

Thoughts from the Principal

I have been warmly welcomed by the Holy Spirit community. Thank you for expressing your best wishes to me.

Your children are a pleasure to observe. I have had the privilege of meeting the classes each day. Your children display a real interest in academics and know how to behave with good manners.

As we end the academic year I ask that all tuition and/or other financial obligations be addressed in a timely manner. I will be sending letters and calling families who are not current on their tuition payments.

A thank you is extended to Fr. Joe and to the parish and school leaders who participated at Tuesday evening's information night. The program was most informative.

Students in grades 3-8 took the NYS English Language Arts test this week. I thank the teachers and parents for the attention there tests have received. Students are prepared well because of your work.

May and June are very busy months. The good weather often becomes a distraction. I ask for your support in keeping your child's attention on academics during this time, we will be teaching to the last day of school.

School Board Meetings

For your information, all school board meetings are open to the members of our school and parish communities to attend. You may listen to the proceedings. There is a time for a two minute public comment at the beginning of each meeting. A person may address the board and share an idea or make a comment. No comments on teachers or staff are permitted. All comments must

be in a respectful and appropriate tone. The school board does not have to respond to public comments but will take them into consideration in their planning.

Also, school board minutes will be kept in the school office in a labeled binder for any member of our school or parish community to review. Just ask the secretary for the binder and return it when you are done.

Operation Rice Bowl

Thank you for your generous donations for Operation Rice Bowl! The second graders counted **\$669.00!**

Congratulations to Our Very Own Young Film Critic, Jackson M. in Sixth Grade Wins Top Honor

11-year old film critic/entertainment reporter **Jackson M.** captured his first Emmy Award Sunday night at the 53rd Annual NY Emmys, held in front of a record black- tie crowd of over 800 at the Marriott Marquis in New York City.

Jackson won his Emmy in the category - On Camera Talent: Commentator/Editorialist for his "**Lights-Camera-Jackson**" movie review segment seen each week on YNN, Time Warner's 24 hour news stations throughout New York State.

In his acceptance speech, LCJ thanked the NY Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, his parents and family, his colleagues at YNN, his teachers, past and present, and the two people who inspired him to become a film critic and TV personality: Roger Ebert and Regis Philbin.

Jackson's speech received the only standing ovation of the night and he is

now the youngest person to win a NY Emmy in the 53 years of this prestigious award.

Jackson was a double-nominee this year, his first time taking part in the NY Emmys. He was also nominated in the category of Entertainment Program.

"Lights-Camera-Jackson" can be seen weekly throughout upstate New York and Western New England on YNN-Albany (Capital Region), YNN-Syracuse, (Syracuse, Watertown and Binghamton) and YNN Dutchess County.

Jackson also does movie reviews on WWDY, AM 1460 Albany (Radio Disney) and he writes movie reviews/columns for *The Record* (Troy) newspaper. And his popular website: www.lights-camera-jackson.com contains all of his reviews, plus celebrity interviews, movie news and much more.

Spring Hike

The Holy Spirit Church Spring Hike will be on Sunday, May 2nd at Peebles Island, Waterford, followed by dinner at Holy Spirit School Gym at 5:30 pm, Mass at 7 pm.. Please mark your calendar and join us.

Uniforms

May 1st is the first day spring warm weather uniforms may be worn. Please review the warm weather uniform policy as found in the handbook.

A representative from our uniform company will be at our school on **May 3rd** from **1-2:30 PM** to measure for next year's uniform.

Out of Uniform

A reminder regarding appropriate dress – when students are granted an out of uniform day, clothing that is worn

instead of the school uniform should be modest and appropriate for school. The length of skirts or shorts should be modest (to the knee – not short-shorts, for example). Clothing should contain no insignia, wording or graphics that could be considered in poor taste or offensive. Thank you for your cooperation.

Uniform Company

May 3rd

Student Styles, our uniform company will be here from 1-2:30 on Monday, May 3rd. Orders taken and paid for on this day will receive free school delivery. There will be a 10% discount for everyone measured, and a 10% discount for store purchases in the month of June.

Holy Spirit Summer Program

Registration forms are due! Spaces are filling up quickly! Program dates are June 28-August 6. See Ms. Patti or Ms. Dawn for information.

Yearbook Announcement

Our Yearbook Committee has submitted the yearbook for print. Please get your orders in today to ensure that a copy is reserved for your child. Cost is \$25 payable to Holy Spirit School. Yearbooks are expected the first week of June. We are planning an after school yearbook signing party. More info coming soon!

A Look Ahead: Upcoming Events -

“Mark Your Calendar”

May 3rd – Student Styles – our uniform company will be here from 1-2:30.

May 17th – May 20st - Nature's Classroom for grade 5.

May 20th - **Grade 6 & 7** Class Trip to the Bronx Zoo

Friday, May 21st - Grade K-8, **May Crowning Liturgy** led by Grade 2 in Holy Spirit Church at 9:00. **Grade 8 Graduation Picture** and **Grade 2 First Communion Picture** at 10:00.

May 25th – Middle School Honors Night at 7 pm

June 4th - K-3 Spring Concert and K-8 Art Show at 6:30

June 10th - **Grade 8** Graduation Banquet at Michael's – 5:30 p.m.

June 11th - Golf Outing at Winding Brook Country Club

June 15th – **Nursery School**

Graduation – morning class at 9:30; afternoon class at 1:30.

June 16th – **Pre-Kindergarten**

Graduation – morning class at 9:30; afternoon class at 1:30.

June 17th - **Last day for Middle School students** (grades 6 & 7)

June 18th - **Kindergarten Graduation** at 9 a.m. Early dismissal at 10:35.

June 18th - Integrated Algebra Regents at 1:15.

June 21st – **Grade 8 Spanish** Proficiency Exam at 9:15.

June 22nd - Earth Science Regents Exam at 9:15

June 22nd – **Grade 8 Graduation Liturgy at 5:30. Reception in Gym at 6:30.**

June 23rd – Family School picnic at the East Greenbush Town Park at 10:00.

June 24th - Last day of classes. "OU" Day Dismissal at 10:35

June 25th – Daycare Graduation at 10 a.m.

CLASSROOM NEWS

DAYCARE 3 YEAR OLDS

April was a month of growing in the Three's classroom! We began the month learning about plants growing. We watched lima beans sprout roots and talked about what plants need to grow. We planted our own flowers, and we can't wait to see how big they will get! We had a lot of fun at our Easter egg hunt and dyeing eggs. We ended the month learning about all the different types of transportation. We also learned about the letters U,V and W, the number 9, and the color purple. In addition to all of our learning fun, we have begun to get ready for graduation and our transition to the four year old room!

The Three's will have a great time getting ready for graduation and summer in the month of May! We will begin the month with a unit on different types of animals focusing on where they live. We will also learn about our five senses. We will spend time talking about and getting ready for Mother's Day. The Three's will finish their alphabet with the letters X, Y, and Z, and will also learn about the number 10. We will continue to get ready for graduation. We can't wait for the big day.

DAYCARE 4 YEAR OLDS

April gave us sunny days and warm weather. The children watched the weather change and were very excited to plant seeds and spend extra time outdoors.

In May the children will continue to review the alphabet. They will work on skill readiness sheets for their folders, create multi step projects and write stories with their fifth grade reading buddies. They will make very special presents for Mother's Day. The themes will be backyard bugs, butterflies, and

the ocean. Plans for graduation and learning new songs will keep us busy.

Happy Birthday to:

Brook H. – May 2nd
Nicolas D. – May 27th

NURSERY NEWS

Nursery school has been growing in every way. We are very beautiful colorers. We colored an owl in a nest, and he flew through the letter O. We read a story about an owl family and learned even owl mommies always come back. We even made an owl head out of a paper plate.

Guess who got to be the Big, Bad Wolf in the story of “The Three Little Pigs”? We colored and glued the pig’s houses onto paper. The pigs were our puppets, and we wore big, bad wolf masks,

We assembled a “quilt” onto paper. Our quilt pattern was a flower, and we colored a large letter Q.

PRE-K NEWS

Congratulations to Candice E. She has a new baby brother, Lance Jacob, born on April 6th. He was 7.3 pounds and 19 inches.

O is for ocean. We all did superior work creating our own ocean environment. We chose our creatures, colored them, and arranged them into one part of the ocean.

Pigs a plenty. We cut and glued together a large letter p pig. We made a piggy bank for our pennies. We glued together a penguin.

Together we made a friendship quilt. We chose the background colors and picked our own hand print color.

Happy Birthday to:

Skylar B. – May 5th
Ryan A. – May 6th
Leigha T. – May 20th
Brian T. – May 24th
Kayla M. – May 30th

KINDERGARTEN

We reluctantly ended our unit on the ocean environment, fish and other ocean animals. The class began a unit on subtraction. Goldfish math is a favorite activity. The children enjoyed the antics of the “hungry whale or shark” and then listened to subtraction stories. Right before Easter there was a surprise visit from the Easter Bunny. The Bunny learned that the children were using Lent as a time to show kindness to one another as well as a time to be prayerful. There was lots of excitement over the surprises left behind.

The class will begin a thematic unit on Seeds and Plants. Like Jack in the Beanstalk the children will plant beans and watch them grow. The children are growing and learning in so many ways. We can’t believe that it less than two months until graduation.

Happy Birthday to:

Kyle M. – May 7th
Drew B. – May 12th

GRADE 1 NEWS

First grade is so excited this month as we will begin our science unit on plants! For this unit we will be looking at the insides of seeds, planting and comparing grass and sunflower plants. For this unit we will also become scientists as we keep a plant journal documenting our findings during our unit. We are also excited to start our unit on life cycles and we can’t wait to have real live tadpoles in our room!

During this unit we will be watching our tadpoles change and grow.

In reading we will be continuing our unit on great ideas. We will be learning about simple machines and how they work and how animals help plants grow.

In math we will be working on money and measurement. We already know a lot about money as we trade pennies for nickels for dimes to use standard and non-standard units of measurement as we measure our fingers, feet, and toes! We will also be going on a nature walk to measure plants, leaves, sticks, and more!

Keep up the excellent work first grade!

GRADE 2 NEWS

May is a busy month in second grade! We have been working very hard on our final preparations for First Eucharist. In the upcoming weeks most of the second graders will be celebrating their First Eucharist. Many of them will celebrate at Holy Spirit Church on Saturday, May 15th at 11:00 a.m. They are anxiously awaiting the opportunity to share in this wonderful part of their Catholic faith.

In addition to preparing for the First Eucharist, the children have started practicing for the May Crowning Mass. Please join us on Friday, May 21st at 9:00 a.m. for this special celebration.

Happy Birthday to:
Nicholas G. – May 18th

GRADE 3 NEWS

Grade 3 students returned from their Spring break well rested and ready to tackle the last quarter of third grade! Our Math focus will be on geometry for

the next few weeks following the NYS exams. We are going to be learning how our government works, and preparing and presenting state reports.

Happy Spring! We are looking forward to showcasing our talents in the Spring Concert and Art Show!

Happy Birthday to:
Sam L. – May 7th

GRADE 4 NEWS

Mrs. Antalek attended a course on Creative Catechism through Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany.

Fourth grade did a great job on their NYS ELA tests! Everyone worked hard and put forth their best effort. We are looking forward to finishing up our last two tests in May and June.

Enjoy your Memorial Day weekend!

Happy Birthday to:
Lilia P. – May 1st

GRADE 5 NEWS

Great job to cast, crew and directors of Alice In Wonderland. Grade 5 is very proud of you.

May is a very busy month for Grade 5. We have prepared very hard for our two state tests which we will take.

In Social Studies, while working on the expansion unit, we will also be working on State projects. Tri-fold boards need to be in by the 14th. We will begin working on the boards on the 21st (Friday). State Fair is Thursday the 27th.

Nature's Classroom is May 17-20. We are excited about this trip. Please have all needed forms in ASAP as they are due April 29th.

Grade 5 would like to extend their blessing to Grade 2 as they make their First Holy Eucharist.

Happy Birthday to:

Kirystn S. – May 1st

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

**CONGRATULATION TO THE
FOLLOWING STUDENTS**

Grade 8 High Honors

Samantha B.

Kevin B.

Roan F.

Zoë F.

Isabella K.

Emily L.

Elizabeth M.

Kaitlyn M.

Carrianna V.

Sydney W.

Grade 8 Honors

Shayne B.

Zack D.

John E.

Andréa K.

Regan M.

Mihee P.

Cassidy P.

Phyllis R.

Cullen U.

Grade 7 High Honors

Christina B.

Cole B.

Ethan D.

Stephen J.

Jacob L.

Althea M.

Amelia S.

Dominique S.

Grade 7 Honors

Christian L.

Robbie M.

Logan R.

Lucy R.

Kathryn S.

Sarah D.

Grade 6 High Honors

Dermot C.

Christian E.

Ryan F.

Brevin F.

Jeremy L.

Tommy M.

Jackson M.

Stryker R.

Grade 6 Honors

Nicholas F.

Ryan G.

Reid L.

Claire M.

Judy N.

Jessica P.

Jacob P.

Taylor P.

Riley W.

Danny Y.

From Mrs. Voellm

Middle School News

Sixth and Seventh graders are getting ready to attend the Bronx Zoo on May 20th. We are also looking forward to Honors Night on May 25th.

Middle School Math

All of Mrs. Voellm's Math classes are getting ready for the Math State Tests on May 5th, 6th, and 7th. They have been practicing and studying their concepts on a daily basis. After the state tests we will finish up the curriculum and work on our math projects.

From Mrs. Kennedy
Middle School Literature

Literature 8- Students in both classes will be exploring the works of William Shakespeare, specifically *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and/or his sonnets. Once they adjust to the differences in language, they will find that there are more connections to human nature today than they might have previously thought.

Literature 7- Students will be exploring Greek Mythology this month and will begin work on a mini-research paper that will strengthen their research skills. They will also independently read novels for their literature circle group, which meets to discuss and analyze the book once a week in the library.

Literature 6- Students will independently read novels surrounding the theme of adventure. They will meet once a week to discuss their reading with their literature circles. Students will also work on a research project to strengthen their research skills.

Happy Birthday to:
Zoe F. – May 7th
Zack D. – May 29th

From Mrs. Giabanis
Middle School Social Studies
Literature & Grammar

Literature 6- After the ELA exam we will begin our Avi unit. With Mrs. Parmenter and Mrs. Kennedy's help, we are looking at two historical fiction books by the author, Avi. The books are Don't You Know There's A War On?, and The Secret School. Students will learn about the different characters and showing their understanding through class discussion,

various assignments, and literature circles.

Social Studies 6- We are learning about Ancient Egypt through primary resources, multi media sources, and our wonderful textbook! The students are continuing to bring their wonderful energy and love of history to class each day!

Social Studies 7- We are learning about the The Age of Jackson and the period of time following the War of 1812. Students are learning about many interesting court decisions that dealt with the struggle between State and Federal rights.

Social Studies 8- We are currently reviewing learning about the Civil Rights Era in American History. We are looking at how racial differences impacted our nation and sparked a generational movement toward equality of the races and gender. In the coming weeks we will begin reviewing for the New York State 8th grade Assessment given in June.

Happy Birthday to:
Alyssa A.-May 8th
Dominique S.-May 9th
Kathryn S.-May 10th

Mr. Mahoney
Middle School Science

6th Grade Earth Science: We are currently studying the Earth-Moon-Sun system. Our chapter will culminate in a team project: construction of a lunar base!

6th and 7th Grade Life Science: We have just finished the circulatory system, including an open heart surgery lab! We identified major components of the heart: atria, ventricles, vena cava,

aorta, etc. Soon we'll begin our chapter on the respiration and excretion, which will revolve around a team-based project: construction of an artificial lung!

7th and 8th Grade Physical

Sciences: We've completed our chapter on energy with rousing team debates for the "best" energy source. Next, we will have a team-based project: building a model rollercoaster. This will reinforce and enrich all of the major physical concepts we've learned this year: Newton's laws of motion, inertia, velocity, friction, centripetal and centrifugal forces.

Eight grade continues to review for the NYS Science Assessment.

From Mrs. Colangione **Middle School Spanish**

The **Spanish 8** students continue to expand their vocabulary knowledge and their grammatical understanding of the Spanish language. These two areas contribute to the students' writing, reading, and speaking skills for communication. Every day they develop written letters and conversations to ensure constant growth with their communication skills. They are presently using units of study, their text, and the "Ahora" magazine to reinforce and further develop their cultural experience with the Spanish language and its culture.

The **Spanish 7** students are presently working on the Meal Taking unit which is filled with lots of new, practical vocabulary. If your child uses Spanish at the table, we're making great progress!! In addition to this unit of study we've been working on creating dialogues based on clues provided about a particular topic or event. This has been quite challenging for them, but at the

same time quite rewarding and a lot of fun. They continue to write brief letters in Spanish as well.

The **Grade 6** students have been working on a variety of activities. They have just concluded a unit of study on the weather which was fun because they now know how to say and write the various weather conditions that can exist. In addition to weather, the students have been studying the days of the week, months of the year, and have learned some Spanish mythology!! In the next few weeks, they will start to do brief conversations with classmates.

From Mrs. Leverone **Religious Education**

In **8th Grade** we continue to study the history of the church, the Holy Roman Empire, and the growth of Catholic Christianity. We studied Pope Leo the Great, Charlemagne, and Leo III. We continue our prayer support for our second grade students who prepare to celebrate their First Communion this month. I am very proud of the leadership exhibited by our Eighth Grade students.

In **7th Grade** we prepared and presented biographies on the lives of Saints. We are focusing on the Eucharist, parts of the Mass, and a tour of the church. We will visit Holy Spirit Church during class time and participate in a Window Tour. Thanks to Maria Collins for the great idea and information! Encourage your child to take notice of your church and all of its surroundings.

6th Grade continues to focus on the Old Testament with Daniel, Solomon, and King David. In class, they are preparing a biography of a Saint chosen from our religion book.

Look for information about our 6th and 7th Grade field trip to the Auriesville Shrine of the Martyrs. Chaperones will be needed for this day trip. The trip is scheduled for Thursday, June 3. Pray for sunshine!

Students will need to bring a rosary to religion class for the month of May.

Random Thought: "There are two ways of spreading light -- to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it."
-- Edith Wharton

May Saints and Holy Days to remember:

- 1- St. Joseph the Worker (St. Joseph teaches us that the work we do is important)
- 2- St. Philip and St. James (two of the original disciples)
- 13- Ascension Thursday
- 30- St. Joan of Arc (remember her heroic courage)
- 31- The Visitation of Mary (reflect on the Magnificat)

From Mrs. Valley
Grade 8 Earth Science Regents and
Integrated Algebra Regents

NYS Regents Earth Science

During April in earth science, we became amateur mineralogists! We completed laboratories on the methods of identifying minerals and the three types of rocks: igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic. We also briefly studied the rock cycle and discovered how rocks can change from one type into another type. Following the unit on rocks and minerals, we began a study of weathering, erosion and deposition. This study 'solidifies' our understanding of the rock cycle, detailing how the solid

rock of the lithosphere is broken down, transported and deposited. Once this unit is completed, we will study crustal activity of the earth.

NYS Regents Integrated

Algebra

During our April algebra classes, we completed studies of scientific notation, properties of exponents, and exponential equations. We specifically studied examples of growth and decay, including savings account interest, compound interest, population growth, and radioactive decay. We then moved on to a study of radical expressions, operations with radicals, and solutions of radical equations.

Mrs. Stone – Grade 8 Writing

Students have finished their research papers and worked with focus and care to produce some excellent research. This series of skills will serve them well in high school and beyond where they will be expected to complete this type of work independently.

We are finishing the year with some grammar, and they are also finishing their preparation for the State English Language Arts Exam. Mrs. Kennedy has done a wonderful job to prepare them and Mrs. Colangione's grammar lessons will help them succeed on this test as well.

LIBRARY

Spring has brought flowers anew, in library it is time to look back and review.

We're reviewing book parts in grades 1, 2 and 3.

Remembering and using all of our library vocabulary.

In grades 5 and 4 we are working towards a more

In-depth understanding of the library.
Reviewing how to find resources we
need to use
And the fiction books we want to peruse.
Students grades 3 and up have learned
about the catalog online
And are proficient in using this system to
find
Books of fiction and books of fact.
Grades 6 is exploring poetry and Grade 7
finished their Dewey Decimal
PowerPoint presentations with tact.
Grade 8 finished their research papers
with style,
Their effort and execution took their
papers the extra mile.
Kindergarteners and Teddy Bear Friends
Have begun reading summer time
stories.
The Reading Olympics are coming to an
end,
So what I need to say dear friends
Is Keep Reading!!

MUSIC NEWS

I can't believe it's already time to
be rehearsing for the spring concert, but
here we are! Our theme this year is
Summer Fun. We are singing a lot of
songs with a Hawaiian feel. Soon I will
begin sending home letters regarding any
specific costume or prop your child may
need. All students will be wearing
sunglasses at some point in the concert.
Any other prop will be something the
child already owns, such as a baseball
uniform, a boogie board, or a lei. I will
also start assigning reading parts to the
students soon. If your child has a
reading/speaking part, please help them
with it at home. Thank you for all your
help!

Our K-3 students are hard at
work learning the songs and motions for
the concert. We are having a lot of fun

with the summer theme. Second grade
students are also practicing their May
crowning songs. A copy of the words
has been sent home with them. Please
practice the words with them, since they
are very challenging.

Our fourth and fifth graders are
singing and playing instruments. Fourth
grade is working on several new recorder
pieces as well.

The middle school classes just
switched for the fourth quarter, and I
look forward to seeing faces I haven't
seen in awhile. We will be doing a
mixture of playing Orff instruments,
singing, and learning about composers
and music history.

Handbell rehearsals are coming
along very well. Please be sure your
child attends each rehearsal. Thank you!

PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

This month in physical education
we will be enjoying the outdoors when
the weather permits. We will be playing
team hand ball and learning about track
and field. The elementary levels will be
playing cooperative games as well. Also
we will build upon the students'
knowledge of fitness and the effects
fitness has on the body. In physical
education I try to expand the students'
knowledge of movement and encourage
the students to be as active as possible
when they are home. Please try to
encourage this as well to ensure your
child has a long healthy active life. I
have seen a dramatic increase in the
students' activity levels in class and also
an improvement in their skills. So
congratulations to them and we will
continue to get better every class. Enjoy
the sun!

Coach Groff

SPANISH NEWS

Kindergarten children are almost done with the Spanish alphabet book. We do one letter every class and we practice the words for the letter and continue with warm up activities, for example, sing-a-song and coloring paper sheets. Keep up the good work.

Grade One students have been working with the Unit of La Familia – “Family”. We have been practicing the words and working with work paper sheets and we have also been working with the alphabet in Spanish! Keep up the good work!

Grade Two and Three students have been working with the Unit of La Familia - practicing vocabulary words and working with paper sheets and the family tree project. The children did a great job! We also started the unit of “Simon Says”. Students have been learning commands in Spanish and working with word searches and coloring activities. Keep up the good work!

Grade Four and Five have been working with the unit of weather and seasons. They have been practicing vocabulary words and learning facts about weather and seasons of the year and reinforcing the lesson with exercises in the book. Keep up the good work!

TECHNOLOGY NEWS

KINDERGARTEN – GRADE 1 have created colorful pinwheels using the graphics program, Kid Pix. They can pin them to a pencil eraser and have a beautiful home made pinwheel.

GRADE 2 finished their online “Lucky Charms” spreadsheets. We

received a “Certificate of Appreciation”, for being part of this nationwide project.

GRADE 3, 4, and 5 Since April is poetry month these students have been creating Acrostic, Space and Diamante poems using the website, <http://www.readwritethink.org>. These poems will then be assembled into a Poetry Book. They are creating cover pages for their booklets using *Microsoft Publisher or Microsoft Word*. This is an integrated Library and Technology project.

GRADE 6 has been creating Fractured Fairytale Cartoons. Their creative juices are flowing and we are enjoying the results. They used many callouts and animations to create interesting cartoons.

GRADE 7 finished their Fast Food Spreadsheets. They learned how to calculate the fat calories and the percentage of fat in various foods. They are now in the process of creating Fractured Fairytale Cartoons.

GRADE 8 is learning how to use *Microsoft Movie Maker* to create movies about their years at Holy Spirit School. They are using the Story Board to insert pictures and titles to make interesting movies.

PARENT/SCHOOL ASSOCIATION NEWS

Save the Dates

Friday, June 11th: Holy Spirit Golf Classic at Winding Brook Country Club.

Join us for a fun day of golf and terrific prizes! ! Bring some friends, family members or coworkers and support our school while having a great day on the golf course!

Saturday June 19th: Valleycats Game

Join us at “the Joe” for a great night of baseball and fireworks! Information will be coming home via “backpack mail”! Hope to see you at the game!

Spring Fundraiser

Congratulations to the following families who won prizes in our Spring Raffle:

- 1st Place - \$1,000 - Harrienger family
- 2nd Place - \$500 - Preston family
- 3rd Place - \$250 - Clarke/Rieth family
- 4th Place- \$100 - Delmerico family

Many thanks to Colleen Y. and Cathy S. for all of their work on this fundraiser!

Silent Auction Gala Fundraiser

On Saturday April 24th parents, parishioners, family, and friends gathered at Crossgates Banquet House to honor our beloved Kindergarten teacher MaryAnn McConnell, and to raise money for our school. Guests enjoyed a delicious dinner, and had the opportunity to bid on many terrific items. Many thanks to Tina S., Lauren C., and the entire Silent Auction Committee for a truly wonderful evening. The PSA would also like to thank Michael F. for once again acting as the emcee for the live auction. We really appreciate the effort everyone put towards making the evening so successful and enjoyable!

Box Tops and Labels for Education

The PSA would like to encourage all families to clip Box Tops and

Campbell’s soup labels and submit them to school. Box Tops can be found on many products including General Mills Cereals, Kleenex tissues, Ziploc Bags, Juicy Juice, and Pillsbury rolls. Holy Spirit will receive 10 cents for each Box Top. For each soup label the school receives points that can be redeemed for school supplies and equipment. Please clip Box Tops and Campbell’s soup labels to make a difference for our school!