

*St. Hilary of Poitiers School*

# *Notes From Mrs. Fagan*



**April 24, 2012**



*The Faculty and Students of St. Hilary of Poitiers Catholic School wish you the Joys and Blessings of a Happy Easter! As Easter People, as we embrace the beauty of new life in the Spring Season, we pray our hearts and lives are filled with the Gift of Hope! This Easter Season let us allow ourselves to recognize God's love in our lives and experience the wonder of Jesus' triumph over death!*



We look forward to seeing all of you at our **Arts Festival on Thursday** evening. The talents of our children will be showcased in both the areas of Art and Music. We extend our gratitude to Mr. Pignataro and Mrs. Carlo for their dedication and commitment to the arts. The talents of our children never cease to amaze me! Please make sure you attend on Thursday and share in their accomplishments!!

Our new **Pre-K Registration** is now OPEN! Please visit our website for additional information. If you have any questions, please call our school office.

On **Friday, April 27**, we will be saying goodbye to Ms. Kilroy. We thank Ms. Kilroy and Mrs. Rossi for continuing to provide a challenging and faith-filled environment in our Kindergarten Classroom during these past few months. Their dedication and commitment has created a positive transitional time for the children. On Monday, **April 30**, we will welcome Mrs. Pohle back from her maternity leave. I am grateful to Mrs. Rossi, Ms. Kilroy, and Mrs. Pohle for all their efforts in providing a consistent curriculum and daily routine for the children.

Our education standards call for our students to demonstrate what they know and share what they have discovered and learned. Our students extend our curriculum in real life situations as we venture on a variety of field trips.

- The **Fourth Grade** students expanded their Social Studies Curriculum on Pennsylvania Government during their recent visit to our State Capital in Harrisburg. The students were guided through the Governor's Mansion and the State Capitol Building as a guest of Representative Boyle.
- Our **Seventh and Eighth Grade Classes** attended Giacomo Puccini's Opera, *Manon Lescaut*, presented by the **Opera Company of Philadelphia at the Academy of Music**. The students mastered an understanding of the plot and characters, were exposed to the composer and key musical elements and the elements of producing an opera, as well as relating incidents in the opera to those of the present day. They are to be congratulated for their knowledge of, exposure to, and *PARTICIPATION* at this cultural production.
- Our **Third and Fourth Grade** have shared a music lesson with our friends at Our Lady of Confidence this past week. The children's welcoming spirit and excitement was a gift to all of us!
- Our **Third Grade Class** will be traveling to Lancaster County this week. The students will experience a variety of communities at work as they visit an Amish Farm, the Intercourse Pretzel Factory, the Intercourse Cannery, the Choo Choo Barn, and ride the Strausburg Railroad!

A Safe Environment Lesson will be presented in all grades on Thursday, April 26.

We will honor our Blessed Mother as a school community on **Wednesday, May 2** at **7:00 PM** at our **May Procession**. Please plan to attend this joyous evening of prayer as we ask Our Lady to intercede to Our Lord on our behalf. All children are expected to participate in the May Procession.

### **Congratulations to ...**

**Brian Robbins, Gr. 8** who represented St. Hilary School in the **Archdiocesan String Festival** on Saturday, April 21 at Archbishop Ryan High School. We are very proud of you, Brian!! Your musical gifts continue to grace our community!!!

### **Saint Hilary of Poitiers Parish celebrates the Joy and Hope of 50 Years!!**

As we continue to share in the joy of our **50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Celebration**, we ask you to remember to mark your calendar for our upcoming events.

- **Sunday, April 29 10 AM Wedding Anniversary Celebration**  
Please join those couples celebrating 25 and 50 or more years of marriage. What a blessing for us all to see this witness of the Sacrament of Matrimony in our community!

- **Sunday, May 20 12 Noon Mass**  
Archbishop Charles Chaput will be the main celebrant at our Jubilee Mass.  
Our choir will be assisting with the Music Ministry!!

### **Calendar Reminders and Changes:**

School will be closed on **Friday, May 18** to replace one of our unused snow days.

There will be an **EDGE Barbeque for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade** members to welcome our incoming **6<sup>th</sup> Grade** members on **Friday, June 1**.

***All Payment Plan Option Forms and \$100.00 Registration Fees*** (applied to the Technology Fee for the 2012-2013 School Year) were due by **February 28<sup>th</sup>**. It is important to submit your registration form and fee for the 2012-2013 School Year so we can secure our enrollment.

***Registration for the 2012-2013 School Year is currently open. Please contact Mrs. Fagan if you have any questions about registration.***

***All Fees and Tuition need to be current before registering for the 2012-2013 school years and for any student to attend the upcoming class trips.***

### **Online Math Accounts**

***Every student in Grades K-3 has a First in Math account and in Grades 4-8 a Mathletic account. These websites are an excellent and engaging way for your child to reinforce his/her Math Skills. We strongly encourage ALL students in Grades K-8 to be using their site. If you have any questions about logging in, please check with your child's teacher. These accounts are available to the students over the summer. We strongly encourage all students to actively use them for maintenance now and in the summer!***

*Together, school and parish, we have a wonderful community that supports our school and models unconditional stewardship, allowing our children to grow in their faith.*

