

# THURSDAY FLYER

## From the Principal's Pen:

Dear St. Gerard Families:

**What's the point of a school uniform?** This is something that both parents and students sometimes ask. **Wearing a school uniform is a badge of pride, creates an identity for a school and is an important part of being a school student.** Uniforms show that you are part of an organization and shows that **"we are all in this together"**. Also if students wear their school uniform with pride, it means you are halfway there to being respectful, and buying into what our school is all about.

Wearing a school uniform teaches students to dress smartly and to take pride in their appearance. This will help prepare students for their futures beyond school when they have to dress smartly or wear a work uniform. Some people believe that a school uniform can improve learning by reducing distraction, sharpening the focus on school work and making the classroom a more serious environment, allowing students to perform better academically.

Also important is that students do not have to worry about peer pressure when it comes to their clothes. When everyone is dressed the same, worrying about what you look like isn't so important. There is no competition about being dressed in the latest trend, which would put a great deal of financial pressure on students and parents. Potential bullies have one less target for their insults; it's hard to make fun of what someone else is wearing when you are dressed exactly the same. Let's show our **St. Gerard Pride** and make sure that every child is coming to school following our uniform policy.

With the start of 2023, let's review the uniform policy together, which is attached for you and your student(s) to discuss the importance of taking pride in themselves and following rules and policies everywhere they go! This includes haircuts, shoes, and appropriate length skirts.

Many Blessings!

Mrs. Schoonover, Principal

## Altar Servers:

**Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 5 p.m.:** Preston Jeffers, Maddie Jeffers, Colby Hinds

**Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 8:30 a.m.:** Dallas Martin, Emiley Martin, Blake Tobe

**Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11 a.m.:** Kyle Hutchison, Connor Truex, Ryan Hutchison

## Report Cards:

2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter report cards will be sent home on Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup>.

## Extended Day Statements:

Extended Day statements are being sent home today with students. Please send in payments by Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup>.



Re-enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year will begin within the next few weeks. Just a friendly reminder that you must be in good standing with current tuition and/or fee balances before you will be able to re-enroll. If you have questions regarding your balance, please contact the school office.

## Catholic Schools Mass:

Mark your calendars! This year we will kick off Catholic Schools week on Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>. Students and families are invited to join us at the 11 a.m. Mass with students wearing their school uniforms. We will have a designated area reserved for our students and school families to sit together. Looking forward to gathering as a school community to celebrate catholic education!

### Blessings To You



On Your First  
Reconciliation

### First Reconciliation:

Please keep the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students from St. Gerard School and the PSR Program in your prayers as they will receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation this Saturday.

### Jr. High Softball Coach:

LCC is looking for a junior high softball coach for this upcoming spring season. This will be a stipend position. Must have knowledge of the sport (coaching or playing). If you are interested, please email the high school softball coach, Julia Miller at [jmiller@apps.lcchs.edu](mailto:jmiller@apps.lcchs.edu).



## SGS Uniform Policy



### Boys:

1. **Pants:** navy blue twill, uniform style. **Belts must be worn in grades 4-8.**
2. **Shorts:** navy blue twill, uniform style. **(August, September and May Only)**
3. **Shirts:** solid white or pale yellow oxford style, short or long-sleeved, or three button knit shirt with collar in white, pale yellow, or hunter green
4. **Sweaters:** dark green or navy v-neck or sweater vest or cardigan
5. **Fleece or Pullover:** dark green or navy blue with SGS logo or SGS Pullover (purchased through school office)
6. **Shoes:** solid navy, black or brown. Sperrys or Hey Dudes must be plain, no print, and neutral color. *If you buy tennis shoes, they must be a solid color.* **No boots or boot style.**
7. **Socks:** white, black or navy socks only
8. **No earrings permitted.**
9. **Haircuts:** For boys hair should be modest and clean cut. **Mohawks and haircuts with designs cut/shaved in them are not permitted.** Hair should be natural in color.

### Girls:

1. **Plaid Jumper grade K-3**
2. **Navy Blue or Plaid Skirt:** *No more than 1 inch above the knee.* **Grades thru 4-8**
3. **Pants:** navy blue twill, uniform style. **(No capri length or skinny pants) Belts in 4-8**
4. **Shorts/Skooter:** navy blue twill, uniform style-*no more than 4 inches above the knee* **(August, September and May ONLY)**
5. **Shirts:** white or pale yellow, oxford cloth, short or long-sleeve, Peter Pan collared blouse, plain, knit 3 button collared shirt in white, pale yellow or hunter green **(no lace or extra trim).**
6. **Sweaters:** dark green or navy cardigan, v-neck or sweater vest.
7. **Fleece or Pullover:** dark green or navy zip up with long sleeves and SGS logo or SGS Pull-over (purchased in school office)
8. **Shoes:** solid color navy, black or brown, Sperrys or Hey Dudes must be plain, no print, and neutral color. *If you buy tennis shoes, they must be a solid color.* **No boots or boot style shoes.**
9. **Socks:** White, dark green, or navy plain anklets, knee socks or tights. **NO LEGGINGS.**
10. **Haircuts:** For girls hair should be modest and clean cut. **Haircuts with designs cut/shaved in them are not permitted.** Girls headbands should match their clothing and should not be distracting. Hair should be natural in color.
11. **No nail polish or artificial nails and no makeup.**

# Honor Roll

## 2nd Quarter

### All A's

#### 8th Grade:

Bractyn Jones  
Cadence Kelly-Frueh  
Jaylon Patton

#### 7th Grade:

Brielle Bourk  
Claire Butler  
Jena Dershem-  
Stevenson  
Carter Helmig  
Nathan Warner

#### 6th Grade:

Taylor Wall-Ferguson

#### 5th Grade:

Raylan Tierney

### All A's & B's

#### 8th Grade:

Stephanie Caballero, Olivia Frueh, LaKayla Scott, Donovan Short, Madeline Yahl

#### 7th Grade:

Ava Armstead, Kira Kelly, Carter Lester, Alanna Newbury,

#### 6th Grade:

Drew Butler, Jonathan Chambers, Delilah Gaines-Romick, C'iani Glenn, Madelyn Jeffers, Riley Kelly, Gianna Little, Connor Shutt,

#### 5th Grade:

Ca'Vaeyah Haithcox, Kendra Hatcher, Laila Hughes, Jordan Jackson, Josiah Manley, Brilynn Robertson

 **LIMA CENTRAL CATHOLIC**   
**THUNDERBIRDS**

**Register your 7th & 8th grade students for Spring Sports!**

**Sports available to your student include  
Baseball, Softball, Track & Field  
Last day to register is Tuesday, January 31, 2023.**

**There is a \$35 fee per student per sport.**

**SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW WITH YOUR SMART PHONE CAMERA TO  
BE TAKEN DIRECTLY TO THE REGISTRATION PAGE  
or visit [www.lcchs.edu](http://www.lcchs.edu)**



# Third Week OF ORDINARY TIME

## CELEBRATE ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

January 24

Born in the Duchy of Savoy (now France), Francis studied at Annecy, Paris and Padua, and was ordained in 1593. He spent four years reconverting Catholics who had become Calvinists, writing many tracts to explain basic tenets of the faith. In 1602 he became bishop of Geneva, which he reorganized and reformed. He also famously preached in Paris and wrote two devotional books that are still widely read.

A 20-year friendship with St. Jane Frances de Chantal led to their founding the Order of the Visitation. Canonized in 1665 and declared a doctor of the church in 1877, Francis is the patron saint of journalists, authors and the deaf.



### Pray together

O God, who for the salvation of souls willed that the Bishop Saint Francis de Sales become all things to all, graciously grant that, following his example, we may always display the gentleness of your charity in the service of our neighbor. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.



### Plan together

The Toledo Visitation Sisters welcome prayer requests. Decide as a family what intentions you would like them to pray for. Send your requests :

- By mail to Monastery of the Visitation  
1745 Parkside Blvd. Toledo, Ohio 43607
- By email to [toledoviz@toast2.net](mailto:toledoviz@toast2.net)
- By phone at 419-536-1343



### Learn together

Did you know that there is a Visitation Convent in Toledo? The first Bishop of the Diocese of Toledo, Bishop Joseph Scremb, invited the Sisters of the Visitation to the diocese within a few years of its founding. They were crucial to his vision for the diocese. He told the sisters that his object in bringing the Visitation Order to Toledo was that "The sisters should remain upon the mountain-top in prayer and sacrifice pleading for the salvation of souls, particularly those of the diocese, clergy, religious and laity." For more than a century, they have continued in that crucial role, separated but united in prayer.

Learn more about the life of the Toledo Visitation Sisters: [toledovisitation.org/day-in-the-life/](http://toledovisitation.org/day-in-the-life/)



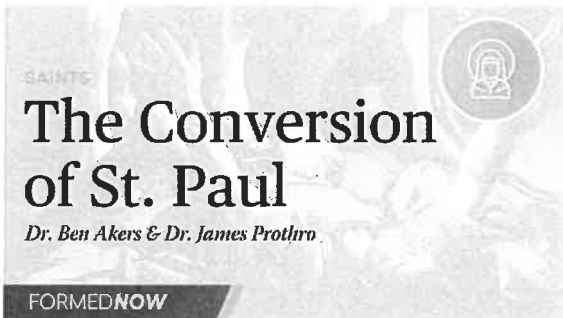
# THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of January 22, 2023



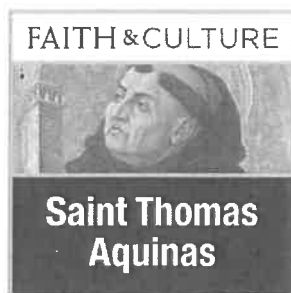
## Saint Francis de Sales: Pastor of Souls

St. Francis de Sales became a hero during the Catholic Reformation for his pastoral care and spiritual writings. Join Dr. Chris Blum as he walks through the life of this great saint, who is celebrated on January 24th!



## The Conversion of Saint Paul

Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Dr. James Prothro, Assistant Professor of Sacred Scripture at the Augustine Institute Graduate School, to discuss the conversion of one of the largest figures in Christianity, Saint Paul.



## Saint Thomas Aquinas with Randall Smith

The Angelic Doctor is often associated with his *Summa Theologica* among his other great works. Join Drs Christopher Blum and Randall B. Smith as they explore some of the lesser known works of St. Thomas Aquinas.

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# **PASS, DRIBBLE, & SHOOT CONTEST**

**January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 1:00 PM**

Registration at 12:30 PM with 30 minutes of practice  
DOORS OPEN AT 12:15 PM

**SHAWNEE HIGH SCHOOL GYM**

**ALL BOYS AND GIRLS AGE 8-13**

Assisted by Shawnee Boys/Girls Varsity Teams

**DON'T MISS THIS FUN OPPORTUNITY**

**TO MEASURE YOUR SKILLS!**

**FREE AND EASY REGISTRATION AT THE DOOR!**

**ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE A FREE T-SHIRT!**



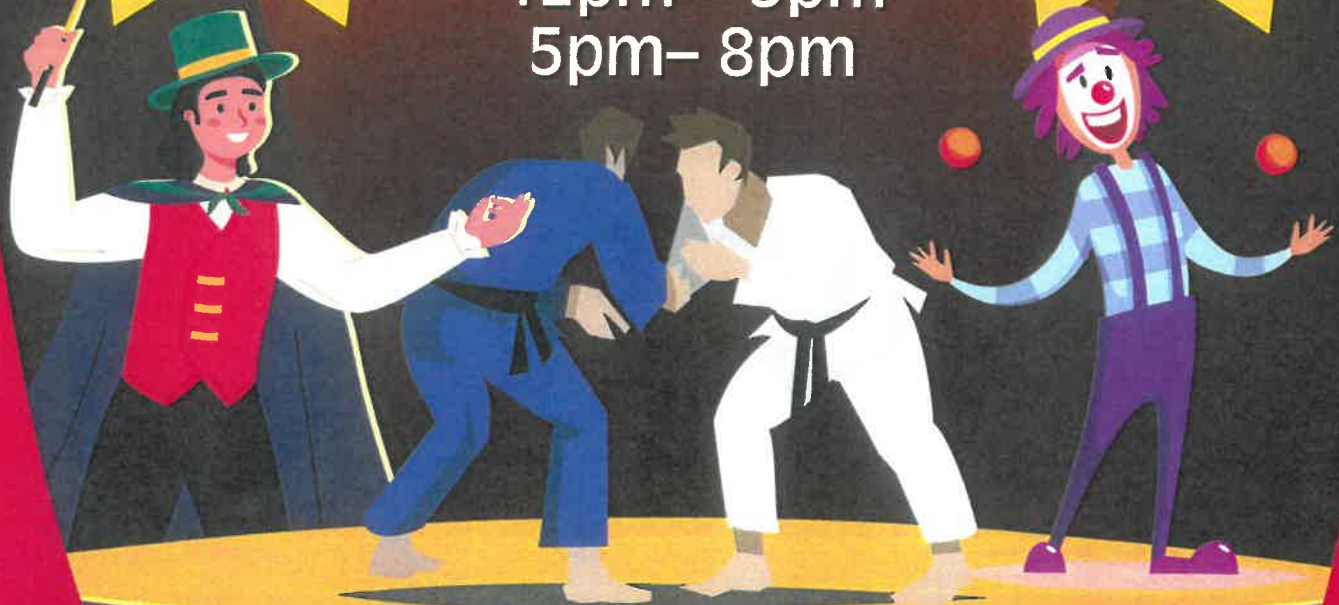
# BATTLE OF THE TALENTS AUDITIONS

Civic Center  
7 Town Square  
Lima, OH 45801

**JR. DIVISION**  
**AGES 12 – 17**  
**WINNER TAKES ALL!**  
**\$500**

Sunday,  
January 29, 2023  
12pm – 3pm  
5pm – 8pm

**SR. DIVISION**  
**AGES 18 & UP**  
**WINNER TAKES ALL!**  
**\$1,000**



*All other participants will receive an award!*

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