



# Saint Brendan Parish School News

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## Important Dates

Feb. 18	Technology Meeting 7:00 PM- <b>cancelled</b>
Feb. 19	School Commission Meeting 7:00 PM
Feb. 25	Parent Survey for accreditation due
Feb. 25	Ash Wednesday– School Mass 9:00 AM
March 4	Development Meeting 7:00 PM
March 4, 5, 6	New Family Registration 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
March 6	<b>Noon dismissal</b> ; non-uniform
March 7	School Auction

**February Virtue of the Month:** The second theological virtue is **hope** which inspires us in this life by helping us overcome discouragement.

### February Saint of the Month


**St. Philomena:** As a young woman Philomena married a man who was not kind to her. This saddened Philomena but she understood this to be God's will. Philomena died for her faith at the age of 14. After her death, many miracles began to happen. Pope Gregory XVI began the canonization process and she was beautified in 1837.



## Altar Servers

We would like to acknowledge the following students who are serving Mass on 2/21 and 2/22:

## PTO Volunteer Corner

 Please call Sally Sonnen at 425-881-5337 or e-mail her at [sallysonnen@hotmail.com](mailto:sallysonnen@hotmail.com) if you are looking for some **volunteer hours**. A project, at the school has come up that will take some time. Great project for a few volunteers to share!!

**Auction Help Needed:** If you would like volunteer hours check the flyer in the Wednesday envelope or go to the schools website and click "Auction". You will find a list of opportunities. Decide what interests you the most and contact the chair directly.

## Principal News

**Prayers for Fr. Jim:** Thank you for keeping Fr. Jim and his family in your prayers. He continues to make progress and is expected to return the first weekend in March.

**Parent Survey:** Thank you to the 30+ parents who have completed the accreditation survey. We will extend the survey to close on **Wednesday, February 25th** so all parents have more time to complete the survey. We appreciate your time and the information you give back to us.

**PTO Lunch:** Thank you to our PTO and parents for providing the staff with a wonderful lunch yesterday. We are fortunate our parents take such good care of us!

**Lent– Operation Rice Bowl:** Beginning the first week in March, all school families and each classroom will receive a Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl. Families and students are asked to participate in this Lenten program. Each teacher will share specific lessons about Catholic Relief Services and how the donations help those in need. Our 7th grade students will facilitate this program and visit each class with specific lessons, information, and encouragement.

**School-wide Food Drive:** Thank you for your food donations for our St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank.

**Snow Make-Up Day:** Full day of school on Fri., March 13th

<b>Picture Days:</b>	March 12	Class pictures
	May 13	8th grade graduation pictures
	May 29th	2nd grade First Communion pictures
		Mrs. Lunn

## Enrollment Information for 2009-2010

**Our 2009-2010 Registration Contract and tuition information is posted to our web site.**


March 4-6 New family registration 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

## ACCREDITATION PARENT SURVEY


As part of our accreditation self-study process, we are asking parents for their input. The link to the survey is included with this bulletin's email message. **Thank you** for taking time to share with us why you send your child to our school. The survey link will remain active until **Wednesday, February 25th**. Survey results will be shared in future school bulletins and in the self-study report. Thank you!

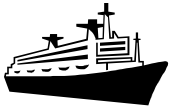


## 2009-2010 SCHOOL CALENDAR

 The school staff, in accordance with the guidelines from the Archdiocese, has set a calendar for next school year. We will begin school on **Monday, August 31st**. The first day of school is a noon dismissal. Next year, we will take a Mid-Winter break the week of February 15th. The complete calendar is posted to our web site.

## PRAYING PARENTS

 Please join St. Brendan parents every **Wednesday** morning right after drop off (about 8:25). When there is 8:30 Mass we will meet immediately after Mass. We will gather downstairs by the statue of Mary to pray (across from the computer lab). We will take about 10 to 15 minutes each week to pray for our school, teachers, staff, parents, and students. If you are unable to join us there is a journal in the kneeler where you can add your prayer requests.



**Auction in Action  
COME SAIL WITH US  
Saturday, March 7, 2009  
Marriott Redmond Town Center**

**Thank you for turning in your Auction Reservations by this Friday, February 20th.** The catalog is at the printer as you read this! We so appreciate everyone's offers of help.

**Thank you** for taking initiative, reaching out, and inviting other school parents, family, neighbors, and co-workers. We are looking for a sell-out crowd! Everyone has their own specific reasons for attending the auction but the bottom line is our auction **is a fun-filled night that benefits all of our students!** Your number of reasons correlates to the number of children you have. They include those who are currently attending, those who graduated and those who will be attending in the future.

**If you need volunteer hours** please see the flyer in your Wednesday envelope. You will find a list of auction chairs with their email addresses. Please contact them directly according to your interests. Blessings, Cathy and Kate

**Need a babysitter?** There is a current list in the school office of all 7th & 8th graders who are available to babysit.

**Scrip News**



Have you checked out **Scrip online** yet? It has some fun features. You can reload cards you buy online, such as **Lowe's** and **Starbucks**. You can browse by category and check out special offers, for example **Buca di Beppo** is currently offering a 13% discount through 3/6/2009 (regular discount is 8%). You can even plan for your next vacation with Scrip for hotels, cruises, airlines and more. If you are planning an Easter Break getaway, think Scrip! To get started online, go to [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com), select "Not a Member? Click Here" and follow the instructions. The **enrollment code** for St. Brendan is **39L5L71E6831**.

**Scrip at Mass:** Scrip will be sold after Mass this weekend and again on March 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Thank you for your continued support and the monthly standing orders!**

**MEMORY BOOK PICTURE REQUEST**



Please send any group pictures taken during CYO sports or class field trips to Anna . Thank you for your help!

**New Parent Resources from the School's Religion Committee**

We have just received several CDs from Lighthouse Catholic Media and are making them available to school families. The titles to choose from are: *Church Beliefs, A Guide to Raising (almost) Perfect Kids, Amazing Angels and Super Saints, The Spirit of Sacrifice in the Family, and Overcoming the New Age Movement.* Our hope is our parents will take a few minutes to listen to them and pass them along to anyone they feel could benefit from them. Parents may also return the CD to the school for other families to use. Waiting in carpool is a great time to listen. The CDs are available on the table outside the school office. The parish has a kiosk with other titles from Lighthouse Catholic Media. This is an easy way for parents to learn more about our Catholic faith and give them tools to pass the faith on to our children. **Blessings to our families, Laurie McCloskey, Religion Committee Chair**

**CANNED FOOD DRIVE**



The 6th graders designated February as the month for each student to bring one or more canned food items for our St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive. Items needed are: **soups** (chicken noodle, tomato, chowder, stews, etc.), **fruit** (pears, peaches, mandarin oranges, applesauce, cranberry sauce, etc.), **chili or beans, meat/fish products** (tuna, chicken, turkey, Spam, etc.), and **vegetables** (corn, green beans, peas, etc.). **Thank you** for helping those in need!

**BOX TOPS COLLECTION DUE THIS FRIDAY, FEB. 20TH!**



**Turn in your Box Tops by this Friday!!!** That Ice Cream Feast could be yours - so look around your pantry and clip off all the Box Tops you can find. Return them to your classroom containers prior to **Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup>** to count towards your classroom totals. (We will still collect Box Tops until the end of the season but those brought in after February 20<sup>th</sup> will go towards next year's count.) **Thank you!**

**Albertson's**

Community Partners Shopper Cards need to be updated by **February 28th** at [www.albertsonscp.com](http://www.albertsonscp.com) in order for your donations to be credited to our school. The school is blessed each time it receives a rebate check from Alberston's. **Thank you** for continuing to support your school!



**Inkjet Cartridge/Cell Phone Recycle Program**

Please bring your empty inkjet cartridges and cell phones to the school or place in the collection box on the kiosk at the church. Thank you!