

Cougar Tracks

2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR

EDITION 3—AUGUST 30, 2017

ST. CYRIL STUDENTS CAN HELP- EVERYONE CAN HELP!

We would love to help the state of Texas and Louisiana by collecting items that all families in these devastated areas could use. These items include:

- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Toothbrushes/Mouthwash/Toothpaste
- Baby Wipes
- Diapers
- Baby Formula
- Bottles/Sippy Cups
- Deodorant
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Bar Soap
- Razors/Shaving Cream
- Combs/Hairbrushes
- Handsanitizers
- Small First Aid Kits
- Cloth and Paper Towels
- Sheets/Pillows
- Mops/Brooms
- Work Gloves
- Flashlights
- Garbage Bags
- Buckets
- Cleaning Supplies
- Bleach



Items will be delivered to World Care next Wednesday since they are sending a big semi truck of supplies to the shelters. So, please bring in needed items to the school office. We will fill the room if we can!

Also, if you are interested in making a monetary donation, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) president, Cardinal Daniel N. DiNardo of Galveston-Houston, has called for prayers and solidarity with those impacted by the storm. The USCCB is working closely with affected local dioceses (in Texas: Corpus Christi, Victoria, Galveston-Houston, and Beaumont; in Louisiana: Lake Charles), Catholic Charities USA and the St. Vincent de Paul Society, along with other relief organizations, to assess the needs on the ground. Donations can be given to our church through a special collection and can also be made through Catholic Charities USA.



Preparing our students spiritually, academically & socially to take personal responsibility for a lifetime of faith, learning, leadership & service.

Calendar Reminders:

Thursday, Aug. 31	Sports Meeting 5 pm in Nicholson Hall
Monday, Sept. 4	Labor Day, No School
Wednesday, Sept. 6	Donations for TX and LA turn in date
Friday, Sept. 8	Fall Ice Cream Social 5-7 pm on the Ramada

Fruit of the Month:
(Fruit of the Spirit)
August: Faithfulness



Word of the Week:
forfeit

What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life?
Matthew 16:26



SAVE THE DATE!

Ice Cream Social on Friday, Sept. 8th. Free ice cream and entertainment for all families. Food available for purchase. See you then!

COUGAR ATHLETICS



First Season Sports meeting will be on August 31, in Nicholson Hall at 5:00 pm. It is required to have a parent or guardian come to the meeting. We talk about the season, games, uniforms, and expectations of the athletes. Schedules will also be handed out at the meeting. If you're unable to make it, please talk to Coach Schwab! Let's get ready for a great first season! Go Cougars!

Sportsmanship is contagious, let's have an epidemic!

PLAYTGA

The office has had some questions about PlayTGA. PlayTGA is a new to St. Cyril program for after school extra-curricular sporting activities. Sports programs are held on St. Cyril campus after school. You can contact Mike at 520-355-7933 or email him at mowens@playtga.com for more information. You also can go to the website PlayTGA.com/Tucson to register. Programs are available to K-4 on Monday through Thursday and K-8 on Fridays.

PARENTSWEB DIRECTORY INFORMATION

Directory information will be available through ParentsWeb as soon as all families respond to the hot pink document in your Cougar Express. If you have changes to your family information, please let us know. If we have not heard from you by September 7th, we will assume you want ALL information to appear.

BENEFIT MOBILE

The office has heard mostly positive reviews about Benefit Mobile. However, there have been some questions. If you have specific questions, please let Martha in the office know. Remember that using SCRIP or Benefit Mobile is your choice. The SCRIP program through the office still works the same as in years past. There is additional tuition you can pay if you do not want to participate in the SCRIP or Benefit Mobile programs.

Some of the general questions have been about the fees being lower for credit card users, and the security of entering in your personal banking information. Benefit Mobile was contacted about these concerns and this is what they said: "The rebates are lower for customers paying with a credit card due to fees passed to us from Visa, Mastercard, Discover, and American Express. We understand the concern in today's digital world, and Benefit takes security very seriously. When you enter payment information into the app, it is not stored on the phone or on our servers. We encrypt the information and send it to our payment processor for safe keeping. Benefit does not have access to the information itself, and if your phone was stolen or lost, no one would be able to get payment info from the phone. If Benefit was hacked, no payment information would be lost. In addition, the customer has the ability to set a lock pin on their account as an extra layer of protection. Our privacy policy is listed on our website at benefit-mobile.com as well as in the app itself. Over 80% of our customers use a bank account rather than a credit card. Reassure them that safety is our utmost priority, and have them direct questions to support@benefit-mobile.com if they have specific questions."

Because of the fees passed on to credit card users, St. Cyril School cannot pass on any "credit" for SCRIP commitments to those using credit cards to pay for their Benefit Mobile purchases. There is no one using Benefit Mobile to benefit St. Cyril who currently is using a credit card. If you have questions, please direct them to Martha in the office. SCRIP and Benefit Mobile are supposed to offset tuition, and if we are not getting a rebate, then it cannot lower tuition. Thank you for understanding.

Prayer of the Week

Father of Light and Wisdom, thank you for giving me a mind that can know and a heart that can love.

Help me to keep learning every day of my life-- no matter what the subject may be. Let me be convinced that all knowledge leads to you and let me know how to find you and love you in all the things you have made.

Encourage me when the studies are difficult and when I am tempted to give up. Enlighten me when my brain is slow and help me to grasp the truth held out to me.

Grant me the grace to put my knowledge to use in building the kingdom of God on earth so that I may enter the kingdom of God in heaven. Amen.

Anonymous-as found on <http://www.beliefnet.com/prayers/catholic/other/prayer-for-students.aspx>

