Dear Parents and Guardians:

 In observance of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, we will have a Blessing of our Pets at school**! Fr. Arnout will be blessing our pets (real or stuffed) at the parking lot of the Slatington Campus on Tuesday, Oct. 2nd at 2:00 P.M. for students in grades K-2.**  The parishioners of ABVM will also be invited to bring their pets to this special blessing.

 **On Friday, Oct. 4th, Deacon Girard will be blessing the pets of our school families in grades 3-8 in the Sacred Heart Church parking lot at 2:00 P.M.**  The Parish family will also be invited to join us.

 Please make sure that all dogs are kept on a leash and all other pets are in a crate, carrier, bowl, etc. No animal will be allowed to run free. If you are not able to join us for this blessing, your child may bring a favorite stuffed animal to be blessed. If your son or daughter is allergic to animals, you may want to administer medication before school or when you join us that afternoon.

Please return the bottom portion to your child’s teacher by Friday, Sept. 27th

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My child will be bringing our live pet\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ which is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, to school on Oct. 2nd or Oct. 4th. *(Please circle which date.)* I understand that our pet will be on a leash or in a crate for the safety of all students.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_My child will be bringing a stuffed animal to be blessed.

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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