



# ECC News

September/October

## September

9/19 Vision Screening for Pre-K Students  
9/25 4 year old Parent Meeting 9:05-9:30  
9/26 Pre K Speech/Hearing Screening

## October

10/1 & 4 Pet Days  
10/2 & 3 Pre K Individual Photos  
10/4 St. Francis of Assisi and we will have the Blessing of the Animals  
10/10 & 11 Fire Truck  
10/11 Jason Honeycutt Presentation  
10/12 CCISD Early 11:30 Dismissal -  
10/15 NO school day - CCISD Teacher In-service Day  
10/17 & 18 Halloween Carnival Planning Meeting 9:15 am Mini Hall  
10/18 Pre K 4s Pumpkin Patch Field Trip  
10/28 St. B's Parish Picnic  
10/31 Pre K Halloween Carnival

**More Details to come on October events.**

## Reminders:

- Remember your ECC ID Card
- Do not park in Red Marked Fire Lanes
- If you wish to volunteer, you must be Virtus trained. [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org)
- If you have new or additional contact information or any change of address or phone numbers, please let us know.
- Lock your car and bring your valuables with you every time!



## Ding - Dong

Remember during school hours, please come to the El Camino Real door and ring the door-bell. For your convenience, you no longer have to go to the Main Church office.



**The Blessings of the Animals:** - October 4 is the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi who was born in the 12<sup>th</sup> century and is the Catholic Church's patron saint of animals and the environment. It is a popular day for pets to be "blessed". **ALL Pre-K parents** are invited to bring their pet on October 4<sup>th</sup> to be blessed. Father will be us about 9am in the "circle parking lot" by the Mary statue.

## Pet Days Oct 1<sup>st</sup> and Oct 4<sup>th</sup>

All children will go out both days to see the pets. On your child's "Pet Day", **Pre-K parents** may bring their child's pet to school. **\*NOTE: Please be sure pets are up to date with vaccinations.** Pets will meet outside in the Breezeway area by the Brandsma Building. (Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 9am and Oct 4<sup>th</sup> after the blessing.) Please plan on spending the 1½ hours (from 9:00am - 10:30am) with us, so ALL the classes will see ALL the pets. Parents **MUST** stay and attend to their own pets. (Bring a blanket or chair to sit on!) All classes will follow a schedule and the children will come out with their teachers to look, touch and visit. To help us plan for "Pet Day" on Oct 1 and Oct 4, your teacher will post a sign-up sheet. Hope you can come and share with us. We're looking forward to seeing you and your birds, cats, gerbils, bunnies, hamsters, dogs, turtles...

## Pet Days Oct 1<sup>st</sup> and Oct 4<sup>th</sup>

### 1s and 2s

Please bring pictures of pets to school!  
**(We ask that 1s and 2s NOT bring pets for the Blessing of the Pets or for Pet Day as many of the younger ones get upset when seeing their parents.)**

### Pre K 3s and 4s

On Mon, Oct 1 - Mrs. French, Wrobleski, Armstrong, McCabe (MWF), Olguin & Auger's classes bring pets to school.  
On Thurs, Oct 4 - Mrs. Lenz, McCabe (TTh) & Maas' classes bring pets

**VIRTUS - Non-denominational Abuse Awareness Class - Parent Education**

The Arch-Diocese of Galveston-Houston requires all employees and volunteers with children to attend a "Protecting God's Children" Class. This FREE 3 hour class educates adults about the danger of abuse, the warning signs of abuse, 5 steps to prevent abuse, methods and means by which offenders commit abuse, the method to report suspicions of abuse, and responses to allegations of abuse. For more information or to register for a class go to: [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) click on registration, select Arch-Diocese Galveston Houston. Thank you for your participation.

**CLASS OPENINGS**

We have some openings in our PreK 3 and 4 year old classes and 1 and 2 year old classes. If you know of anyone who is looking for a school for their child, please send them our way! YOU are our best reference and resource - please let interested friends and relatives know!

**ADD A DAY**

IF you are in our 1 or 2 year old classes and would like to add a 3<sup>rd</sup> day we may be able to accommodate you. There is limited availability. Choosing to come a 3<sup>rd</sup> day each week would be a permanent weekly addition and would be an increase in your monthly tuition. Please let the office know ASAP if you want to add a 3<sup>rd</sup> day.

**Director of Adult Faith Formation**

Oct 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 Jason Honeycutt Director of Adult Faith Formation will come to ECC to talk to parents about Adult Faith Formation and what St. B's offers for all adults and a little more. Jason is an engaging speaker with much knowledge. You don't want to miss an opportunity to hear what is has to share.

**Pre K 4s Parent Meeting**

Teachers will share tips and strategies for parents to help their children at home with skills happening in the classroom. We want to ensure that these kiddos are Kindergarten ready!  
**Tuesday, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> Mini Hall 9:05-9:30**

**Going On Around the St. Bernadette**

*Adult Faith Formation Opportunities  
2018-2019*

**Rich Tarantino:** Sundays, 8:30 am in the Brandsma Building Room 203  
**Men's Bible Study:** Mondays, 9:00 am in the Brandsma Building Room 2013  
**Adult Scripture & Theology Studies:** Tuesdays, 10:00 am or 7:00 pm in the Marius Room  
**Rich Tarantino:** Tuesdays: 7:30 pm in the Brandsma Building Room 203  
**Sunday-to-Sunday Scripture Study:** Wednesdays, 9:30 am in the Brandsma Building Room 203  
**Faith and Fitness for Moms:** Fridays, 9:30 am in the Gym  
  
**Adult Faith Formation:** Jason Honeycutt, ext. 315, honeycuttj@stbchurch.org

*Spiritual Life Opportunities  
2018-2019*

**Christian Meditation:** Tuesday mornings, 9:15 am, Brandsma Building, Room 214  
**Charismatic Prayer Group:** twice a month, Sunday afternoon, 1:30 pm, Administration building, Mini-Hall (see the website calendar for dates)  
**Women's Book Study:** Mondays, 10:00 am or 7:00 pm, Brandsma Building, Room 214  
**ACTS Men's Retreat:** October 18-21, 2018 "Do Not Be Afraid, Just Have Faith" (Mk 5:36)  
**ACTS Women's Retreat:** February 21-24, 2019, "Be Merciful Just as Your Father is Merciful" (Lk 6:36)  
  
**Spiritual Life:** Chris Twardowski, ext. 317, [twardowskic@stbchurch.org](mailto:twardowskic@stbchurch.org)

*Christian Action*

*Clothing needs:  
MUST BE NEW*

Men's Short Sleeve Undershirts 32-38, Briefs size 32 & 34, and low cut socks size 6-12, Boys' Underwear Size 6-12, Girls' sock age 6-12 mos & toddler size 3-5, girls size 6-8 ½, Ladies Briefs Size 8

*Food Pantry Needs*

Vegetable Oil (Small size), SPAM, Hamburger Helper, Vienna Sausage, Snacks-Individually wrapped, Shaving Cream, Sealed Deodorant, Spray cleaner w/o bleach, Dish soap, Laundry soap

*October Needs:*

Similac Formula Both With iron and without Iron

*Donations will be collected by the School Hallway Office*

Galatians 5:22-23: But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such there is no law.

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