

# ECHOES OF ANGELS

Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ...

## School Store

The first school store will take place Friday, Oct 19. Forms will be sent home shortly with more information.

## Luigi's Night

Come out and support our athletes at this year's sports night at Luigi's. Doors open at 5:30 tonight and dinner will be served until 8:00. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$4 for children 12 and under, and \$20 for a family of 5. Laser tag and game room tickets can also be purchased. Tickets are available at the door.

## Run for Charity

The Knights of Columbus will hold their second 5K Mark Bancroft Run for Charity on Saturday, October 6. For further information, please contact either Phil Brink at 630-947-9489 ([ptbrink@att.net](mailto:ptbrink@att.net)) or Rick March at 708-466-2593 ([richardmarch2@aol.com](mailto:richardmarch2@aol.com)). The registration link is <https://www.raceentry.com/races/markbancroft-memorial-runwalk/2018/register>.



## Socktober!

5th grade is learning about the Corporal Acts of Mercy. To enhance their study they are sponsoring a month long collection of new socks to be donated to Hesus House. Students will be making posters to place throughout the school encouraging all students and teachers to participate. They will be tracking donations from each class and collecting them on a weekly basis. At the end of the month, they will tally the amount of socks collected in each class and announce the *Class with the Most Heart for Others*. Please help support their efforts by sending in new socks for Socktober.

## Family Bingo Night

The Home & School Association is kindly asking for donations of





## Happy Columbus Day

### Go Cadets!

All 5th-8th grade boys are invited to Marmion Academy's home football game on Friday October 19, 2018. The game will take place on Fichtel Field, located at 1000 Butterfield Road in Aurora, with the sophomore game beginning at 5:00 PM and varsity at 7:30 PM. FREE admission, hot dog, chips and drink for every 5th-8th grade boy with a completed form or online registration. Please visit [marmion.org/games](http://marmion.org/games) <<http://marmion.org/games>> to register online. Come cheer on the Marmion Cadets as they take on the St. Joseph Chargers!!! For additional information, please contact Bill Dickson at 630-897-6936 or [bdickson@marmion.org](mailto:bdickson@marmion.org).

gently used toys, games, and books to use as prizes for FAMILY BINGO NIGHT, which will take place on Friday, October 26. There will be two collection boxes, one by the front office and one by the library entrance. Our BINGO Nights have been successful because of all the great donations we have received. Thank you in advance for supporting our FAMILY BINGO NIGHT. It wouldn't be possible without your help!

## Buddies Not Bullies

We are pleased to announce that Jodee Blanco, an internationally renowned expert on school bullying will be leading a workshop for our teachers, students, and parents. We are partnering with the following area Catholic schools: Annunciation, Holy Cross, St. Rita, and St. Peter in putting this bullying prevention program together. Mrs. Blanco partners with the National Catholic Education Association and is the author for the NCEA's new Anti-bullying Survival Series. Her first title, [A Primer on Bullying Intervention: How to Save a Child in Crisis Using Core Catholic Values as the Catalyst](#) serves as a companion to her faculty workshops.

Please plan to attend the Parent/Family Seminar led by Mrs. Blanco on Wednesday, October 24 at Aurora Central Catholic High School from 6:30 - 8:00 PM.

## Lest We Forget

It has become a tradition at Holy Angels to honor our brave veterans at an all-school assembly. This year we will honor them on Friday, November 9 at 10:00. We would like to also include any pictures of family members who have served in the armed forces in a short video presentation. ALL PICTURES MUST BE IN A DIGITAL FORMAT. Please e-mail [sgurbal@holyangelschool.net](mailto:sgurbal@holyangelschool.net) by November 2 with the family member's name and branch of service so we can include them in the presentation. Unfortunately, we cannot honor late requests. Thank you.

## Full Court Press

The deadline for boy's basketball registration is October 8. Please go online and register at: <https://holyangels.siplay.com>, at your earliest convenience. Should you have any issues registering, or have any questions, please email our athletic director, Paul McCue. If you are interested in coaching, also please email him at: [pmccue@holyangelschool.net](mailto:pmccue@holyangelschool.net)

Tryouts and team selections will be finalized by November 5 depending on the number of student athlete registrations.

## Early Bird Catches the...Ticket!

The early bird catches the worm and the best discount too! For a limited time only, Holy Angels School is offering an early bird discount for advance Seraphim Ball ticket purchases made during the month of October. The Seraphim Ball is the school's largest fundraising event. Student parents, educators, parishioners, and parish friends will enjoy an elegant evening - complete with dinner, dancing, cash raffles, live and silent auctions, and an open premium bar - all while supporting Holy Angels School. Tickets are regular \$100 per person but can be purchased through October for \$75 - a \$25 savings per person! The promotion will run from October 1 through 31, 2018. Standard tickets prices will apply after October, so purchase your tickets now while you still can at this reduced rate. To purchase tickets, visit <https://aesbid.com/ELP/SERAPHIM19/> or contact Cathy Medernach at 630-241-2284 or sandcat86@yahoo.com. We hope you'll take part in this fun-filled celebration of the Holy Angel's community.

### Next Week at a Glance

Monday - No School

Tuesday - **No Bus Service**

Wednesday -

Thursday -

Friday - Mass 8:15

## Bringing Home the Faith

### Saint Francis of Assisi Feast Day October 4

The popular image of St. Francis of Assisi is warped with romantic notions. Many see him as a sweet simpleton who picked flowers and talked with animals. Francis was gentle and loved God's creation, but he was not naive. Just the opposite. As a youth he went to war eagerly, patiently endured imprisonment and illnesses, embraced Lady Poverty as his bride, and gave up everything to follow Christ. The real St. Francis of Assisi was a courageous spiritual warrior.

Francis's vocation cost him dearly. Decision by decision he stripped himself of attachments so as to be more like Jesus. Once en route to a war in southern Italy, Francis heard a divine voice invite him to stop serving the servant and dedicate himself to the master. He responded by committing himself to live for God alone. In his early twenties Francis decided to become like the poor he met in Assisi's back streets and took "Lady Poverty" as his bride. Then one day when Francis was praying in the dilapidated church of St. Damian, he heard a voice from the crucifix say, "Go and repair my church." At first Francis literally worked to fix the building, but later understood that his real call was to renew people spiritually. From that day Francis devoted himself to Christ crucified. Francis's father took him to the bishop's court, demanding that his son repay the money he had used to repair St. Damian's church building. The saint submitted, but then stripped naked, returning his clothes to his father as a sign that he forsook his family and his inheritance.

Then Francis began his itinerant ministry in central Italy, attracting young followers as he went. Once in 1209 at Mass he heard the gospel about Jesus sending his disciples to preach, to heal, and to do spiritual warfare.

He took it literally as a life pattern for him and his band of men (see Matthew 10:7–10). In 1210, Francis got formal approval for his community of Friars Minor from Pope Innocent III, and by 1221 he had hundreds of brothers and had established friaries all over Europe. In 1224 at his retreat on Mount Alvernia, Francis had a vision of a seraph, a great angel, nailed to a cross. As he watched, Francis himself received the stigmata. Replicas of the Savior's wounds appeared in his hands and side, acknowledging the saint's intimacy with Christ. The movement Francis launched has reverberated through the centuries, touching millions of souls. He died in 1226. (Loyola Press)

*Mass Times: Saturdays 4:30*  
*Sundays 6:45, 8:00 (Extraordinary Form, Latin, 1st & 3rd Sundays), 9:30, 11:00*

*Confession Times: Sunday after 9:30 Mass*  
*Tuesday after 8:00 Mass*  
*Wednesday 6:30 PM - 7:00 PM*  
*Friday after 6:30 AM Mass*  
*Saturday after 8:15 Mass and 3:15 PM - 4:00 PM*

### **Mission Statement**

Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, Holy Angels School is committed to spiritual formation, which nurtures the Catholic faith and inspires its practice. It is committed to academic excellence, which fosters the growth of each individual. Holy Angels School strives to meet the intellectual, social, and ethical challenges of living in a technological, global, and culturally diverse society.