

**FRI 9/7/18**

- Sept hot lunch orders are **DUE** with payment (manual form found on website)
- Oct hot lunch orders are **DUE** on Option C and payment sent to school
- First Day Packets are **DUE**
- Rosary in the church at 9:15 AM—please join us!

TUES 9/11/18

- First all school Mass @ 8:00 AM in the church—please join us!
- Meet the Teacher Night @ 6:30 PM—begins in the gym
- Marco's Pizza order/payments **DUE**

WED 9/12/18

- Faculty Meeting @ 2:30 PM
- Mandatory Confirmation meeting @ 7:00 PM in St. Peter's cafeteria—all 7/8th grade parents in the pastoral region

FRI 9/14/18

- Marco's Friday lunch (if pre-ordered)

Looking Ahead:**MON 9/17/18**

- 8th Grade Day at Badin (do not buy hot lunch) - permission slips due on 9/12/18

MON 9/17/18

- Hot lunches begin (if you pre-ordered and paid by Sept. 7)

TUES 9/18/18

- HW Club begins (grades 3-8 can attend, 2:15-3 PM. Permission slips are on website under parent page. Slips are due 1 day prior to date attending)

MON 9/24/18

- EPIC Meeting at Municipal Brew Works (Time TBD)

THURS 9/27/18

- Picture Day!

SUN 9/30/18

- Mandatory First Reconciliation Parent Mtg @ Fenmont 10:30-11:30 for St. Julie and St. Petes

FRI 10/5/18

- 7th & 8th Grade CYO Social at Badin PFAC 8-10 PM (details and permission slips to come)

The Link

"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire."
— St. Catherine of Siena

Mission Statement

The purpose of Catholic education at St. Peter in Chains School is to instill the values of the Catholic faith in students so that they not only hear, but also embody and practice the mission of Jesus Christ and spread His message as it applies to life in the twenty first century.

Virtue of the Month: Charity

Dear SPS Families,

We welcome students and staff as we begin another great year of learning at St. Peter in Chains! Not only are we happy to see current students returning, but we welcome our new students into the St. Peter family as well. Our teachers have worked hard over the summer creating vibrant, innovative learning spaces. You'll find a mural in Mrs. Wirtz's classroom which she painted herself, flexible seating in several teachers' classrooms, and high tables for technology built by one of our parents, Mr. Tim Carpenter, and his Hamilton High School students for Ms. Larson's classroom.

We welcome our newest teachers, Mrs. Nickels (Art) and Mrs. Fanning (Grade 2). In addition to Music classes, Mrs. Blasch has taken responsibility for our accelerated PreAlgebra and Algebra I classes! As I have already shared in detail with 7th and 8th grade parents, Mrs. Blasch earned a BA in Mathematics with a minor in Computer Science at Georgetown College. She graduated Salmon P. Chase College of Law and became a licensed attorney in 1987. In 1988, she worked as Adjunct Professor, teaching case analysis to paralegal students at Kentucky Career Institute (now Beckfield College), in Florence, KY. Mrs. Blasch spent ten years in private practice, and is still a licensed attorney. She also worked as a long-term sub, teaching Math in a Catholic school near her home, and she has also tutored

middle and high school Math. She also assigned students to work in small groups to ensure and reinforce understanding of Math concepts, with several of her students going on to achieve high ACT math scores. Mrs. Blasch has been working in the field of education, with all experience combined, a total of 16 years, and we welcome her in her new role!

In our Virtues in Practice program, we are in Year III, the Year of Charity (Love), and the virtue for the month of September is CHARITY. Teachers will be focusing on this virtue with students and being attentive for demonstration of this virtue. Please see our website, Parent Page, Virtue Campaign Parent Guide for more information about the virtue program.

On Tuesday, September 11th, we will celebrate our first school Mass of the year. Please feel free to join us for Mass at 8:00am and for Meet the Teacher Night that evening at 6:30pm. Thank you for your commitment to your child's Catholic education and for allowing St. Peter in Chains School the opportunity to be a partner in your child's academic and spiritual development.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Michael Collins
Principal



We would like to send out a warm welcome to all of our new students that have joined our school this year.....

Lincoln Arguelles, Dax Brennan, Ian Duff, Iris Farrell, Apollo Gaither, Aycen Lehman, Clayton Marcum, Callaghan McKnight, Clara Meinhardt, Ellie Nichting, Julie St. John, Lucy Wood, Davis Wooten, Adeline Zehler, Livian Hersha, Finn Rollins, Joey Hilton, Evan Calihan, Shelby Rollins, Brayden Benge, Dylan Heath, Bradey Sexton, Anthony Jackman, Liz Biederman, and Braedyn Moore



Welcome!
We are glad you are here!

SAVE THE DATE

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 PARISH BREAKFAST
 FREE
 SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
 8:30 AM – 11:15 AM
 Please RSVP to the parish office, 863-3938
 or strickerL@stpeterinchains.org



Our Hamilton Pastoral Region is launching a region-wide Youth Ministry for Jr. High (grades 6-8) and High School (grades 9-12) at the end of October. This has all been possible because of a generous grant from Life Teen that is providing our training and ministry resources. We have been working hard since March to make this possible for our Region. Our plan is to be able to have separate groups for these grades and provide a wide variety of experiences in the faith - fun, prayer, retreats, and so much more!

We are hosting a Family Game Night for all ages on Sunday, September 16th from 6-9pm at the Fenmont Center (behind St. Julie's). Bring your whole family and join us for a fun evening! Drinks are provided. Please bring a snack to share and your favorite game.

If you're interested in receiving more information about Youth Ministry, please go to www.hamiltoncatholic.org/youth-ministry and click on "Sign Up for Youth Ministry!"

To be able to meet our goal of launching in October, we are in need of 10-15 adults and high school students who are willing to be a part of the CORE Team, who will assist at one or both of our monthly meetings (for the age group of your choice), which will take place on the 1st and 3rd Sunday evenings of the month. We need a firm commitment, as these adults are the mentors and leaders of our ministry.

We are also looking for many other volunteers to help with a variety of needs, including parish relations, food, driving teens to events, and teen Masses in the future. Our kick-off is in October and we will need a lot of volunteers, so even if you can only help one time or even one hour a month - we need you!

We have an Informational Meeting for volunteers this Sunday, September 9th from 6-7pm at St. Joseph's parish in the school library. Please join us and hear more about how you can help!

If you would like to volunteer and can/can't make the meeting, please go to www.hamiltoncatholic.org/youth-ministry and click on "Sign Up to Volunteer".

Our new Youth Ministry is a vibrant and vital piece of who we are as the people of the Hamilton Catholic Pastoral Region. We hope that you will join us in helping lead our teens to Christ.

Blessings,

Randi Hom - High School Youth Minister, randihom@gmail.com
 Liz Larson - Jr. High Youth Minister, larsonl@spsch.org

PRAISE THE LORD! SING TO THE LORD A NEW SONG, AND HIS PRAISE IN THE CONGREGATION OF THE GODLY ONES. (PSALM 149:1)

The Choir will begin singing for Sunday Masses on Sunday, September 9th at 11:00am. Choir Rehearsal will resume on Thursday, September 6th at 7pm in the choir loft.

Both adults and youth, Grade 5 or above, are welcomed to join--a great way for families to serve together!

Youth are not required to attend the Thursday evening rehearsal, but should arrive at 10:15 on Sunday mornings for rehearsal.

We will also form a Children's Choir, Grade 2 and up, for Christmas again this year.

Watch the bulletin and The Link newsletter for details later in the year.



Items that went home in the white communication folders today:

- Yearbooks from the 2017-18 school year (if you ordered one)
- Meet the Teacher Night Flyer
- Basketball sign up forms (Grades 2-8)
- 8th Grade permission slips for Badin Day on Sept. 17th
- Miami University Volleyball schedule (sent home with girls in grades 4-8)
- Marcos' Pizza Lunch order form—orders and payment are DUE on Tues. Sept. 11th with payment (sent home with the youngest or only in the school)

• **Parents—your child should give you their white folder very Thursday afternoon. It will contain important paperwork from the office and teachers. Please sign and date the front of the white folder and have your child return it to their homeroom teacher the following day.**

The 2018 Badin High School Cheer Clinic is coming soon!

Ages: 6-18 Regardless of school affiliation

When: Sunday September 9th

Time: 1-4:00

*****Registration will begin promptly at 12:30*****

Where: Badin High School Main Gym

Cost: \$35

Dear Cheerleaders, Are you interested in working with the current **Badin High School Cheerleaders** to learn new material and to improve your skills? Then get excited, because the **Badin Cheer Clinic** is right around the corner! Below are highlights of this year's clinic!

You will learn new cheers, chants, and the **Badin Fight Song!**

This clinic was designed to also improve your flexibility, jumps, motions, and voice.

You will receive a **Badin Cheerleading** t-shirt(t-shirt will be handed out at later date)

Snack and drinks will be provided

Several games and other fun activities will also take place at this year's clinic!

Current Badin Students are also welcome; see this as an opportunity to get a feel for the program.

Campers will get to cheer pregame at the Badin High School Homecoming game on Friday September 28th! More info to come following cheer camp

Cheers,

Emily Enderle, Katie Maus, and Staci Hansel