

ST. ANTHONY COUGAR CONNECTION

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OUR WORD OF THE WEEK FROM THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW IS “forfeit”

In St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians chapter 4 verse 32, he says, “Be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ.”

What do these words mean to us as followers of Jesus? These words tell us what it means to be Christian, and how God calls us to “Live by the Spirit” so as to grow His Kingdom on earth and live holier, happier lives. This school year, we will spend time focusing on the Sunday Gospel readings and what they tell us about how we can “Live by the Spirit” each and every day.

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Anthony Catholic School accepts the responsibility, along with the parents, to educate students spiritually, morally, and academically in a safe & caring Christian atmosphere. Each individual is assured academic achievement and develops social and emotional growth while embracing the gospel message of Jesus Christ.

VISION STATEMENT

St. Anthony Catholic School's vision is to work together as a team composed of students, parents, teachers and staff in a positive manner to build strong, spiritual children who give witness to their faith.

PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION (PTO) – Our PTO organization has its first meeting for the new school year on Wednesday, August 26th at 6PM BEFORE Parent Information Night. Meetings will usually be held the third Tuesday of every month throughout the school year. Please join us on Wednesday, August 26th for the first meeting of the school year as we discuss what’s ahead!

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT - Parent Information Night will be held on Thursday, August 26th at 6:45 PM. This is a night for parents to learn about school and classroom procedures and routines. The gathering will begin in the cafeteria and then parents may visit classrooms if they wish. There will be translators here for this meeting to help in communicating with our Latino families.

THE ANNUAL WORLD’S FINEST CHOCOLATE SALE – Starting this Wednesday, students will be asked to start selling World’s Finest Chocolate bars. This is a very important fundraiser and one of the biggest fundraisers of the year, thanks to all of you. These funds greatly help our school. The school will earn 50% of the profit when 100 boxes or more are sold, and some prizes/incentives will be awarded.

THERE HAS BEEN A CHANGE FOR THIS UPCOMING SALE. NOW THERE ARE 40 CHOCOLATE BARS IN A BOX AND EACH BAR COSTS \$2. SO A COMPLETE BOX IS NOW WORTH \$80. Incentives will be shared with the students this week.

FAMILY FEE – If you have not already done so, please be sure to pay the \$50 family fee as soon as possible.

COMMUNICATION – This school year, the Diocesan schools will no longer be using Sycamore. The new system is FACTS – information on how to log into the portal will be sent home soon.

DISMISSAL – Please be sure to arrive at school to pick up your students on time in your designated area. Traffic tends to become a problem if cars arrive once dismissal has occurred. Students line up in the school based on the area they will be dismissed to. The County bus will begin tomorrow and should depart BEFORE any cars leave the parking lot. If you have questions, please contact the office.

IMPORTANT NEW YEAR PAPERWORK – An envelope with 2026/2027 school paperwork can be picked up at parent night or will be sent home with students on Thursday. Please return the envelopes as soon as possible.

PE SHIRTS – A few extra shirts are available for \$10 each – contact the office if you would like to purchase one. The shirts only came in S, M, L, XL for youth and adults.

FUN OFFERINGS IN THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KY – Covington Parks & Recreation is inviting local students to get active and build new skills this fall through two youth programs: the Youth Soccer League and the E-Gaming Club.

The **Youth Soccer League** is open to **students in kindergarten through fourth grade** and will run **from Sept. 13 through Oct. 18**. Games will be played on **Sundays**, with the location and practice days to be determined.

The league will provide young players with an opportunity to learn and enjoy the game of soccer in a fun environment.

The **E-Gaming Club** is an after-school esports program open to all **students in sixth through eighth grade**. The program will meet **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 to 5 p.m.**, from **Sept. 15 through Nov. 5**, at the **Boys & Girls Club, 30 W. 26th St.**

The E-Gaming Club is designed to allow students to experience organized gaming in a structured and supervised environment while developing skills in teamwork, communication, strategy, leadership and sportsmanship.

Students participating in the E-Gaming Club do not have to be members of the Boys & Girls Club.

Registration for both programs is available through the Covington Parks & Recreation registration website at covparks.recdesk.com.

Families are encouraged to register early and take advantage of these opportunities this fall.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- *There are no water fountains available in the building. Water refilling stations are available. Each student should bring their own water bottle.*
- *School begins at 7:30am. It is beneficial for students to arrive a little early to prepare for their day so they are not rushing or catching up first thing.*

UPCOMING DATES

- **September 4th & 5th** – St. Anthony Parish Latino Festival
- **September 7th** – No School – Labor Day

WEEKLY LUNCH MENU

- *Tuesday – Chicken Patty Sandwich*
- *Wednesday – Chili Spaghetti*
- *Thursday – Chicken Nuggets*
- *Friday – Pizza Crunchers*
- *Monday – Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza*