



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER May 10, 2019

Dear Families –

Thursday we had our annual Recognition Mass honoring our 8th grade students and Routt Catholic Seniors. This event begins our numerous activities for our 8th grade students as they are nearing the end of their Our Saviour School careers. We wish them many blessings!

This week was Teacher Appreciation Week. Thank you to all our wonderful teachers who devote much time and effort to our school to make it a wonderful place for our students! Thank you to Elizabeth Lynch (coordinator) and all parents that contributed to the many tasty treats and clever decorations for our teachers!

Thank you to those that have brought in donations of copy paper to get us through the year. If anyone is still willing, we would appreciate more. These donations can go towards service hours for 2019-20. Thank you!

Our Saviour School is seeking part-time workers (minimum wage) in the cafeteria and in our Pre-school after school program. The cafeteria hours would be 10:45 – 11:45 a.m. with possible days of Monday – Friday. The after-school staff would be from 2:45 – 5:30 p.m. Monday – Friday. The hope is to have several individuals in these positions, so we have a pool of workers that can work. Please contact me if you are interested in one or both of these positions.

Our Saviour School is also looking for a part-time evening or night janitor to provide 2 – 3 hours of cleaning after school hours. Hours are flexible. Please contact me if you are interested.

Once again, congratulations to our First Communicants on receiving this special sacrament last weekend!

Volleyball Camp Reminder: Registration forms for the 2019 ShamRocket Volleyball Camp are due by Friday, May 17th. Forms were sent home the week of April 29th. If you need a form, they are available on the Our Saviour School website. The camp is for all interested girls, grades 4-12, as of the 2019-20 school year.

Please see the attached information regarding additional volleyball camps offered by Mrs. Candy West this summer.

Anyone interested in serving on the Our Saviour School Advisory Board, please contact me to obtain an application. Applications are due May 20th. The current board will discuss applicants/openings at their May meeting. Also, please contact Father Tom in the next week or two if you are interested in serving on the Parish/School Finance Council. Thank you!

Is your child entering 6th, 7th, or 8th grade next year and wants to know more about cheerleading? Join us for a cheerleading clinic to learn more about what it is to be an OSS cheerleader. The clinic is free to attend and will take place on: Monday May 20, Wednesday May 22, and Thursday May 23 from 4-5:30 in the Our Saviour School gym. A brief parent meeting will take place on Thursday May 23 in the OSS gym starting at 5:30pm.

As mentioned previously, we will be in school on May 28th and 29th. On May 28th, we will have our annual scavenger hunt in the morning and then have activity day in the afternoon. More details will follow, along with permission slips. On May 29th, we will begin the day with our final Mass. Then students will go to their next year grade level rooms to meet teachers and hear more about the next year. They will do that with their current class – no class assignments have been made. We will start our K – 7 grade awards at 10:15 a.m. in the gym with dismissal at 11:30 a.m. May 28th will be a non-uniform day – please consult the handbook for appropriate non-uniform attire. Thank you!

For the 2019-20 school year, if your student has special academic circumstances/needs, please let the principal know of these in writing. Do not speak with the current or next year's teachers as changes are made to class lists throughout the summer. **Please do not include any teacher requests/recommendations though in your information sharing.** Class assignments take a lot of thought and time and the principal and teachers work diligently to try to make the best learning environment for all our students. Thank you for your understanding.

The Family Fun Festival is looking for co-chairs to help run the event this year. Missy Naeve and Stacy Beeley will continue to be part of the committee, but have retired as co-chairs. Together they have chaired for the last 6 years and are ready to concentrate their efforts on individual festival committees. If you are interested in helping to make the festival a success for our schools, please let us know. If we fail to have people step forward, the festival may have to be reduced to a one-day festival centered around the drawing. No one wants to see this happen, and the hope is that someone will say yes. Many will help and do their parts, we just need a chairperson. Rount Catholic and Our Saviour School share equally in the proceeds from the Family Fun Festival with the funds going towards tuition assistance. Our schools are worth it! Please consider being the one to say Yes!

Year-end Items: We need to have dental forms for kindergarten, 2nd and 6th grade students. Also, hot lunch balances and after-school care balances need to be paid in full. We run a tight budget and we count on everyone taking care of their commitments. Thank you!

Is your business interested in being an Our Saviour MAGIC MATCH for the 2019-20 school year? Magic Match pairs a business or interested family with an Our Saviour grade level or classroom. This sponsor helps fund the assigned grade level or classroom with the funds necessary for those "extras" that our teachers or students may need to enhance our curriculum efforts. To learn more or receive information, please email Mrs. Jones: pjones@oss-shamrocks.com Thank you!

On Tuesday, **May 14th** the 4th graders will perform with their recorders, as well as 5th – 8th grade band. Also, Mixed Choir will perform that evening as well. **Please note – Children's Choir**

will not be performing that night. On May 14th, we will have a dress rehearsal at 2:00 p.m. and the performance will be at 6:30 p.m. Once again, parents/grandparents may come to the 2:00 performance if that is more convenient. We will have interpreters for the evening performance. All of these performances will be in the school gym. The students and teachers have been working hard on these performances, so please plan to stay for the program in its entirety, rather than leaving after your child is done performing. Thank you.

Our Saviour Parish is sponsoring a summer men's slow-pitch softball team through the YMCA. Games are held on Thursday nights at the Jacksonville YMCA ball fields beginning May 16. Need not be present every week to participate. Text or call Evan Wilson at 217.416.4037 for information.

Our Saviour School is seeking a loving individual to volunteer to assist the Our Saviour School Pre-Schoolers during their lunchtime next school year--starting August 20th--daily from 10:45-11:15. If you are interested in helping our littlest Shamrocks, please contact Polly Jones at pjones@oss-shamrocks.com or 243-8621. You would need to take Protecting God's Children in order to volunteer. Thank you for considering this special volunteer opportunity!

With Blessings,

Mrs. Stevie VanDeVelde

Dates to Remember:

May 14 – Band/Mixed Choir/Recorders Spring Concert – 6:30 pm – Gym. (Dress rehearsal at 2:00 pm)

May 15 – Sports Banquet – Track, Bowling, Scholastic Bowl – 6:30 pm – KC Hall – Dessert only

May 17 – Last day of Pre-K

May 21 – 8th grade Awards – 8:30 am and 8th grade lunch

May 21 – 8th grade graduation – 6:30 pm – Our Saviour Church – Children's Choir performs

May 23 – Advisory Board – 7:00 pm

May 28 – Scavenger Hunt/Activity Day - Non-uniform Day

May 29 – Mass – 8:20, K – 7 Awards – 10:15 am

June 5 – Parent Club “Pack-the-Place” fundraiser at Leo's Pizza