

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE

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CARVE YOUR NAME IN STONE

Time is running out to purchase your engraved paver. What a perfect way to honor your family or memorialize a loved one. The 8 x 8 pavers will be installed during Spring break in honor of the 80th Anniversary of our school. Orders will be accepted through January 1, 2005. The price is \$80.00 and forms are available in the church vestibule beside the sample paver, in the school office or on-line at www.saintgregoryparish.org, simply click on to SCHOOL and then FORMS. Many families have already participated, honoring graduated students, teachers, deceased loved ones, baptisms, weddings, and communions. This could be that special Christmas gift that will last forever. If you have any questions, please call Ann Jamieson 216-381-2460 or Michelle Farinacci 440-646-9250.

AGUARS" NOVEMBER 29, 2004"

TWINKLE SHOP

The Twinkle Shop will be open this week for all students on November 30, Dec. 1st and Dec. 2nd. This wonderful event provides the students the opportunity to purchase holiday gifts at reasonable prices. If you have any questions, please contact Monica Ferrante 216-381-6587 or Bobbi Furst 216-691-2699.



Spirit Wear –Christmas Gifts

Orders must be in by November 30, to guarantee Christmas delivery (no exceptions)

Check out the new Spirit Wear collection, located in the trophy case (by the 4th grade classrooms). We have added new items that would make great Christmas gifts. Order forms can be found in the school office. Please mark on the order form –X-Mas gift along with delivery instructions. Any questions on sizes, etc. call Butchie Helton 216.382.5816 or Michelle Farinacci 440.646.9250.

Honey Baked Ham Sale Fund Raiser

Take advantage of easy ordering and pick-up for a delicious Holiday Ham. Also available are scrumptious turkey breasts and Grandmas Coffee Cake. Pre-paid orders must be returned to school by December 13th. Please make checks payable to ST.GREGORY THE GREAT SCHOOL. Plan ahead and purchase a gift certificate for Honey Baked Ham through our certificate program!

On your order please include your name, phone number, items purchased and payment. Orders may be picked up between 5 & 6 on December 23rd in the PFC. Contact Kristen Leahy with any questions 382-4524.

Jr. High Dance –Friday, December 17

Invitations for the Starlight Christmas Junior High Dance will be distributed this week. All 7th and 8th grade students are invited. The cost is \$10, payable to St. Gregory the Great School, and must be returned by Wednesday, December 8th. Don't miss this special celebration planned just for junior high students. The PTC sponsors this event.

REMINDER:

**MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD IS
DRESSED FOR INCLEMENT
WEATHER. STUDENTS GO
OUTSIDE FOR RECESS EACH
DAY EXCEPT IN EXTREME
COLD OR RAIN.**

BUY CERTIFICATES ▶ BUY CERTIFICATES ▶ BUY CERTIFICATES

Buy Certificates!! Buy Certificates!! Buy Certificates!!

There are only a few order dates left to receive certificates in time for Christmas. Take advantage of the many increased discounts to increase your child's tuition credit for the 2005-2006 school year. Certificates make great gifts for your child's teacher, bus driver, coach, childcare provider, grandparents, etc. Order forms are available on the school website (www.stgregory.k12.oh.us), at the rectory and at the credit union. It's time to take advantage of this great tuition reduction program.

New Certificates:

- 1-800-Flowers, \$15 certificate at 8%
- Bruegger's Bagels, \$10 gift card at 5%
- Champps Restaurant and Bar, \$25 gift card at 5%
- Fannie May Candies (online), \$10 certificate at 25%
- Heavenly Ham, \$10 certificate at 8%
- Marathon Oil, \$25 and \$100 gift cards at 3%
- Walgreen's, \$20 gift card at 2%
- Williams-Sonoma, \$100 certificate at 8%

Changes:

- Old Navy has changed from a \$20 gift card to a \$25 gift card. The discount remains the same at 9%
- Galyans at Legacy Village has become Dick's Sporting Goods. Therefore, Galyan's has been removed from our program.
- KB Toys at the Richmond Mall and Great Lakes Mall is going out of business. If you order any certificates, use them promptly.

Increased Holiday Discounts:

- Bath & Body Works, from 13% to 14% until 12/10/04
- Bennigan's/Ponserosa, from 9% to 12% until 12/31/04
- Blockbuster Game Rental, from 15% to 40% until 12/10/04
- Champps Restaurant and Bar, from 5% to 7% until 12/24/04
- Heavenly Ham, from 8% to 9% until 12/24/04
- Land's End, from 9% to 11% until 12/17/04
- Red Robin, from 9% to 18% until 12/24/04
- Ritz Camera, from 6% to 8% until 12/24/04
- Sears, from 4% to 6% until 12/17/04

Finally, there is a new website, www.shopwithscrip.com, which is offered by one of the program's suppliers and offers money saving tips, special offers and product news. Sign up for this free program today.

The Winter Wonderland Father/Daughter dance, sponsored by the PTC, was a great success. We could not have done it without the help of the many volunteers especially Beth Greisl, Traci Kruchan, Lori Prebul, Carol Wunch who chaired this event. This was an evening to remember and greatly appreciated by the 3rd & 4th grade fathers and daughters.

LAST WEEK BEFORE THE BIG EVENT- SANTA COMES FOR BREAKFAST

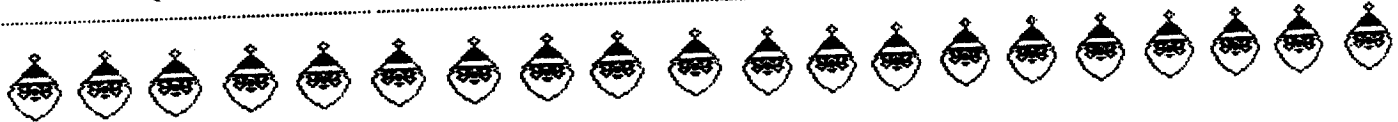
ALL NURSERY THROUGH 2ND GRADE STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA
ST. GREG'S SCHOOL CAFETERIA
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2004
DOORS OPEN AT 8:45 AM

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND ACTIVITIES 9-11 A.M.

\$5.00 PER PERSON, CHILDREN UNDER 2 ARE FREE!

PLEASE RETURN TEAR SLIP BY TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH WITH YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO ST. GREG'S PTC.
QUESTIONS? CALL CHRIS BRINKMAN, 440-473-9628 OR SANDY BAUMAN, 216-381-3221



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

NAME _____

ROOM # _____

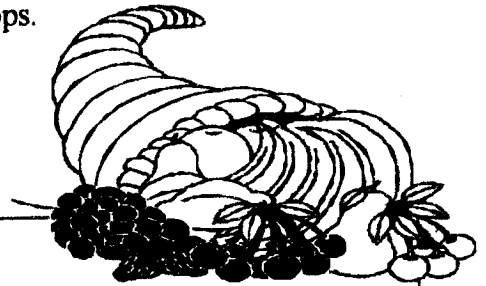
NUMBER OF ADULTS _____

NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER 2 _____

NAME OF FAMILY YOU WOULD LIKE TO SIT WITH _____

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Earn bonus Box Tops for St. Gregory school when you use your Giant Eagle Advantage Club Card between now and February 28th. Go to www.GiantEagle.com and click on Giant Eagle/General Mills Bonus Box Tops for Education Program and enter your card number. Then go shopping! When you purchase 10 General Mills Box Tops for Education in one month the school will receive an extra \$1.00. What an easy way to make money for our school! Thanks for your support and keep saving those Box Tops.

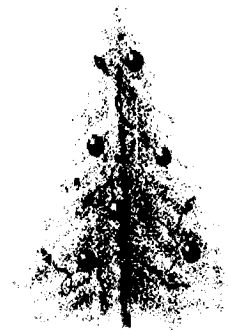


A Personal Thank You!

My thanks for Thanksgiving Day this year is very special. I am thankful to have my husband and my children's father home from the hospital. I am also thankful for all the wonderful families of St. Gregory the Great for their prayers and meals sent to the house. They have made me and my family secure knowing there are people who really care. I have learned a lot over the past six months on how quickly your life can change. Life is very precious and I have learned to live each day given to the fullest. I would like to say a special thank you to Cathy Telgarsky and her family for everything they have done. Thank you very much,

The Lichtinger Family

The Women's Guild invites you to participate in our annual "Giving Tree" event to provide Christmas gifts for less fortunate children in the diocese. The tree will be on display near the front altar of the church from Saturday, November 27 through Sunday, December 12 and will be decorated with colorful gift tags for children from infants to age 12. Please take a tag, purchase a gift of your choice, wrap item and attach the tag securely to the package. Place the wrapped gift under the tree no later than December 12 to allow enough time for the gifts to be delivered before Christmas. If you have any questions, please call Marilyn Buckley at 216-382-0707.



FOOD DRIVE FOR Cleveland's Needy

Alpha Kappa Psi (Business Fraternity at John Carroll University) in conjunction with Fatima Family Center has launched a community wide service project called Operation FOCUS (Families of Cleveland United by Students). Their goal is to collect enough canned or boxed food and money to feed 75 families on December 10, 2004, with \$200.00 worth of groceries for each family. To be successful for this endeavor, they are asking for our help!!!!

If you would like to make a donation, send in any non-perishable food items with your son or daughter. A box for the donations will be in the main hall near the office.

If anyone would personally like to help them deliver the food, they will be delivering on December 10th. If you are interested in helping with this aspect of the drive contact Linda Laurello at 440-479-1728 or email at l laurello05@jcu.edu.