

# Vineyard News

# November 2007

## Vineyard's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Community Mixer!

**Join us** Saturday, November 17 at St. Ann's from 9-4. There will be a blend of favorite at-home parties, Southern Living, Tatiana's Teas, Mary Kay, Pampered Chef, and many more! We also have crafters

showing their talents. We are still looking for vendor's/crafter's. If you know of anyone who is interested, let Bambi know.

Tell your friends—Come support Vineyard☺

## Dates to Remember

Wednesday, October 31	All Saints Party 1:00 p.m. at school Trick or Treat in the Park at 5:30 All Saint's Celebration at St. Ann's—a family event.
Thursday, November 1	All Saints' Day Mass at St. Ann's 8:00 a.m.
Friday, November 2	St. Ann's Day
Monday, November 5	No School- Conferences 9-1 a.m./2-5 p.m.
Tuesday, November 6	No School- Conferences 12-3 p.m.
Friday, November 16	St. Ann's Day
Wednesday, November 21	Thanksgiving Feast at St. Ann's Prayer service 10:15
Thur/Fri, November 22-23	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> Thanksgiving Break
Friday, November 30	<b>TENTATIVE</b> date for Picture Retakes

Every Wednesday morning gather for prayer after drop-off.

SCRIP orders 15<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> of the month; or, online. Call Julianne Downes for information.

Last Wednesday of each month:

“Fundraising Booth”

- ◆ SCRIP
- ◆ Pop Cans & Box Tops
- ◆ before and after school

“Gather & Gab”

- ◆ All Seasons Deli in Richland after morning drop off



**Deadline for December Newsletter is Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup>**

## K4J Project

Our K4Jers are going to show our school's GENEROSITY in November by collecting food for the poor. They will demonstrate their individual generosity by purchasing food from the K4J store with the Generous Genius Gems they receive throughout the month.

If you would like to donate non-perishable items to help fill Thanksgiving baskets, donations will be gratefully accepted. Please have donations in by Thursday, November 15.



## Missing Something?

STAFF AND FAMILIES:

Many dishes were left at St. Mary's. If you are missing any of your serving dishes, they may be there.



We would like to welcome **Luke Hulsebus** and his parents, **John and Olga**, to Vineyard Academy. Luke has been enrolled in our Kindergarten program. You'll recognize Luke instantly—he's the one with the big grin on his face! Glad to have you, Luke!



K4J  
Korner

This month's virtue is GENEROSITY. We share what belongs to us with others because we love them.

*Mission of the Month:*

The Generous Genius Mission

**Pre-K4J** are given a Generous Genius Jiggle Cube that they put together in class to help them learn about the Church year and how we use our talents to celebrate it..

**Friends & Apostles** will assemble in class a Church Year Wheel designed to help them learn the Liturgical Year of the Church and practice using their talents to celebrate the Church year at home.

*Objectives:* To teach kids...

- \* That God has given us all special gifts, called Talents
- \* God wants us to use our talents to serve others and His Church
- \* Our homes are special places where we can use our talents to celebrate the life of Jesus, His saints, and His Church when we celebrate church year feasts in the home.

*Classroom Mission:*

Kids are GENEROUS with their talents for the Church in the classroom and are motivated to continue living this mission at home!

*Holy Hero of the Month:*

St. Francis of Assisi

## PACK News

We had a whopping success with our Cinnamon Roll Bake Sale despite not being able to use St. Ann's Kitchen. big thank-you to **Erica Onderlinde** for purchasing ingredients, providing her kitchen, and baking all day; also, to **Sandra Sherwood** whose kitchen was also converted to baking central.

Thanks to our bakers:

<b>Alane Fifelski</b>	<b>Amy Davanaugh</b>	<b>Bonnie (Erica's mom)</b>	<b>Terri Scott</b>
<b>Brenda Kaczanowski</b>	<b>Lisa Gabele</b>	<b>Phuong To</b>	
<b>Kathleen Trist</b>	<b>Rosemary (Lisa's mom)</b>	<b>Geri Crooksten</b>	

Thanks to **Michelle Perkins** for all her advice and documentation from previous years.

Thanks to:

- **Tim Rayman** for scouting prices
- **Our teachers and staff** for pre-measuring ingredients

Thanks to our sellers:

<b>Mindy Kulasa</b>	<b>Dan Kaczanowski</b>	<b>Kathleen Trist</b>	<b>Amy Kavanaugh</b>
<b>Julianne Downes</b>	<b>Sandra Sherwood</b>	<b>Alane Fifelski</b>	

All of your help made this fundraiser a huge success. We couldn't have done it without each one of you. We sold approximately 160 pans of rolls for a profit of \$1300!



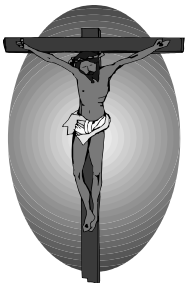
### Field Trip News

**The 3rd and 4th** graders will tour the Kalamazoo Gazette on Wednesday, November 7. We'll see the presses printing the papers and find out what gets recycled.

They will leave Vineyard at 10:00.

The tour is from 10:30-11:30 and they will be back to school approximately at 12:00.

Please send a note to Mrs. Westrick if you can be one of our drivers.



### **Please note**

there is a prayer request list in the office. Help us pray for those in need.

**NOV 7**

Need to check to see if the SCRIP you want is even offered? Check the parent board in the office.



To our dear Vineyard family,

We can not express in words how much you all mean to us. We're so very grateful for all the love, support, Masses, cards, prayers and words of kindness you have given to our family. One never expects to be handed such a heavy cross to bear, but as you all know, Our Blessed Lord is in control and it is only through our sharing in His passion that we draw close to His Most Sacred and Merciful Heart.

May God bless all of you abundantly and please remember to keep us, as well as the soul of our precious son and brother, Adam, in your prayers.

All for the Sacred and Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, all through the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, all in union with St. Joseph.

With our sincere gratitude and love,

Larry and Marijo Forrester and family

### Annual Thanksgiving Feast

Our annual Thanksgiving Feast is Wednesday, November 21 at St. Ann's. Students report to the social hall after Mass. The Prayer Service begins at 10:15 followed by a small presentation by each class.

Our feast begins at 11:00. Please bring a family favorite dish to pass. **Because of our allergies, dishes need to be peanut and tree nut free.** Dishes will need to have an ingredient card, especially those dishes with egg, fish, or bean. Dismissal is after you're done feasting!



Richland's Annual Wassailing Night continues again this year. Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-8:00,

Vineyard Academy will be hosting St. Nicholas in the Community Hall to visit and have pictures taken with kids and adults. Those students who would like to participate will sing carols with the crowd.

This event is always a lot of fun, but we need your help to make it a success.

There will be a sign-up list in the office for Wassailing Night.

We are looking for:

- \* 4-5 people to set up the day before
- \* 4 people working 1 hour shifts making popcorn and serving cider
- \* 4 people greeting guests on 1 hour shifts
- \* 3 people helping with pictures, collecting money, etc...
- \* 3-4 people to help clean up

## Advent Devotion



For our Advent devotion and to practice heroic generosity we will begin a "Pennies from Heaven" Campaign. Students earn pennies from home to fill their classroom jars.

Our campaign will begin November 29. and run at least until Christmas Break. The pennies will then be collected and totaled up. The students will pick out farm animals to be sent through Heifer International to third world countries. Heifer International is an organization started in 1944 to provide long-term solutions to hunger and poverty.

I encourage you to visit <http://www.heifer.org> to read more about this awesome program.

## CONFERENCES

**There is no school Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> for conferences. You should have already received your request schedule. We're doing our best to give you one of the times you requested. Remember, if you would like to talk to Mr. Austin or Mr. Kaczanowski, make sure you note that on your request schedule.**

**Call the office if you do not receive a specific time for a conference.**