors have a very special video message for our students!



Click <u>HERE</u> to listen to Mrs. Nickel, ECC/Elementary Counselor!



Click <u>HERE</u> to listen to Mrs. Schurman, MS Counselor!



NEWS

HAPPY WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD FOR OUR ECC STUDENTS

This week is the NAEYC's (National Association for the Education of Young Children) "Week of the Young Child." We know many students will be sad to miss it, especially our ECC Spring Carnival, but we can still celebrate our youngest learners at home and virtually! If you do an activity for the Week of the Young Child, please send us a picture or show us on Facebook.

- Monday, April 13th = Music Monday
- Tuesday, April 14th = Tasty Tuesday
- Wednesday, April 15th = Work Together Wednesday
- Thursday, April 16th = Artsy Thursday
- Friday, April 17th = Family Friday

Details about each day and more information may be found <u>HERE.</u> Way to go ECC!

REGISTER FOR BASC (BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE) PROGRAM

Registration for 2020-2021 is now open. Please follow the link to complete your registration. HERE and secure a spot in the program. Registration fees are: \$30 for families registering ONE child, and \$50 for families registering TWO or MORE children. Once you have completed the online registration form, your registration fee will be added to your FACTS account. Please visit our BASC page on the school website (under Parent Life tab) for more program/plan option details. For specific questions, please email HERE.

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR SAINTS SMALL BUSINESS

We would like to support our Saints small businesses (Saints families or supporters) that are open during this shutdown and need our help during this difficult time. If you would like your name added to this LIST, please email your business information to Adriana Gutierrez **HERE**!

SAINTS SMALL BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

- First Tire & Automotive We are here for you! First Tire & Automotive is classified as an essential service, so we are open! Although we have increased the strength and frequency of sanitization in all our stores, we are happy to pick up and return your car so you never have to leave the comfort of your home. Visit our website HERE for details of how First Tire & Automotive is responding to COVID-19. We are open Monday Saturday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm
- Haeckerville Pharmacy Prescriptions and compounding 9402 Hwy 6 South Suite 400 281-915-20793 -We accept most major insurance and also offer local delivery and curbside pickup.
- Noah's Ark Academy Highway 6 and Williams Trace Open now for essential workers.

- Rustika Cafe 3227 Highway 6 (by Corelli's at Williams Trace), Sugar Land, Tx, 77478, HERE (281) 494-4230. Free delivery area - 5 mile radius, can go a little further for a large order.
- Sugar Cycles 7260 Highway 6 #400 Missouri City, TX 77459 713-823-0755 Open, but call for appointment - Manager: Fred Rebollido

ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK NOW

Order your 2019-2020 yearbook today. Yearbooks will be delivered in late August of 2020.

- Go to Balfour.com
- Find St. Laurence Catholic School
- Purchase using a credit or debit card.

SHARE YOUR PICTURES FOR OUR YEARBOOK USING THE BALFOUR APP! YOU CAN INCLUDE YOUR VIRTUAL LEARNING PICTURES!

Our photographers can't be everywhere. If you've got great photos of school events, or you and your school friends just having fun, please share them with us. The more photos you share, the better our yearbook will be for everyone.

IT'S VERY EASY

- Download the Balfour Image Share app
- Create an account and start sharing your pictures
- Project number: 020467 Password: saints
- Questions? Contact Adriana Gutierrez HERE.



AUCTION NEWS

RAFFLE TICKETS- ON SALE NOW!

Purchase your raffle tickets by this Friday, April 17th and be entered to win a \$50 Amazon gift card! More tickets gives you more entries! A \$20 ticket gives you a chance to win a custom golf cart, SLCS Tuition, and more! Share this opportunity with grandparents, family, and friends. Purchase tickets **HERE!**

Luxury Raffle

- Custom 4 Seater, Electric Golf Cart
- \$500 Knights of Columbus Feast for a Year: smoked turkey, 2 briskets, fish fry for 4 people for 5 weeks

School Raffle

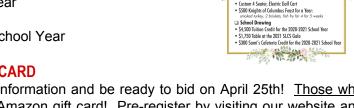
- \$4,500 Tuition Credit for the 2020-2021 School Year
- \$1.750 Table at the **2021** SLCS Gala
- \$300 Sami's Cafeteria Credit for the 2020-2021 School Year

PRE-REGISTER TO BID ONLINE- WIN AN AMAZON GIFT CARD

Pre-Register on our Auction website with your contact information and be ready to bid on April 25th! Those who pre-register by April 22nd will be entered to win a \$50 Amazon gift card! Pre-register by visiting our website and clicking "Sign In" on the upper right hand corner **HERE!**



USEFUL LINKS



ST. LAURENCE CATHOLIC SCHOO

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The Saints Garden

BOOSTER CLUB SPIRIT STORE - Find the Booster Club forms HERE

EASY FUNDRAISING

- AMAZON SMILE Use this link <u>HERE</u> when you order anything on Amazon and select St. Laurence Catholic School as your charity so that a percent of your purchase is given back to our school!
- BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION. For information, read <u>HERE</u> or contact Sheri Cass <u>HERE</u>.

EDUCATION

SEL/SECOND STEP PROGRAM LINKS

VOLUNTEER

- ECC CAMPUS LUNCH DUTY: Sign up <u>HERE</u> Coordinator: Priscilla Hill <u>HERE</u>
- MAIN CAMPUS LUNCH DUTY: Sign Up HERE Coordinator: Cynthia Bryant HERE



PARISH NEWS

FAMILY ROSARY TIME

Each Friday at 8 pm, the <u>Family Ministry</u> hosts a Family Rosary via Zoom. Go <u>HERE</u> to join the group which has been growing in number each week!





MISSION STATEMENT

As a pastoral instrument of the Church, St. Laurence Catholic School educates and develops the whole Christian person in body, mind, and spirit through the trinity of parent, child, and educator.

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