

October 9, 2017

Dear St. Germaine families,

I hope all of you enjoyed your weekend! We had a test-filled week last week and are just about wrapping things up to return to “normal.” ☺

- Each year the seminary community opens their doors and their hearts to over 2000 children from the surrounding Detroit neighborhood so that the kids can have a fun and safe place to play games and trick-or-treat. They are requesting **donations of Halloween candy** that will be passed out to the many kids. If you wish to donate, please bring/send candy to the school office by October 23.
- Our seventh graders will travel downtown to the seminary for **Vocations Day Wednesday**-a unique and spiritual day of faith development and enrichment. Our eighth graders will attend the **Rock and Mineral Show** at Macomb Community College on Friday.
- Plans for our **Halloween Fun Walk** are underway. Mark your calendar for Friday, October 27 for an evening of fun: Trunk or Treating, cider/donuts, and a Haunted Hallway!
- Our St. Germaine 8th grade Class of 2018 is sponsoring a **15 Hour Scrapbook Fundraiser** Saturday, November 4, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 midnight! Click [here](#) for flyer. Donations for prize baskets would also be greatly appreciated!
- Please share this link: <http://www.ltdcommodities.com/channels/school/sgcs48081> with family, friends, and social media. We are now eligible for 5 – 7% cash back on all sales.
- Online sales for **Yankee Candles** are open now. Click [here](#) for more information.
- As of October 15, navy/khaki shorts or skorts are no longer permitted. Beginning Monday, October 16, **pants or plaid jumper/skirt only for girls (no skorts) and pants only (no shorts) for boys until March 31, for both gym uniform and regular uniform.** Refer to the handbook on our website or call the office if you are in need of clarification.

Here’s a look at our week ahead (IOWA/Cognitive Abilities testing continues this week):

Monday, October 9	Preschool vision and hearing testing, K – 3 progress reports, golf after school
Tuesday, October 10	El Charro day/night 11 am – 10 pm!
Wednesday, October 11	Mass with grades 1 – 6, 8 at 8:30 a.m.—join us! Vocations Day for seventh grade, grade 6 Reconciliation, tennis after school
Thursday, October 12	Bagel Day!
Friday, October 13	Eighth grade to rock and mineral show, tennis match-up with St. Isaac team in the gym after school, “Foley Experience” for grades 6 – 8 at Bishop Foley
Saturday, October 14	Men’s Club sponsored Cornhole Tournament—more information here

Weekend Liturgies here at Our Lady of Hope are celebrated Saturdays at 5:00 pm and Sundays at 8:30 am and 10:30 am. *There is no better way to ensure your child develops in his or her faith life than to regularly, actively, and joyfully celebrate the Eucharist as a family.*

October is a BIG month of celebration for Fr. Jim—28th anniversary as pastor on the 16th, Priesthood Sunday on the 29th AND his birthday on the 30th. If you wish to contribute to a group gift please submit to the office by October 27th.

Have a great week/weekend and as always, if you have any questions, please contact the office. Blessings!
Mrs. DeGrez