



Irish Times



ABSENCES

Please remember to call the office by 9:00 a.m. on any day that your child will not be attending school. Even if you have emailed the teacher, you will still need to inform the office. If your child/children are virtual learning, please sign in your attendance by 9:00 a.m. on School Speak under "Quick Links".

FUTURE TITAN NIGHT

Mark your calendars! Future Titan Football Night is Friday, September 24. Future Titans of ALL ages are invited to celebrate at the Boylan vs Hononegah game. All Future Titans will receive free admission, hot dogs, giveaways and will be recognized right before the start of the varsity game. The fun kicks off at 6:30pm.

TAKE A WALK, READ A BOOK!

Check out our new Storybook Walk! Located on the south side of the school building near the main entrance, you will find several stations with pages from a child's book. This month's story is "Leaf Man" by Lois Ehlert. Special thank you to Joanna Dowling for creating this wonderful space for our school!

REMINDER:

School Doors open at **7:55**
Tardy Bell is 8:10
Dismissal is 3:05

IMPORTANT DATES:

September 20 Scrip Orders Due
September 24 Scrip Pickup
September 24 Future Titan Football Night
September 27 Scrip Orders Due
October 1 Scrip Pickup
October 1 Spirit Day
October 8 No School –Teacher Institute Day
October 11 No School - Columbus Day
October 15 End of 1st Quarter
October 20 Picture Retakes & PreK 3 Pictures
October 23 Report Cards

HELP EARN MONEY FOR OUR SCHOOL

We participate in Box Tops for Education. No more clipping, you simply add the app for Box Tops, select St. Bridget School, and scan your receipt! We receive 10 ¢ for every qualifying item.

Now is the perfect time to begin using Scrip. Stock up for the upcoming holidays. Scrip offers gift cards for some of the most popular merchants. Each retailer offers a rebate on their cards. 75% of all Scrip rebates are applied twice a year to FACTS Management to offset tuition or incidentals of the purchasing family. The other 25% goes directly to the school.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As you may or may not know, various parishes are assigned to run the concession stand for one Boylan Home Football Games. We are currently looking for volunteers to help on **Friday, September 24th** vs Hononegah for St. Bridget's night!

The shifts are as follows:

Setup: 3:30 – 5:15 (need 5-7 people)

Sophomore Game: 5:30 – 7:00 (need approx 4-5 people)

Varsity Game: 7:00 – 8:30 (need approx 8-10)

The Concession stand closes after half time of the varsity game. It is always a fun time with fellow St. Bridget parents.

SignUpGenius Link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0e4ea9aa2fa31-stbridgets>

*Please sign up via the Sign Up Genius Link or contact Becky Zehe at 815-721-5830 or Jenn Schroeder at 815-540-9536

HELP WANTED! JOIN THE IRISH TEAM.

We are hiring three part time positions:

- Part time maintenance/handyperson (20 hrs/week)
- Night time school cleaner (6-8 hrs/week)
- Aftercare worker (6-8 hrs/week)

Please email Mary Toldo if interested.

Thanks for considering.

Check out the new St. Bridget Spiritwear!! The link is open on School Speak.

Dear Parents,

I hope you are doing well! Our school year is off to a very good start. There is a good spirit around the school despite some of the pandemic restrictions which impact all schools. Our enrollment is up and we have some excellent new teachers and staff who have come on board. We've been able to add another preschool classroom, new restrooms, and an enlarged nurses office on the west wing of the school. Our preschool enrollment is up since we are now able to offer more options for parents. Mary Toldo, our Principal, does a great job in leading our school.

Grades 2nd through 8th attend Mass twice a week at our regular 8:15am Mass. We're also planning on some prayer experiences at the church for our kindergarten students and first graders. Starting in October we'll begin celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation for grades 3-8. Each week one of the grades will receive the sacrament. We're just beginning to prepare our 2nd graders for their first reconciliation which will take place on Saturday, December 4.

I'd also encourage everyone to attend Mass on Sunday's. One of the commandments is to keep holy the Lord's day. For Christians that is Sunday(or the Saturday Vigil Mass). Our weekend Mass schedule is Saturday at 4:30pm, and Sunday's at 7:00am, 8:15am, 10:00am and 11:30am. We always live stream our Sunday 10:00 am Mass. I know some of you belong to other parishes or faith communities. Wherever we participate, worshipping God and connecting with the community on Lord's day keeps us centered on what is truly important. As parents you know the challenges of raising children in a world where there is a great deal of moral pollution. Our connection to God keeps us strong for the journey.

Thank you for being part of St. Bridget Catholic School. As a parish we recently celebrated our 75th anniversary. The school has been here almost as long as the parish. There is a great tradition at St. Bridget's and I'm happy to be here leading our parish and school as your pastor. Let's continue to trust in the providence of God and work together for his glory and the building up of God's Kingdom on earth. May the blessings of the Lord be upon you and your family!

In Christ,

Msgr. Steve Knox
Pastor