

From the Desk of  
Maria Cahill, Principal  
March 8, 2023



### **Greetings Saint Pius Tenth School Families!**

\*\*\* We have **a lot of information** to bring to your attention this week. We ask that you take the time to read each item carefully, as this is our main source of communication, and many common questions are answered utilizing this medium. Thank you!

**First and foremost, I would like to congratulate the students and teachers of Saint Pius Tenth School! Out of all of the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Rochester, Saint Pius showed the MOST growth overall on our iReady mid-year diagnostic testing for both Reading and Math! Everyone has been working so hard and it shows...AMAZING JOB EVERYONE!!**

**To celebrate, we will be having a school-wide pizza lunch next Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup> (and there may be some other fun planned). Students are also invited to dress down on that day.**

### **St. Pius Tenth School really knows how to Sham Rock 'N Roll!**

Our dance this past Friday night was a HUGE success (minus the weather), and I have no doubt that everyone who was there had an awesome time! So much thanks goes out to Mrs. Allen for coordinating the event and our DJ, Tommy B (Bartolini), for keeping everyone moving!

Check out the **Diocese of Rochester Catholic Schools Art Show** at the following link:

<https://sites.google.com/view/2023dorcs/home>

St. Pius Tenth School has an amazing 30 pieces in the show! Wonderful job everyone!

### **Box Tops for Education:**

#### **Download app and scan receipt. It's that easy!**

With just 13 days left in our Winter Challenge, Grade 1 has more than double the number of box tops than the closest challenger. Keep scanning those receipts!

### **Registration for the 2023-24 school year is now open to all families, both current and prospective.**

If you have not yet sent in your registration paperwork, please do so as soon as possible. This not only guarantees enrollment for your student(s) but helps us to plan for textbook needs, classroom arrangements, and staffing needs.

The following link will take you to our website, where registration packets have been posted under the "Enrollment" tab:

<https://www.saintpiustenthsschool.org/>

If you prefer a hard copy, please let us know, and we will send it home with your student.

**PLEASE NOTE: We are asking that ALL forms be completed this year. Four of the forms are new and made common to all schools in the Diocese of Rochester.**

The **St. Pius Tenth School Service Club** is collecting items for the House of Mercy for our school-wide Lenten Service Project. Please see the enclosed flyer for items they are always in need of, and we Thank You for your support!

### **CHILDREN'S CHOIR FOR EASTER**

Attention children in grades 3-8 (but if you feel that your child is ready, they are more than welcome). Amanda Varrone and Jim Tausel will be assembling a children's choir for the 9:30 Easter Sunday mass, which is on April

9th. Rehearsals will be held on Thursdays from 5:30-6:30PM in the church on March 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th, tentatively April 3rd and then April 9th for Easter. If you are interested, please email [amanda.varrone@gmail.com](mailto:amanda.varrone@gmail.com)

Friday, March 10, 2023, is a **scheduled day off** for students.

Our next **PAC meeting** is scheduled for Monday, March 13, 2023, at 6:15 PM. **PLEASE NOTE, this meeting will be held in Room 20 in the school, NOT the Parish Center.**

We will also have a ZOOM option as follows:

Maria Cahill is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: PAC March Meeting

Time: Mar 13, 2023 06:15 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86173770514?pwd=bGc0UnlLTlE3eVRMdmQ3bGpwbkYUT09>

Meeting ID: 861 7377 0514

Passcode: ZQga8W

**Our next scheduled ½ day for students is Friday, March 17, 2023. Pre-K dismissal is at 11:30 AM, and Grades K – 5 will dismiss at 11:45 AM.**

Following is the information that we currently have regarding end of day dismissal transportation:

Brockport – Will transport on all of our scheduled ½ days

Churchville Chili – Will NOT transport on any of our scheduled ½ days

Gates Chili – Will NOT transport on any remaining ½ days

Greece (Ontario Transportation) – Will transport on all of our scheduled ½ days

Hilton – Will transport on all of our scheduled ½ days

LeRoy – Will transport on all of our scheduled ½ days

Spencerport – Will transport on all of our scheduled ½ days

Wheatland Chili – Will NOT transport on any of our scheduled ½ days

**St. Pius Tenth School ½ days this school year are November 10, 2022; December 22, 2022; February 17, 2023; March 17, 2023.**

**Please be sure that your student's dismissal change for the ½ day is entered in the PickUp Patrol app.**

Please mark your calendars and join us on Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at a special 12:00 PM Mass at St. Pius X Church for the **5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the dedication of our church**. Bishop Matano will preside, and there will be a St. Joseph's Table following the Mass.

April 3 – April 7 is our **Easter/Spring Recess**.

**Save the Date!** The Diocese of Rochester will again be celebrating Catholic Schools Day at Innovative Field (formerly Frontier Field) for a **Rochester Red Wings Game** on June 4, 2023, at 1:05 PM. Tickets will be available only online this year, and the link will be sent when we return from our Easter Recess.

**Have a Blessed and Wonderful Rest of the Week!**

### Physical Education Update

By: Mr. Davis

St. Pius is a truly great community of church and school as you can see on a weekly basis for some and a daily basis for others like myself. I know that an important question stays on people's minds around here, and in this bulletin I have decided to answer the question which is..... "What are these kids doing in physical education these days?" Yes it is time for another PE update!

Let's start with the pre-school kids who have absolutely the best teachers and teaching assistants around. Whenever I am drawing a blank on a student's name they are always quick to say the name and give me the look as if to say "Mr. Davis, it's February! How do you not know all their names by now?!" Great TA's, and I don't know what I would do without them. We are working on hand-eye coordination with the pre schoolers now and doing some throwing and catching activities, as well as just running around because they are 3-4 years old and that's what they do best.

Kindergarteners are doing quite well this year. They bring a lot of positive energy to the gymnasium. We have done a variety of things from scooter races to working on striking with our feet to throwing underhand and overhand recently. When I'm covering a kindergarten lunch I usually bring a big bag of candy to the cafeteria and we trade each other treats. Let me tell you, we have some savvy wheelers and dealers in Kindergarten. They've gotten the better end of several candy trades with ole

Mr. Davis.

First graders have had some great moments in gym this year. They showed great enthusiasm for the Super Bowl, and when the whole school made their picks, first grader Joseph picked the right team with the closest score to the game which earned the class a pizza party later this year. They have played some cooperative games recently and continue to work on coordination.

Our second grade students continue to work on following the directions of a game and demonstrating a lasting stamina, as they begin to get a bit older. They are working hard and staying focused!

Third, Fourth, and Fifth grade just completed a hockey unit. They continue to work on teamwork and showing positive sportsmanship during gameplay. We have also thrown in some ultimate football and kickball on certain special days because those are some class favorites.

We certainly do have a great group of students in the building!

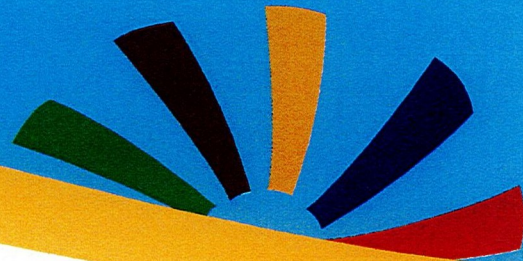
Cheers and God Bless,  
Tim Davis





# St. Pius X School

## Lent Service Project



We are also collecting items for the House of Mercy to support community service too. The House of Mercy is a homeless shelter that provides hope, healing, and love for the poorest of the poor in our community. They are always in need of the following items (all sizes):

- New Socks/Underwear (Men's and Women's)
- Winter hats, gloves, boots
- Personal Care items: Shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, blankets, towels, etc.
- Unisex sweat pants
- Short and long sleeved T-shirts

Please bring in any items that you want to donate. We will have collection boxes at the school.

Check out their website for more details: <https://houseofmercyrochester.org/wish-list/>.





# BOX TOPICS

MARCH  
2023

*Easy ways to make a difference for your school.*

## Lucky Charms LUCKY #7 SWEEPS

**7 SCHOOLS WILL WIN**

Feeling lucky? Scan your receipts from  
3/1 through 3/30 for a chance to win  
**1,000 BONUS BOX TOPS**  
for your school!

See [btfe.com](https://btfe.com) for official rules.

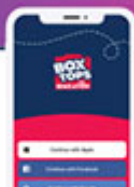
## OUR FAMILY JUST KEEPS GROWING

Now there are even more tasty  
ways to earn for your school!



This month, we're adding 5 new participating products from brands your family knows and loves, like Old El Paso, Reese's, and Cinnamon Toast Crunch.

Scan your receipt within 14 days of purchase to earn cash for your school with every participating product you buy.



**GET THE BOX TOPS APP AND START EARNING FOR YOUR SCHOOL TODAY!**



# Seton Summer Program

REGISTER BY MARCH 3RD FOR A  
10% DISCOUNT ON 1 WEEK!!

## DAILY FEATURES INCLUDE:

- Creative Arts
- Academics with our certified teachers
- Recreation with our Athletic Director, Mr. D



Weekly Sessions from  
July 10th - August 18th  
9am - 3pm



at Seton Catholic School  
165 Rhinecliff Drive, Rochester, NY 14618

\*\* FOR STUDENTS ENTERING K-6th \*\*

To register please email us:  
[setondcs@dor.org](mailto:setondcs@dor.org)





## FAMILY CAMP 2023

*Connect Offline and In Person*



## SUMMER 2023 DATES

**WEEK 1: JULY 9-14**

**WEEK 2: JULY 16-21**

**WEEK 3: JULY 23-28**

**WEEK 4: JULY 30-AUG 4**

Family Camp, near Naples, NY, has all the fun of summer camp - plus an enriching Catholic faith based family retreat. Staff makes it easy for parents and families to relax and have fun! We provide three meals a day, lodging, help with the kids, pool time and family-friendly activities! Come and make new friends that share your love of family, faith, and fun!

Contact us about rentals too!

[www.CampKoinoniaNY.org](http://www.CampKoinoniaNY.org)

