

Lion's Roar: February 21, 2022

Parents,

School is closed next week for the Mardi Gras Holidays. We wish you a safe, blessed week with your families. With the Lenten Season beginning a week from Wednesday, we encourage families to take advantage of church services. The following is from the church bulletin including a schedule of mass times, private confession times, and stations of the cross times.

Return Palms to burn for Ash Wednesday. We will be burning blessed palms from last year's Palm Sunday on Friday, February 25. The ashes from the burning will be used to remind us of our mortality and our need for repentance on Ash Wednesday. Baskets to collect last year's blessed palms will be available outside church doors on the North and South side of the Church.

Ash Wednesday is March 2, 2022. Please join us for Mass on Ash Wednesday as we begin our Lenten observance. Masses will be celebrated at 6:00 AM, 8:00 AM, 12:00 noon, and 6:00 PM. Mass will be livestreamed at 12:00 Noon.

Stations of the Cross Each Friday of Lent: 7:15 AM (before the 8:00 mass) and at 5:30 PM.

Daily Masses during Lent: All Masses held in the Church: Monday at 6:00 AM; Tuesday at 8:00 AM; Wednesday at 6:00 AM; Thursday at 8:00 AM; Friday at 8:00 AM.

Private Confessions Mondays, 6:30 AM after Mass; Tuesdays, 7:30 AM before Mass; Wednesdays, 6:30 AM after Mass; Thursdays, 7:30 AM before Mass; Saturdays, 3:30 PM before the Vigil Mass.

"Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!" Amen

Important Dates

Wednesday, February 23 3rd grade class mass Wednesday, February 23 7th grade mini-retreat Friday, February 25 **PreK Parade** Friday, February 25 Mardi Gras Accessories may be worn Friday, February 25 Pep Rally February 28-March 4 Mardi Gras Holidays- No school Monday, March 7 Pk-2 Conference Sign Up Opens 8:00pm Wednesday, March 9 Pk-2 Conference Sign Up Closes 8:00pm March 9-10 Youth Legislature (8th Grade)

Friday, March 11 End 3rd nine weeks

Friday, March 11 PreK-2 Conference Day- No school for PreK-2

Friday, April 1 8th grade yearbook ads due

<u>PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES (Grades PK-2)</u>: Conferences for students in grades PK-2 will be held on **Friday, March 11**. Students in grades PK-2 will not have school on this day. The online sign-up for conference times will open on **Monday, March 7**, **at 8:00 p.m. and will close on Wednesday, March 9**, **at 8:00 p.m**. The sign up can be found <u>HERE</u>. (It is also linked on our website under Parents/ Important Links.)

<u>GULF COAST TUITION LOANS</u>: Parents, if your Gulf Coast tuition loan for the 2021-2022 school year is not current, registration for the 2022-2023 school year is considered "pending" and "incomplete" until the loan is brought current or paid off. Spots are not guaranteed to be held for your child (or children) unless your loan is current and not considered past due.

<u>TUITION</u>: Tuition is due by <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>May 3</u>, <u>2022</u> via e-check through Gulf Coast Bank Tuition https://www.tuition.gulfbank.com/. Loans must be applied for by that date as well. Current year tuition loans must be closed out in order to apply for a Gulf Coast tuition loan for 2022-23. Any payments or loan applications made after May 3th, will incur a \$50.00 (PER CHILD) late fee. Tuition information can be found under Important Links on the school website (Tuition and Fee Information).

SAS CHEER: There is a mandatory parent (at least one parent) Cheer Meeting on Sunday, March 13 at 6:30p.m. in the Old Gym for any girl wanting to try out for the 2022-2023 7th & 8th Grade SAS Cheer Team. The material will be learned from 3:00-4:00 after school on March 22-24. Tryouts are on March 25 after school. Ending time will be determined by the number of girls participating. Girls that make the SAS Cheer Team are required to attend UCA Camp July 18-21 at SLU. If you have any questions, please contact Coach Haley McCaslin at haleymccaslin9601@gmail.com

FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS- St. Aloysius Parish will offer Stations of the Cross at 7:15 am on Friday mornings, beginning March 4. Families are welcome to attend. The parish would appreciate help from students in 5th-8th grade who would carry the candles and the cross for the services. Students may sign up with Ms. Boudreaux if they would like to help.

TECH TIPS: Parents' Ultimate Guide to TikTok: Answers to these questions and more:

What is TikTok?

How safe is TikTok?

How does TikTok work?

Is TikTok appropriate for kids?

What age is TikTok recommended for?

Can kids under 13 use TikTok?

How can you make your TikTok account private?

How do I delete a TikTok video?

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How can I use TikTok with my kids?
How do you do a duet on TikTok?
What are TikTok Challenges?
Does TikTok have parental controls?
How can I monitor my kid's activity on TikTok?
What if my kid wants to get famous on TikTok?
Should I be concerned about TikTok's security?

https://www.commonsensemedia.org/blog/parents-ultimate-guide-to-tiktok

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