St. Al's Monday News

St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic School | November 20, 2023

"Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!" Psalm 107:1



Message From the Co-Principals

Dear Families,

As the end of 2023 approaches, we are grateful to our loyal supporters who give of their time, talent and treasure. This past weekend, families helped rake the leaves and prepare our campus for the winter season. Several of you have volunteered this fall in different capacities which has greatly benefited our students and staff by enriching the education and faith formation opportunities we offer.

We are beyond appreciative for the countless hours you have spent working with your children on their homework or attending their school activities. THANK YOU, St. Al's community, for shining Christ's light so brightly!

We hope this Thanksgiving break gives you a chance to rest and relax with loved ones and refresh your minds and souls. The busyness of the fall season can take its toll, and it is nice to have a brief respite before the excitement of the Advent season begins.

Blessings,

Angie Krauss and Dawn Manfred Co-Principals

Mark Your Calendars

- 11/22: K-8 & Montessori NOON DISMISSAL, No After care; ELC closes at 3:00 PM
- 11/23-24: NO SCHOOL--ELC, Montessori & K-8: Thanksgiving Holiday
- 11/27: Students can wear Christmas socks with their uniforms
- 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
- 12/9: 7:30 PM-St. Al's Choir performs with GU Concert Choir in *A Light Through the Darkness*, a Candlelight Christmas concert, at Myrtle Woldson Performing Arts

Center-Tickets must be purchased through GU (link below)

• 12/10: 2:00 PM-St. Al's Choir performs with GU Concert Choir in *A Light Through the Darkness,* a Candlelight Christmas concert, at Myrtle Woldson Performing Arts Center-Tickets must be purchased through GU (link below)

- 12/13: K-8 Christmas Program REHEARSAL at 1:00 PM at the Church
- 12/14: K-8 Christmas Program at 6:00 PM at the church

Important Reminders from the Co-Principals

- Please remember that this Wednesday, Nov. 22:
 - K-8 & Montessori have a NOON DISMISSAL
 - NO After-Care on this day
 - ELC closes at 3:00 PM
- Please check out the parish bulletin for opportunities to participate in service activities for social justice throughout the Advent season.
- Our St. Al's winter online store is NOW OPEN! The store will close on Sunday, November 26, at 11:59 PM. All items will be delivered to school right before Christmas break. Follow the link below in the Mission Advancement section to order now!
- Please be mindful to not park your car in the fire lane at any time during the day. This is a safety regulation enforced by the fire department and we appreciate your cooperation by adhering to it.
- Our St. Al's choir has been invited to perform with the GU Concert Choir in A Light Through the

must be purchased through GU for the two performances. Dates and times are in the calendar below. Follow the link below to purchase tickets.

- We would be grateful if you could set aside a few minutes to fill out the survey below. As we enter into our accreditation cycle, your feedback is very important to us as we begin to examine data that helps set our strategic direction and determine our growth goals.
- Check out this fantastic information on Screenagers this week! Adolescent Psychologist, Laura Kastner, discusses how to help our youth manage their media intake.
 - Dr. Larry Rosen explores how we as parents can have our youth teach us about social media.
 - Author and Psychologist, Lynn Lyons, examines in depth how parents can help their teens tackle anxiety.

Purchase GU Choir Tickets

Parent/Community Survey

Screenagers Link

ELC Reminders from the Co-Directors

- Please do not park in the fire lane at drop-off or pick-up.
- Remember that we will be closing at 3:00 PM on Wednesday, November 22, so everyone can start their Thanksgiving holiday.
- 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.
- Our Christmas Program will take place on December 7, at 5:15 PM, in the Garco gym.

STAG Pride/Kudos/Prayers

- Dear Jesus, we are beyond grateful this Thanksgiving season for faith, family, friends and those relationships which enrich our lives.
- Dear Jesus, please protect all those traveling and keep them safe as they go to visit loved ones.
- Dear Jesus, may we be disciplined and spend time growing our personal relationship with you so that we can serve and minister to those in need.

Shine Christ's Light







Mission Advancement - Friendraising & Fundraising

- Online Store: It's that time again! Our St. Al's winter online store is NOW OPEN, and we have lots of new swag just in time for the holidays! The store will close on Sunday, November 26, at 11:59 PM. All items will be delivered to school right before Christmas break. Follow the link below to order now!
- **#GIVINGTUESDAY & Annual Fund:** We will be kicking off our Annual Fund giving campaign with #GIVINGTUESDAY next week on Tuesday, November 28! Watch for details and fun 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 are sending home your annual Bread & Butter Kit that
 contains everything you need to turn holiday shopping into auction procurement! Watch for the
 packet in your child's red folder or backpack. If you have any questions, please contact the
 Auction Director, Aleisha Webb, at <u>awebb@stalsschool.org</u>.

SOCIAL MEDIA & WEBSITE:

• Follow us on social media: Facebook: St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic School-Spokane, Instagram: st.alsgonzaga

Shop the School Store HERE



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, annua
	report, etc.) and on social media
	Monthly recognition/advertising in St. Aloysius Church weekly bulletin Top tier advertising signage in Garco Gym & on campus
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	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:
•	Dinner
	Special event beverages
	 Event swag for 10 people One (1) 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
	Quarterly recognition/advertising in St. Aloysius Church weekly bulletin
	2nd tier advertising signage in Garco Gym & 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:
	Dinner
	Special event beverages
	 Event swag for 10 people
	FRANCIS - \$5,000
	 Quarterly recognition in school publications (website, community newsletters, annual report, etc.) and on social media
	Semi-annual recognition/advertising in St. Aloysius Church weekly bulletin
	 Prominent logo on Fund Run t-shirts 3rd tier advertising at all major events throughout the year (Fund Run, Hallowfest, Auction, etc.)
	Recognition on Annual Auction invitation and event program

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: Thank you SO much to all of you that participated in Leaf Raking this weekend! This is a huge help to our Facilities Team and helps get our school campus ready for the winter.

Recording Volunteer Hours: When recording your volunteer hours for leaf raking, please only record the time you volunteered. When your volunteer hours are approved in Track it Forward, they will reflect as double.

Christmas Program:

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

Riser Pick-up & Set-up: This volunteer opportunity requires a fair bit of physical strength.

Friday, December 8:

9:00 AM Pick up risers from GU and help move them to St. Al's Church
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
7:30-8:30 PM, after the program has concluded, to help take down the risers and straighten up the Church
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:

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

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 awebb@stalsschool.org. Thank you!

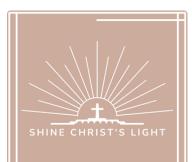
Volunteer Opportunities

Community Contributions

Minted:

As we come into the Christmas season, please keep in mind that we partner with Minted! Minted is a company that provides beautiful holiday cards and custom gifts and also offers a donation program! Our Minted promo code is good all year and can be applied to gifts including graduation & birth announcements, party & event invitations, personalized stationery, custom gifts, and more! When shopping on <u>Minted.com</u>, please use our promo code FUNDRAISESAGONZAGA to save 20% off your order. Minted will donate 15% of the net proceeds back to our school! Last year, our school earned \$184.94 from this program!

Website: <u>www.minted.com</u> Promo Code: FUNDRAISESAGONZAGA



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