

Lion's Roar: September 13, 2021

Parents,

The saying goes, "God won't give you more than you can handle." This overwhelming month has pushed us with Covid, Afghanistan, Hurricane Ida, 20th Anniversary of 9/11, and death of our parochial vicar. While we are hurting, let's remember that our children are listening, watching, and internalizing how the adults in their lives are reacting to the world around us.

Remember when we were kids and the news only came on at 5:00pm, 6:00pm and 10:00pm? We were able to compartmentalize it and put it in proper perspective. We were somewhat sheltered from the negativity/tragedy. Today, we are inundated with 24 hour "mostly bad news" (real or fake), and so are our children. This constant stream of information can wear heavy on us all. Worry, anxiety, loss of sleep, and lack of focus are all by-products of this constant exposure. We are in no way minimizing the need to be informed, but the repeated images and stories are overwhelming for us all, especially young children. Let's help our children and ourselves by "unplugging" a bit more this week. Turning off the TV and playing a board game, taking an evening walk/bike ride, reading a book as a family, spending more time at the dinner table, and/or saying a rosary together will help your children feel more safe and secure with your time and attention.

Our SAS students are blessed to have three school counselors on staff: Mrs. Snaith (PreK-1st); Mrs. Sloan (2nd-5th); Mrs. Voitier (6th-8th). They send monthly newsletters home addressing varying topics to help your children focus on the positive. The counselors also visit classrooms for guidance lessons and conduct individual and group counseling. Our school counselors are an invaluable resource for you and your children, so reach out if you feel the need.

-Erin Candilora

"The Lord upholds my life." Amen

Important Dates-

Wednesday, September 15 Friday, September 17 Thursday, September 30 Thursday, October 7 Friday, October 8 Monday, October 11 All School Mass (remember the Food Bank)
LSU/ Southern Shirt Day (w/ uniform bottoms)
Picture Retakes
End 1st nine weeks
Fall Break, No School
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<u>ALL SCHOOL MASS WEDNESDAY</u> – Please have your child bring non-perishable food to put in the collection boxes for the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank.

SPIRIT SHIRT UPDATE: Due to supply chain issues and Hurricane Ida, spirit shirt production has been delayed. Therefore, September 17 will now be an LSU/Southern shirt day and October 1 will be our first spirit shirt day. Spirit shirts will be delivered to students on September 27. We greatly appreciate the efforts of the Home and School Committee on this project!

<u>PICTURE RETAKES</u>: If your child was absent on picture day or would like to take retakes, Barberito Photography will return on Thursday, September 30 for individual picture retakes.

ST. ALOYSIUS PARISH FAIR: The Fair website will go live September 13th at 8:30 a.m. Please visit www.staloysiusfair.org today! Tents will go on sale at this time; please visit the website for details. Please also 'like' the Fair Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/staloysiusbrfundraising/ to stay up to date with exciting Fair news.

LIONS IN ACTION:

Swim Team

Saturday 9/18 12:30 pm @ Crawfish Aquatics

Football

Sunday 9/19 4th grade 12:00 pm @ Holy Family Sunday 9/19 3rd grade 12:00 pm @St. George

Cross Country

Saturday 9/18 Girls 9:15 am Boys 9:40 am @ Brusly High

THANK YOU!

Thanks to the LaNasa Family for the delicious Crumbl Cookies for our faculty and staff!

Thanks to the parents that "tackled" the football field concession stand by deep cleaning it last Thursday: Becky Maher, Lesley Beckers, Kate Becnel, Maureen Dippel, Christina Leach, Katherine May, Tami Moran, Katie Richardson, Kate Sandahl, and Gwen Thomas!

The mission of St. Aloysius School is to educate the whole child in the Catholic tradition for a life of meaning and purpose.





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NOVEMBER 18-21, 2021

Applications can be found online at aloysius.org/acts-retreats or a paper copy can be picked up in the Pastoral Services Center.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5 AT 4PM

LEADERSHIP TEAM:

ALLISON PHAM, DIRECTOR
ANN MICHAEL LAGARDE, CO-DIRECTOR
ASHLEY ROUSSEL, CO-DIRECTOR
TANYA BARES, SPIRITUAL COMPANION