

# Saint Alphonsus Catholic School



## FAMILY NEWSLETTER JANUARY 5, 2011



*Wishing you and your family the best of health,  
happiness and many wonderful blessings in 2011!*

### Calendar:



- Jan 7 – First Friday School Mass 9am  
School Dance for Grades 7&8 7:30-10pm in Parish Hall
- Jan 17 – No School / Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Jan 19 – First Communion Banner Meeting 9:30 in Narthex
- Jan 21 – March for Life Prayer Service 8am in Church
- Jan 22 – March for Life / Washington DC
- Jan 24 – Confirmation Retreat (4-8pm)
- Jan 30 – Opening of Catholic Schools Week / 10:15am Mass



### Yard Duty Schedule for Next Week January 10-14

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>First Shift</b>	T Barrett Cardosi Gentile Sadorf	Birnie Gallagher Hyer Nagle	Barton Dianno Mele Perri	Loftus Marzullo Pedicone Selgrath	Calhoun Greene SM McLaughlin Tavolaro
<b>Second Shift</b>	Dierkes Hand Maiolino Weglos	Devlin Felix Phillips Rizzuto	Petrucci S Rietzke DeAngelis Kuczborski	Cooper Larivee Rittenhouse Quinn	Fresno Hook Morrissey Signoretta

Please find a substitute if you are unable to keep your assigned time!



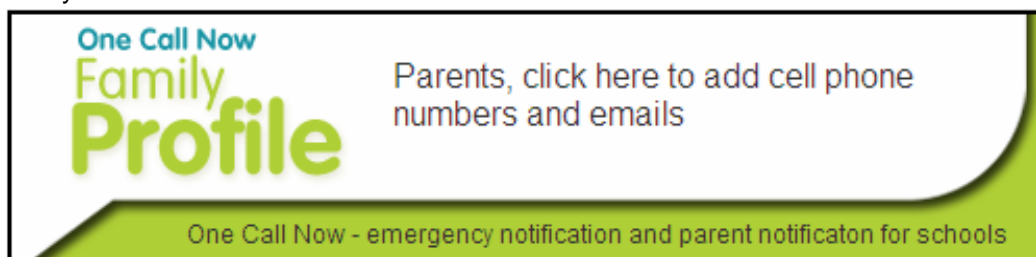
**First Friday Mass Collections:** On each First Friday of the month we are asking for donations for the Face to Face Program. For Friday, January 5th, we are asking the children in Grades PreK-2 to bring in mittens (child size) for the Face to Face program and students in Grades 3-8 to bring in household cleaning supplies for a shelter for homeless mothers in Ambler.



**One Call Now is our School-to-Parent Broadcast Service:** The need for increased emphasis on school safety, along with quick response to inclement weather conditions and other in-school emergencies are top priorities for St. Alphonsus School. We must be able to communicate quickly with school families when situations at school or in our community arise that affect the welfare and safety of our students.

**This service has been programmed with only your primary (home) phone number. School broadcast announcements will be sent only to your primary (home) phone number, until you add additional phone numbers yourself. It is up to you to add work and cell phone numbers and any additional phone numbers and emails.**

Families wishing to include additional phone numbers and emails may do so by going to the St. Alphonsus School website, click on the Family Envelope tab, and then click on the One Call Now Family Profile web banner



Each family can add up to five more phone numbers and four more email addresses. **If you choose not to add more emergency contacts, messages will go to your primary (home) phone number only.**

### **St. Alphonsus Chess Club:**



Silver Knights Chess Club is back! See flyer in today's family envelope. All grades and skill levels are welcome! Chess Club will be held after school on Tuesdays from January 18 – March 8 from 2:35 – 3:35pm. Tuition is \$101 with a \$5 discount for online registration. Visit [www.silverknightschess.com](http://www.silverknightschess.com) for online registration. **Please do not send Chess Club registration forms back into school!** Further questions can be directed to [chess@silverknightschess.com](mailto:chess@silverknightschess.com) or (610) 446-0818. Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to learn this life long skill!

**Safe Environment Workshop:** Thank you for all your help with our children ... your presence and support are greatly appreciated. If you work with children on a weekly basis (lunchroom, library, classrooms, etc.) you are required to attend the "Protecting God's Children for Adults" workshop." Upcoming workshops include: Our Lady of Mount Carmel (Doylestown) on Tuesday, February 1 @ 6:30pm. Visit [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org) for sessions and to register on line. Please be sure to give the office a copy of your certificate after completing the workshop.



**Box Tops for Education:** Thanks for Kathleen McGettigan for running this very worthwhile program! We received a check for \$511 for all the Box Tops that have been turned into the office. Please keep clipping "Box Tops!" This is a great way for the school to obtain money for just a little effort on everyone's part!

**eBoxTops**, like physical Box Tops, are worth 10¢ each for our school. However, instead of clipping these Box Tops and sending them into your school, eBoxTops are awarded electronically to our school earnings at bfe.com and will be included in our next Box Tops check amount. See flyer at end of this newsletter for more details.



## *Blue Ribbon Commission*

*Charting the Future Course of Catholic Education in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia*

**Blue Ribbon Commission Information:** In order to keep you updated on the movement and progress of the Blue Ribbon Commission, please visit the website: <http://www.catholicschools-phl.org/blue-ribbon-commission/video-of-press-conference>.



# Catholic Schools Week Luncheon

To honor our talented and dedicated St. A's Faculty and Staff, the Home and School Association will be hosting the annual Catholic Schools Week Faculty and Staff Appreciation Luncheon:

Thursday February 3, 2011  
St. Alphonsus Parish Center  
11:30 – 1:00

Please let us know what you would like to donate by filling out the form below and returning it to school or by emailing us. We need soups, and more soups, sandwiches, salads, fruit, breads and desserts.

Thank you for your help,

Maura Jennings  
[maurajennings@comcast.net](mailto:maurajennings@comcast.net)

Steve Shegogue  
[shegogue@verizon.net](mailto:shegogue@verizon.net)

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Food item: \_\_\_\_\_

Can you help clean up at 1 pm the day of the luncheon? \_\_\_\_\_



# America's Got Talent and



so does St A's



Calling all present and future stars....The St. Alphonsus Talent Show needs your act. Individual and Group talent is encouraged - singing, dancing, playing instruments, drama...surprise us with your creativity. Acts should be kept to 3 minutes in length. All acts need to pre-register by sending in the form below. There are no auditions but space is limited. Please register early. Due to the popularity of this event, acts may be limited (first come basis).

The show will be held during school on Tuesday February 1<sup>st</sup>.

The form should be returned to the office. The deadline for registering is January 21<sup>st</sup>. All participants need to complete the form below, noting parental permission. Acts will be contacted by email with information about rehearsals. Any questions can be sent to Colleen Araco at [naraco@comcast.net](mailto:naraco@comcast.net).

\*\*\* Sponsored by Home and School as part of CSW

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Family Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

My talent is \_\_\_\_\_

Others who will participate with me: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's permission: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\* Please note that a keyboard will be available, not a piano. All music should be provided on a CD.



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Not a Box Tops site member? Go to [btfe.com](http://btfe.com) to start earning for your school!

note: it may take up to 6-8 weeks for eBoxTops to be displayed on your earnings page.

# GATOR GEAR

## ORDER FORM

Item	Size	Price	Quantity	Total Cost
T-shirt		\$15		
Flannel Pant		\$20		
Youth sweatshirt – pink letters		\$25		
Youth sweatshirt – green letters		\$25		
Adult sweatshirt – pink letters		\$35		
Adult sweatshirt – green letters		\$35		
Tie Dye Shorts		\$16		
Warrior mesh shorts		\$18		
Sweatpants		\$20		

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Checks made payable to St. Alphonsus Home and School.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Homeroom: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number/ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

All items will be sent home with your child unless otherwise specified:

\_\_\_\_\_

# St. Alphonsus Scrip Program

*In stock items will be returned within 2 days. Special orders can take up to 1 week. Checks should be made out to St. Alphonsus*

*For questions or additional information call Mary Finley at 215-646-0421 or marfin29@aol.com.*

Office Use: check # \_\_\_\_\_ cash \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Name</b>		<b>Total Order</b> \$
<b>Room Number</b>	<b>Order Date</b>	<b>Phone Number</b>

Grocery	Qty	Total
A&P/Super Fresh \$25 or \$100		\$
Acme \$50		\$
Giant \$50		\$
Pathmark \$25		\$
Shop N Bag \$50		\$
Genuardi \$25 or \$100		\$
ShopRite \$25 or \$100		\$

Department Store	Qty	Total
Bloomingdale's \$25		\$
Boscov's \$25 or Bon Ton \$25		\$
JCPenney \$25 or \$100		\$
Lord & Taylor \$25		\$
Kohl's Dept. Store \$25 or \$100		\$
Macy's/Federated \$25 or \$100		\$
Neiman Marcus \$50		\$
Sears or K-Mart \$25 or \$100		\$
Ross' \$25		\$

Travel	Qty	Total
Marriott Hotels \$50/100/500		\$

Electronics & Office	Qty	Total
Staples \$25		\$
Office Max \$25 or \$100		
Office Depot \$25 or \$100		

Entertainment	Qty	Total
AMC Theaters \$25 or 1 tkt (9.50)		\$
Barnes & Noble/B.Dalton \$10 or \$25		\$
Barnes & Noble "Teacher" Gift \$20		\$
Blockbuster \$6, \$10 or \$12		\$
Dave & Busters \$25		\$
Borders / Waldenbooks \$10 or \$25		\$
Regal Ent (UA Theaters) \$25 or 1 tkt \$9.50		\$

Home Decor	Qty	Total
Bed Bath & Beyond \$25		\$
Crate & Barrel \$25		\$
Restoration Hardware \$25 or \$100		\$
Pottery Barn / Williams Sonoma \$25		\$
Pier 1 Imports \$25		\$

Home Improvement	Qty	Total
Lowe's \$25 or \$100		\$
Home Depot \$25 or \$100 Gift		\$

Sporting Goods	Qty	Total
Sports Authority \$25		\$
Champs Sports \$25		\$
Dick's Sporting Goods \$25		\$

Apparel & Accessories	Qty	Total
American Eagle or Aeropostale \$25		\$
Claire's \$10 (No fee card)		\$
The Childrens Place \$25		\$
Gap / Banana / Old Navy \$25		\$
J. Crew \$25		\$
Gymboree \$25		\$
Limited \$25 or Dress Barn \$25		\$
Talbots \$25		\$
TJ Maxx/Marshall's/Home Gds \$25;100		\$
Eddie Bauer \$25		\$
Express \$25		\$

Dining - Casual	Qty	Total
Bertucci's \$25 or \$100		\$
Applebee's \$25		\$
California Pizza Kitchen \$10		\$
Cheesecake Factory \$25		\$
P.F Changs \$25		\$
Outback Stk/Carrabbas \$25		\$
Red Lobster/Olive Grdn/Longhorn Stk \$25		\$
Ruby Tues \$25 or TX Roadhouse \$25		\$
Chile's Bar & Grill \$25		\$
TGI Fridays \$25		\$

Dining - On The Go	Qty	Total
Cold Stone Creamery \$10		\$
Domino's \$14 Pizza & 2-liter		\$
Dunkin Donuts \$10		\$
Panera Bread \$10 or \$25		\$
Pizza Hut \$10		\$
Starbucks \$10 or \$25		\$
Burger King or Wendy's \$10		\$
Chuck E Cheese \$10		\$
Baskin Robbins \$2		\$

Online & Mail Order	Qty	Total
iTunes \$15 or \$25		\$
LL Bean \$25 or Lands End \$25		\$
Shutterfly \$25		\$

Specialty Retailer	Qty	Total
Bath & Body Works \$10 or \$25		\$
Ulta Salon \$25		\$
CVS \$25 or Rite Aid \$25 or Walgreen \$25		\$
Payless Shoes \$20		\$
Michaels or JoAnn Fabrics \$25		\$
Hallmark \$25		\$
Super Cuts \$25 or Master Cuts \$25		\$
Great Clips \$25		\$
Foot Locker \$25		\$
Omaha Steaks \$25		\$