

# ASA TODAY

**School Mass every Wednesday**  
MS— 8:30am, Elementary — 10:00am

OCTOBER 28, 2011

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

Dear Parents,

I love November! We start the month by celebrating All Saints Day and end it by giving thanks for all the wonderful people and gifts in our life and the beginning of the season of Advent. In between these events, we have a month of prime learning time, an opportunity for parent/teacher conferences and events that gather us together as a community for fellowship and fun!

Have you made your Eaglefest Auction reservations yet? The committee has been very busy planning for an evening of fun! You're not going to want to miss this exciting event. I have heard a few hints of the items, and have seen some of the projects the classes are making that will be on the auction block and I know you will want to be in on the bidding. If you haven't signed up yet, stop by or call either campus and we will make sure your reservations are intact and a packet will be ready for you at Eaglefest! A great big thanks to all those volunteers for working to make this a success.

We will have completed the first quarter on Friday 11/4/11. Report cards and MAP testing results will be sent home with students on Friday 11/11/11. Please remember you can access your children's grades anytime on Infinite Campus.

Many of the children have been sharing their Halloween plans here at school. It sounds like we have many creative children assembling Halloween costumes and are looking forward to Halloween fun with their families on Oct. 31. We hope for good weather and a safe evening for our students. Our school celebration of this season is All Saints Day. We hope that many of you will be able to join us for an All School Mass at St. Isidore at 10:00 AM on Tuesday November 1.

I would like to begin this month of Thanksgiving, by thanking all of you for your support, kindness and sharing your most precious children with us everyday! It is truly an honor.

God Bless,

Anne Harpold  
Principal

Save the date for the  
PLACT meeting on  
November 20th.  
Coaches - 1:00-4:00pm  
Parents - 5:00-6:00pm

**PLAY LIKE  
A CHAMPION  
TODAY**

Dear ASA community,

Have you heard stories from your students about teachers (and Assistant Principals) dressing up like firefighters? No, we weren't dressing up early for Halloween. If we did venture out trick-or-treating, parents would probably confuse us with the real thing. Why? Well, Mr. Martinez, an ASA parent and local firefighter, came into the elementary school and told our students all about fire safety. During his demonstration he even had the teachers dress up in his actual gear. It was fascinating listening to him describe pieces of the uniform; from the metal shin guards underneath the fire resistant material of the suit, to the protective mask, as well as the alarm hooked to the firefighters back that can locate firefighters who might be down. Even more fascinating was how heavy the equipment is! It's unbelievable that these men and women, wearing pounds and pounds of equipment, are able to run into a burning building and carry people out to safety.

Speaking of safety, two Grand Rapids Police Department officers came to both campuses to help us practice our lockdown drill. The officers and I were all very impressed with the seriousness that our students took with this drill as well as their execution. Hats off to all of our teachers for running through all of our safety routines with our students.

We are so blessed to have people associated with ASA that serve and protect not only our school community, but the larger local community as well. Don't forget to thank these important men and women whenever you see them!

God Bless,

Michael Debri  
Assistant Principal

All Saints Academy is a Catholic School inspired by the Holy Spirit and dedicated to teaching and living as Jesus did. Our Mission is to serve and partner with our families, parishes and communities as we focus on the spiritual, intellectual, moral, social and physical development of our children.

Saint's Corner

The Elementary School Office has chosen **St. Thomas Aquinas** as one of their saints.

Thomas was the son of the Count of Aquino and was born in the family castle in Lombardy near Naples, Italy. Thomas was one of nine children and was very intelligent, but he never boasted about it. He knew that his mind was a gift from God.



Thomas was sent to the abbey for schooling when he was five and he was educated by the Benedictine monks there. When he was eighteen, he went to the University of Naples to finish his studies.

There he met a new group of religious men called the Order of Preachers. Their founder, St. Dominic, was still living. Thomas knew he wanted to become a priest and felt that he was called to join these men. So he secretly joined the Dominican order in 1244.

St. Thomas wrote so well about God that people all over the world have used his books for hundreds of years. His explanations about God and the faith came from Thomas' great love for God. His writings touched the hearts of people because he was not trying to impress anyone. He just wanted with all his heart to offer the gift of his life to Jesus and the Church.

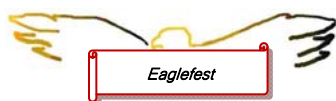
St. Thomas is one of the greatest Doctors of the Church and is considered the universal patron of universities, colleges, and schools.

Next Available VIRTUS Classes:

Saturday, November 5, 2011, 9:00am, St. Alphonsus Parish  
 Sunday, November 6, 2011, 5:30pm, Our Lady of Consolation

Home & School Goodies Factory Delivery

Goodies Factory fundraiser orders will be delivered to the Elementary campus on Thursday, November 3rd. Please plan to pick up your orders during one of the following pick up times. 11:15–11:45am or 3:00–4:00pm. If you are unable to pick up at either of these times, please contact Carmen Durham at [durhammom@hotmail.com](mailto:durhammom@hotmail.com) to make alternate arrangements. Please remember that some of the orders contain perishable items so please be sure to make arrangements to get them picked up. Thank you for supporting the Home & School Association and all our ASA students by participating in H & S fundraisers.



News

Eaglefest is seeking a volunteer to follow up with auction item winners - especially school based auction winners such as VIP school concert parking and seating, Principal for a day, & any items accidentally left at the auction/ not picked up by winners.

News from our Parishes

**Blessed Sacrament**

Shopping Trip to IKEA/Tangers Outlet

You are cordially invited to join Blessed Sacrament Parish on a shopping trip to IKEA in Canton, Michigan and Tangers Outlet on Saturday, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$48.50 which includes breakfast, games, and a lot of fun! Call Lori at 361-7339 to sign up or for information.

The Sports Boosters Need You!

Please consider volunteering at our upcoming Texas Hold 'Em Fundraiser. The Sports Program is running 4 Texas Hold 'Em events each calendar year to help offset our \$14,000 annual budget. This is an easy fundraiser and we need all ASA sports families to participate!

We are looking for volunteers for the following dates:  
 We need two volunteers for each shift each day.

Grand Rapids @ Westgate

Monday - 11/14/11  
 Tuesday - 11/15/11  
 Wednesday - 11/16/11

Holland

Monday - 11/21/11  
 Tuesday - 11/22/11  
 Wednesday - 11/23/11

1st shift is 5-9pm and 2nd shift is 9pm-1am.

If you are interested, please contact Paul Wila at 447-1745 or [wilapj@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wilapj@sbcglobal.net)

ASA Ski/Snowboard Club 2011-2012

Forms available in the school office. The deadline is Wednesday, November 9. Questions, please contact: Mr. Jon Fournier at [jfournier@allsaintsacademygr.org](mailto:jfournier@allsaintsacademygr.org)  
 Deb Posthumus at [dposthumus@allsaintsacademygr.org](mailto:dposthumus@allsaintsacademygr.org)

**Mon. Oct. 31 2011**  
 Halloween

**Week at a Glance**

**Tues. Nov. 1, 2011**

All Saints Day  
 All ASA School Mass, 10:00am St. Isidore Church

**Wed. Nov. 2, 2011**

No School Masses

**Thur. Nov. 3, 2011**

Goodies Factory fundraiser Pick up  
 11:15 - 11:45am or 3:00 - 4:00pm

**Fri. Nov. 4, 2011**

1st Quarter Ends

**Sat. Nov. 5, 2011**

Virtus Class, 9:00am, St. Alphonsus

**Sun. Nov. 6, 2011**

Virtus Class, 5:30pm, Our Lady of Consolation

Touching Safety Program

Please return your "opt out form" by November 4, 2011 if you do not wish your child to participate in the *Touching Safety program*.



# Elementary ExPRESS

“Come Holy Spirit, fill us with ....”

OCTOBER 28, 2011



Mrs. Antekeier did not really like how heavy and hot the firefighter's suit was.



“The kindergarteners told Mr. Deбри that he “smelled like ham” while wearing the firefighter’s suit”



**Elementary All School Rosary**  
Today at the Elementary building our 3rd and 4th graders led our first Elementary all school Rosary. Using our giant rosary each 3rd and 4th Grader led the school through the prayers. We will be doing an all school rosary each month, so watch the calendar. Parents are welcome to join us in prayer.

**Grand Rapids Fireman visits ASA**  
Mr. Martinez, an ASA parent and GR Firefighter, came and talked to the Kindergarten and first grade classes about firefighters. Mrs. Antekeier and Mr. Deбри had a chance to see what it feels like to put on all that equipment. Mr. Martinez told all the children they should not be afraid of firefighters, they are there to help.



## MIDDLE GROUND

**WHAT’S A MINUTE OR TWO?**  
When students are a minute or two late, they:

- Disrupt morning homeroom announcements and class sessions that have already begun.
- Throw off the lunch count.
- Get the day started on the wrong foot.
- Hold up other students who come into the office to deliver morning messages from classrooms. Students who are classroom messengers for the week are sometimes late for the next class when they wait in line in the office while others are getting tardy passes.

Please help your child get to school by 7:55, so there is time to go to the locker and be in their seats before the tardy bell at 8:00.



**AD NOTES—OPEN GYM FOR 5th and 6th grade Girls Basketball**

Open to all girls in 5th and 6th grade who might be interested in playing basketball this winter. We will be having optional open gyms after school from 3:45-5:15 on Tuesday November 1st, Thursday November 3rd and Tuesday November 8th. Come if you can...it's a great chance to start getting in shape for the season and to learn some fundamental ball handling skills. Questions? Contact AD Pete Gonzalez at [peggygonzalez@sbcglobal.net](mailto:peggygonzalez@sbcglobal.net).



**NEXT WEEK - TUTORING NOTE**  
Mrs. Webb will not be available for after-school tutoring on October 31. Please plan your child’s transportation accordingly.



**COMPETITIVE CHEERLEADING!!**  
Calling all 7th and 8th graders who are interested in Competitive Cheer! The season starts November 7th. This article did not arrive at ASA early enough to alert students and parents about the informational meeting last week, but you can get info by emailing or calling the contacts below. If you have any questions please contact Tara Hickey at 616-460-8716 or [cc.cheer@hotmail.com](mailto:cc.cheer@hotmail.com)



# NOVEMBER 2011



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;">                     Scholastic Book Fair                      Nov. 14-22 @ Elementary                 </div>		<b>1</b> All Saints Day <b>10:00 AM</b> All ASA Mass (St. Isidore)	<b>2</b> No School Masses	<b>3</b> Goodies Factory Pickup 11:15-11:45 or 3:00-4:00pm	<b>4</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr. Ends	<b>5</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Virtus Class (St. Al's)
<b>6</b> <b>5:30 PM</b> Virtus Class (Our Lady of Consolation)	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b>7:00</b> H&S Mtg. (EL) Election Day	<b>9</b> <b>8:30</b> MS Mass(6D) <b>10:00</b> EL Mass(3P) <b>7:00</b> School Bd Mtg	<b>10</b> <b>9:30</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Symphony (Celebration North)	<b>11</b> Report Cards <b>7:00 PM</b> Eaglefest Pizza Preview Party (WC)	<b>12</b> <b>6:00 PM</b> Eaglefest Auction (WC)
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 5-8 Conferences (both campuses)	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> <b>8:30</b> MS Mass(5M) <b>10:00</b> EL Mass(2L)	<b>17</b> <b>7:00</b> Booster Mtg. (MS)	<b>18</b> Jean/Color Day Ice Cream Float Sale <b>2:45</b> EL School Rosary	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 5-8 Conferences (MS & EL @ EL Campus)	<b>22</b> <b>11:30</b> Dismissal (½ day) Busses running	<b>23</b> No School	<b>24</b> Thanksgiving	<b>25</b> No School	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> <b>8:30</b> MS Mass(7Z) <b>10:00</b> EL Mass(2S)			



2011

# November

## Lunch Time



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
	<b>1</b> A. Chicken Nuggets B. Chicken Patty Oven Fries Fruit Cocktail Milk	<b>2</b> A. Breakfast Burrito w/ Hash Brown B. Chicken Patty Diced Peaches Milk	<b>3</b> A. Chicken Taco B. Chicken Patty Green Beans Fresh Fruit Milk	<b>4</b> A. Hamburger B. Chicken Patty Sliced Pears Milk	<p><b>More Info...</b></p> <p>Don't Forget our C &amp; D Choices!</p> <p>C. Salad Bar w/ PB &amp; J</p> <p>D. Healthy Choice: Turkey &amp; Ham Slices, Crackers, Yogurt, Muffins, Carrots</p>
<b>7</b> A. Bosco Sticks B. Corn Dog Carrot Coins Applesauce Milk	<b>8</b> A. Chicken Tenders w/ Mash Potatoes & Gravy B. Corn Dog Diced Peaches & Milk	<b>9</b> A. Breakfast Sandwich B. Corn Dog Hash Browns Fruit Cocktail Milk	<b>10</b> A. Super Nacho's B. Corn Dog Applesauce Milk	<b>11</b> A. Ham & Cheese Sub w/ Chips B. Corn Dog Veggies & Dip Milk Veteran's Day	
<b>14</b> A. Pepperoni Pizza B. Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Tossed Salad Fresh Fruit Milk	<b>15</b> A. Chicken Fries w/ Tator Tots B. Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Sliced Peaches Milk	<b>16</b> A. French Toast Stix w/ Sausage B. Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Warm Apple Slices Milk	<b>17</b> A. Taco Bar B. Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Milk	<b>18</b> A. Cheese Pizza B. Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Orange Smiles Milk	
<b>21</b> Turkey Mash Potatoes & Gravy Roll Corn Milk	<b>22</b> 1/2 <b>Day of School!</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Thanksgiving <b>Day!</b>	<b>25</b> Lunch \$ 2.20 Reduced \$ .40 Milk \$ .50	
<b>28</b> A. Pizza Pocket B. Hot Dog Diced Pears Milk	<b>29</b> A. Popcorn Chicken w/ Mash Potatoes B. Hot Dog Fruit Cocktail Milk	<b>30</b> A. Pancakes w/ Sausage B. Hot Dog Warm Apple Slices Milk	<b>...No School-Thanksgiving Break...</b>		



Menus are subject to change without notice.

## All Saints Elementary-Lunch

The National School Lunch Program prohibits discrimination based on race, color, religion, national origin, or handicap. Please call 616-891-0227 with questions or comments!





# 2011 November MS Lunch Menu



MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
		<b>1</b>	A. Pizza Pocket B. Chicken Patty Carrot Coins Sliced Pears Milk or Juice	<b>2</b>	A. Meat, Bean & Cheese Burrito B. Chicken Patty Fruit Cocktail Milk or Juice	<b>3</b>	A. Chicken Nuggets w/Mash Potatoes & Gravy B. Chicken Patty Corn Milk or Juice	<b>4</b>	A. Bosco Stick B. Chicken Patty Veggies & Dip Sliced Pears Milk or Juice
<b>7</b>	A. Crispito B. Hot Dog Cucumber Coins Fresh Fruit Milk or Juice	<b>8</b>	A. Sliced Pizza B. Hot Dog Tossed Salad Applesauce Milk or Juice	<b>9</b>	A. Mac & Cheese w/Mini Corn Dogs B. Hot Dog Diced Pears Milk or Juice	<b>10</b>	A. Popcorn Chicken B. Hot Dog Oven Fries Fruit Cocktail Milk or Juice	<b>11</b>	A. Grilled Cheese & Soup B. Hot Dog Juicy Red Apple Milk or Juice
<b>14</b>	A. French Toast Stick w/ Sausage B. Hot Ham & Cheese Sandwich Sliced Pears Milk or Juice	<b>15</b>	A. Tonys Pizza B. Hot Ham & Cheese Sandwich Tossed Salad Fresh Fruit Milk or Juice	<b>16</b>	A. Sloppy Joe B. Hot Ham & Cheese Sandwich Diced Pears Milk or Juice	<b>17</b>	A. Chicken Fries B. Hot Ham & Cheese Tater Tots Diced Pears Milk or Juice	<b>18</b>	A. Rotini & Sauce w/ Garlic Stick B. Hot Ham & Cheese Sandwich Fruit Cocktail Milk or Juice
<b>21</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Dinner!</b> Turkey, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Corn & Dinner Roll Milk or Juice Ice Cream	<b>22</b>	<b>1/2 Day of School!</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>...NO SCHOOL...THANKSGIVING BREAK...</b>				
<b>28</b>	A. Cheeseburger B. Corn Dog Oven Fries Sliced Peaches Milk or Juice	<b>29</b>	A. Personal Pizza B. Corn Dog Veggies & Dip Applesauce Milk or Juice	<b>30</b>	A. Taco Bar w/ all the fixings B. Corn Dog Sliced Pears Milk or Juice				

More Info...

Don't Forget our C & D Choices!

C. Salad Bar w/ PB & J

D. Healthy Choice: Turkey & Ham Slices, Crackers, Boiled Egg, Yogurt, Muffins, Carrot



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“Celebrating Faith, Learning, Loving and Serving”

October 28, 2011

Dear Parents,

Conferences will be held on Monday, November 14, 2011 (5-8 PM) and Monday, November 21, 2011 (5-8 PM). Middle School conferences will be held at the Middle School/Four Mile Campus on November 14, and at the Elementary/Diamond Campus on November 21.

Conferences for students with Mrs. Manning and Mrs. Bowman will be held in the fifth grade classrooms on Nov. 14, and in the elementary office on Nov. 21. These conferences do need to be scheduled ahead of time. Therefore, we would like you to indicate the time that works best for you. Please send the bottom portion of this notice back to the middle school by Friday, November 4, 2011 so that the school staff can adequately prepare the conference schedule. Conferences will be fifteen minutes long.

Grade 5 Options are: Conferences by appointment with Mrs. Manning or Mrs. Bowman (15 minutes)
Mon. Nov. 14, 2011 (MS gr. 5 Classrooms) 5:00 – 8:00 PM
Mon. Nov. 21, 2011 (Elem Office) 5:00 - 8:00 PM

5th grade parents: To see other teachers besides Mrs. Manning & Mrs. Bowman, please stop by the gym.

Grade 6 Options are: Open Schedule for everything EXCEPT Language Arts
Same schedule as 7 & 8 below - Language Arts by Appointment

6th grade parents: To see Mrs. Manning or Mrs. Bowman, about LA, schedule a 5 minute appointment below.

Grade 7 – 8 Options are: Open Schedule (5 minutes per teacher for each student)
Mon. Nov. 14, 2011 6th – 8th grade teachers (MS Gym)
Mon. Nov. 21, 2011 6th – 8th grade teachers (EL Gym)



CONFERENCE Appointment Request
with Mrs. Manning and / or Mrs. Bowman
Please return by Friday, November 4, 2011

Grade 5 & 6 ONLY: Please indicate your preference for conference times

Monday, November 14, 2011 (MS Classrooms) between and
Monday, November 21, 2011 (Elem Office) between and
No preference, can come anytime.

- 5th grade conference (15 min) - Mrs. Manning
6th grade LA conference (5 min.) - Mrs. Manning
5th grade conference (15 min) - Mrs. Bowman
6th grade LA Conference (5 min) - Mrs. Bowman

Name of Student Homeroom

Parent signature



*"Celebrating Faith, Learning, Loving and Serving"*

October 28, 2011

Dear Parents,

Elementary School conferences will be held on Monday Evening, **November 14<sup>th</sup>** and Monday Evening, **November 21<sup>st</sup>** for all elementary students. Conferences will be scheduled in fifteen minute intervals. (Middle school conferences will be held in the gym at the Diamond Campus on Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> for those of you who have students at both campuses and wish to do conferences at the same time.)

Please send the bottom portion of this notice back to the elementary school by Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, so that the school staff can properly prepare the conference schedule.

The options for elementary conferences are:	Mon. Nov. 14 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 – 8:00pm
	Mon. Nov. 21 <sup>st</sup>	5:00 – 8:00pm

We look forward to the opportunity to discuss your child's progress.



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*Due in office by Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>*  
*(If forms are not returned, conference times will be assigned by the teacher)*

Please indicate your preference for conference times.

\_\_\_\_\_ Monday Evening, November 14<sup>th</sup>                      between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Monday Evening, November 21<sup>st</sup>                      between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ No preference, can come anytime.

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_


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Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Parent signature \_\_\_\_\_

We will do our best to honor your request as closely as possible and the teachers will be working with each other to coordinate the times for all your students. Thank you for your understanding.

  
All Saints Academy  
"Celebrating Faith, Learning, Loving and Serving"

**TO: Parents**  
**FROM: ALL SAINTS ACADEMY**  
**SUBJECT: Opportunity to "opt your child out" of the *Touching Safety* program**  
**DATE: 2011-2012 School Year**

All Saints Academy will present a sexual abuse prevention program, the *Touching Safety* program, to our students during the 2011-2012 school year. The creators of the *Protecting God's Children*™ program developed the *Touching Safety* program. This program is provided to us by the Diocese of Grand Rapids, and is a part of our ongoing effort to help create and maintain a safe environment for children and to protect all children from sexual abuse.

The scheduled lesson is being offered to all students at All Saints Academy. As a parent, you have the right to choose whether your student participates. We encourage you to read the "overview" and "lesson plan", available at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org), so you'll be aware of the nature of the *Touching Safety* program. If you have questions about the program or the lesson, please contact Mrs. Anne Harpold at [aharpold@allsaintsacademygr.org](mailto:aharpold@allsaintsacademygr.org). If you determine that you DO NOT want your child to participate, please complete the "opt-out" form at the bottom of this page, and return it to your child's teacher **no later than November 4, 2011**.

For more information on the *Touching Safety* program, visit the VIRTUS *Online*™ website at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org).

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**Opt-out form for use with the *Touching Safety* program:**

ALL SAINTS ACADEMY **does not** have my permission to present the *Touching Safety* program, to my child \_\_\_\_\_ whose \_\_\_\_\_ name \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_.

Parent's name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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