# St. Al's Monday News

# St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic School | November 6, 2023

*The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God endures forever. Isaiah 40:8* 



# Message From the Co-Principals

Dear Families,

I am always amazed at how quickly the seasons change and how each one brings challenges and blessings. November ushers in the start of winter and also a time to reflect and be grateful for all we have, just like our ancestors did when they celebrated Thanksgiving.

We invite you to join us in taking a moment to pause and allow yourself to be filled with gratitude, acknowledging how God cares for us and his creation. Our staff will be focusing on the **history and spirit of Thanksgiving** this month, and we have many great activities planned.

We are looking forward to conferences this week and having a chance to **celebrate your child's gifts** with you and how we can best work together to support your child's educational and faith formation journeys. If you are not able to attend conferences, but would still like to meet with your child's teacher, please reach out to us to find an alternative time.

As we enter into our accreditation cycle, your feedback is very important to us as we begin to examine data which helps set our strategic direction and determine our growth goals. Below is a link to complete a Parent/Community Survey.

We are grateful for your amazing support in a variety of ways and hope you have a spirit-filled week!

Blessings,

Angie Krauss and Dawn Manfred Co-Principals

# Mark Your Calendars

- 11/8: NO SCHOOL--Montessori & K-8: Parent/Teacher Conferences (ELC open)
- 11/9: NO SCHOOL--ELC, Montessori & K-8: Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 11/10: NO SCHOOL--ELC, Montessori & K-8: Veteran's Day Holiday
- 11/17: Fall sports assembly in the afternoon; Free dress Fall sports theme
- 11/22: K-8 & Montessori NOON DISMISSAL, ELC closes at 3:00 PM
- 11/23-24: NO SCHOOL--ELC, Montessori & K-8: Thanksgiving Holiday
- 12/1: Picture Retakes
- 12/4: 8th Grade Bullpup Preview at Prep
- 12/5: Reconciliation grades 7-8 at 9:30 AM at the Church
- 12/6: Reconciliation grades 3-6 at 9:30 AM at the Church
- 12/7: ELC Christmas Program in Garco Gym at 5:15 PM
- 12/8: Immaculate Conception Mass at 12:15 PM at the church
- 12/14: K-8 Christmas Program at 6:00 PM at the church

## Important Reminders from the Co-Principals

- Please take time to complete the Parent/Community Survey. This survey will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. The survey will be open until November 13. https://forms.gle/eDmSa3WFNpvndE6a8
- We would love to have you attend the children's Masses this coming Sunday being offered at St. Al's Church at 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM. They are child-friendly and specifically crafted for them!
- Parents, we have a great deal of Lost and Found right now! Please check when you are here for your child's conferences this week. We plan to donate unclaimed items by this Friday, November 10.
- When signing up for conferences, please make sure you are logged in your "family access" account, otherwise you will not be able to access the conference schedule.
- November 17: We will have **free dress to celebrate fall sports**. We ask that this be free dress on top with uniform bottoms. We realize that many of the fall jerseys may already be turned in, so feel free to wear a sports jersey of your favorite team.
- Christmas Program Colors:
  - Kindergarten: The main color is GREEN, which can be accompanied by black.
  - 1st Grade: The main color is RED, which can be accompanied by white.
  - 2nd Grade: The main color is WHITE, which can be accompanied by red.
  - 3rd Grade: The main color is GOLD.
  - 4th Grade: The main color is WHITE.
  - 5th Grade: The main color is GOLD, which can be accompanied by red.
  - 6th Grade: The main color is GREEN, which can be accompanied by gold.
  - 7th & 8th Grade: The main color is RED, which can be accompanied by black.

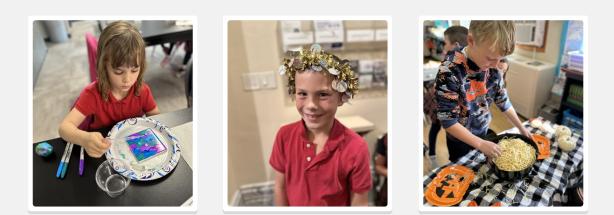
# ELC Reminders from the Co-Directors

- Please sign up for parent/teacher conferences on November 9. The sign-ups are in your child's classroom.
- We will be closed Friday, November 10, for Veterans' Day. Enjoy your long weekend.
- Please keep in mind that the ELC will be closing at 3:00 PM on November 23 in preparation for Thanksgiving.
- As the weather is changing, please bring winter clothing for your children. We will continue to go outside as long as the temperature is over 20 degrees.
- We have started practicing for our Christmas Program that will take place on December 7, at 5:15 PM. We will be sending home copies of our songs so you can help your children learn them, too.

# STAG Pride/Kudos/Prayers

- Dear Jesus, we pray for peace in our world and for all who are victims of war and violence, that you will give them strength and healing during this challenging time.
- Dear Jesus, we are so grateful for the blessing of church and community which gives us an opportunity to share our faith in You.
- Dear Jesus, we pray for all who will be traveling during the holiday season, that you will keep them safe.

## Shine Christ's Light



# Mission Advancement - Friendraising & Fundraising:

**#GIVINGTUESDAY & Annual Fund:** We will be kicking off our Annual Fund giving campaign with #GIVINGTUESDAY on November 28! Watch for details and fund incentives in the weeks to come! Thank you in advance for your generosity and support!

**Annual Auction**: Mark your calendars now for our annual auction on Saturday, April 27! With the holidays quickly approaching, we will soon be sending home our annual **Bread & Butter Kit** that contains everything you need to turn holiday shopping into auction procurement! More information

coming soon! If you have any questions, please contact the Auction Director, Aleisha Webb, at awebb@stalsschool.org.

### **SOCIAL MEDIA & WEBSITE:**

- Please share your fall sports photos with us at <u>pictures@stalsschool.org</u>. Go Stags!
- Follow us on social media: Facebook: St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic School-Spokane, Instagram: st.alsgonzaga

## St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic School **Corporate Champions Program**

#### What does it mean to be a St. Al's Corporate Champion?

A St. Al's Corporate Champion is a business that wholeheartedly believes in and supports the mission of our school as a leader in action, modeled on Christ. Our Corporate Champions are willing to be bold in their gifts of time, talent, and treasure to benefit our school community and serve God's mission at St. Al's.

As a Corporate Champion, your gift will provide the financial support necessary to achieve our program goals while your company receives year-round visibility to our greater St. Al's community. With 106 years of faithful alumni and friends who are rooted in a rich tradition of academic excellence and faith formation, we believe that our Corporate Champions program is a win-win for everyone involved!

#### ALOYSIUS - \$15.000

- Year-round recognition/advertising in school publications (website, community newsletters, annual report, etc.) and on social media
- · Monthly recognition/advertising in St. Aloysius Church weekly bulletin
- Top tier advertising signage in Garco Gym & on campus
  Prominent logo on Fund Run t-shirts
- Top tier advertising at all major events throughout the year (Fund Run, Hallowfest, Auction, etc.)
- Prominent recognition on Annual Auction invitation and event program Table for 10 at our Annual Auction including:

  - DinnerSpecial event beverages Event swag for 10 people
- One (1) complimentary Davenport Hotel suite, booked for the night of the event

#### IGNATIUS - \$10,000

- Monthly recognition in school publications (website, community newsletters, annual report, etc.) and on social media

- and on social media Quarterly recognition/advertising in St. Aloysius Church weekly bulletin 2nd tier advertising signage in Carco Cym & on campus Prominent logo on Fund Run t-shirts 2nd tier advertising at all major events throughout the year (Fund Run, Hallowfest, Auction, etc.) Recognition on Annual Auction invitation and event program Table for 10 at our Annual Auction including:
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Please contact Cami Carlson, Mission Advancement Director, to register as a Corporate Champion today! 509.489.7825 x218 or ccarlson@stalsschool.org

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

Leaf Raking: THIS IS A DOUBLE VOLUNTEER HOUR OPPORTUNITY! We need volunteers the morning of Saturday, November 18, to help with leaf raking. We are planning to work from 8:00 AM until they are all collected (NOON at the latest). We are looking for donations of donuts, but coffee will be provided. Please bring your own rakes and come ready to work! If you have a truck you are willing to

use, that would be helpful as well. If you have any questions, please contact Aleisha Webb at <u>awebb@stalsschool.org</u>.

## Christmas Program:

The annual K-8 Christmas Program is coming up on **Thursday, December 14**, at our beautiful St. Al's Church. Listed below are the dates and times we will need volunteers to help.

## \*Please note, this volunteer opportunity requires a fair bit of physical strength.

Friday, December 8: Pick up risers from GU and bring them to St. Al's Church (time TBD)

## Monday, December 11:

8:45-9:15 AM Meet at the Church to help to help set up risers
12:00-12:30 PM Meet at the Church to help to help take down the risers at the Church **Tuesday, December 12**:
8:45-9:15 AM Meet at the Church to help to set up risers
12:00-12:30 PM Meet at the Church to help to take down risers **Wednesday, December 13**:
8:45-9:15 AM Meet at the Church to help set up risers
12:00-12:30 PM Meet at the Church to help set up risers

## Thursday, December 14:

8:45-9:15 AM Meet at the Church to help set up risers 7:30-8:30 PM, after the program has concluded, to help take down the risers and straighten up the Church

## Friday, December 15:

Meet at the Church to help load up the risers and return them to GU (time TBD)

Please follow the Track it Forward link below to sign up for any of these opportunities, or you can email Aleisha Webb with any questions you may have at <a href="mailto:awebb@stalsschool.org">awebb@stalsschool.org</a>. Thank you!

## Volunteer Opportunities



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