

Campus Connection

Your weekly connection to the **Waukesha Catholic** School System

www.wcssonline.org

The weekly Campus Connection is on line each week on the Waukesha Catholic website at www.wcssonline.org/NewsLetter.aspx.

Second Quarter Ends

The last day of 2nd Quarter is Friday, January 22nd. This will be an early dismissal day. St. Joseph will dismiss at 11:25 a.m. St. Mary and St. William will dismiss at 11:30 a.m.

Report Cards

Report cards will be sent home on Friday, January 29th.

Catholic Schools Week

Catholic Schools Week will be held January 31st – February 6th. Each campus will have student activities this week.

- Waukesha Catholic will celebrate Catholic Schools Week at each Waukesha Parish on the weekend of January 30th and 31st.
- The students will come together for an all-school Mass on Thursday, February 4th.
- Thursday, February 4th will also be an early dismissal day to allow for conferences in the afternoon.
- There will be no school on Friday, February 5th.



Auction Gift Card Request

Would you like to donate to the auction but haven't come up with an idea? How about donating some gift cards? The auction committee needs gift cards for the gift card pull on the night of the event. Ideally they would like gift cards valued at \$20 or more but smaller amounts are welcome and will be combined. If you have any questions, please call Richelle Naze at 262-521-1529. Donations can be sent in to any of the campus offices marked, "Attention: Administrative Offices, Gift Card Pull".

Installation of Our New Archbishop

The installation of the Most Reverend Jerome E. ListECKI as Archbishop of Milwaukee will include a series of Liturgical events and celebrations. He will celebrate at St. William Parish, Waukesha on Thursday, January 7, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. This celebration is open to the public.

Waukesha Catholic St. Joseph Middle School

Included in This Week's Campus

February Pea Pod Lunch Order Form/Due Monday, January 11th!

Welcome Back! Be sure to Mark your Calendars with for the following!

January 5, 2010 - Issue # 15

Page 1 of 4

All flyers need to be approved before publishing. Please contact the director or the school principal for approval.

Concert Reminder

This Wednesday, the St. Joe's choir and band will perform their Christmas Concert at Shattuck Auditorium, Carroll University at 7:00 PM. We hope you join us for some sounds of the season.

Students will walk to Carroll for dress rehearsal. Please remind students they should dress for the weather!

Ski Forms Due

Just a reminder if you plan to attend the next ski trip to Alpine Valley forms and fees are due in the school office this Friday, January 8th by Noon! No late forms will be accepted!

January 22 Social will be held in the St. Joe's gym from 7:00 -9:30 PM. \$5.00 at the door.
January 31 Talent Show at Carroll University Ballroom, show time 2:30 PM. Entrance fee is a non-perishable food item per person for the Waukesha Food Pantry.

Waukesha Catholic St. Mary Campus

From Ms. Kovaleski

Father Jim Volkert, pastor of St. Mary Parish, has been asked by the Archdiocese to return to his previous parish St. Mary in Burlington. His last weekend here will be January 9th and 10th. At this time, there are no details on who will replace him or what that timeline will be. Until a new pastor is named we will continue to work with substitute priests for the children's masses. Please keep St. Mary Parish Waukesha and Burlington in your prayers.

The St. Mary Campus community will be collecting monetary donations for Fr. Jim beginning January 4th. Please address any donation to "School Office – Father Jim". We will give his gift to him on Friday, January 8th.

Hot Lunch Forms Are Due!

Don't forget to send in your child's February hot lunch form. They are due January 11th!

Six Flags Read to Succeed

A form for every K5 through 6th grader for the *Read to Succeed* program was sent home on December 22nd. Students can earn a free ticket to Six Flags Great America by reading a total of 6 hours. Students should record the minutes/hours they read on the enclosed forms. Once the six hours are completed, an adult must sign the form and return it to the office. Please read over the instruction sheet and keep track of your child's reading. The form must be returned to the school office **no later than February 19th**. If you have misplaced the form, please contact Annie Smith in the school office. Happy reading!



Health Room Help!

Do you have an hour to spare? If so, please consider spending a bit of time in the school health room. Help is needed between 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. No nursing degree required just a kind heart, ability to put on a band-aid or apply an ice pack. Thank you for your consideration.

January 5, 2010 - Issue # 15

Page 2 of 4

All flyers need to be approved before publishing. Please contact the director or the school principal for approval.



Looking Ahead

Wednesday, January 6: Non-uniform day
 WC Home & School meeting @ SWC, 9:00 a.m.
 St. Joe's Christmas Concert, 7:00 p.m. @ Shattuck Auditorium
 Friday, January 8: School liturgy 9:00 a.m. 2-1
 Monday, January 11: February hot lunch forms are due

In Today's Packet

Waukesha JanBoree brochure

Waukesha Catholic St. William Campus



New student, **Joshua Ferkovich**, has joined grade 2! Welcome to Joshua and his family!

New Year

We begin a New Year, but we are still in the season of Christmas until January 10th (feast of the Baptism of the Lord). It is easy to forget that Christmas is not just one day, but rather a *season* during which we continue to celebrate the gift of Christ's birth. On Sunday, January 3rd, we celebrated the feast of the Epiphany, when tradition tells us the three kings brought gifts to the Christ child.



We can continue to honor the season by blessing our homes for the year. The blessing recalls the visit of the Magi and marks our homes as special "holy" places. The blessing is simple. Gather all the members of the family and pray this prayer: Loving God, as we mark this lintel (doorpost), send the angel of mercy to guard our home and repel the powers of darkness. Fill those of us living here with a love for each other, and warm us with the fullness of your presence and love.

Sprinkle the house with holy water. With chalk, mark the door frame with these symbols—20+K+M+B-10, these letters represent the names of the three kings: Kaspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. The numbers represent the current year.

If anyone needs chalk for this blessing, send a note to your child's teacher, and she will send a piece of chalk home.

Market Day

Pick-up will be Wednesday, January 6th 3:30-4:30 in the gym.

Hot Lunch

Order forms are due by the end of this week- January 7th.

Thank you to Marji Kennedy and Veronica Hernandez for volunteering to serve hot lunch one additional day per month.

Box Top Update

Our December contest has ended. It was an extremely close contest, but the *students* will be the recipients of a tasty dessert. Mrs. Lottes worked really hard at



January 5, 2010 - Issue # 15

Page 3 of 4

All flyers need to be approved before publishing. Please contact the director or the school principal for approval.

keeping it close for the staff, but in the end, the students had 28 ornaments on their tree, and the staff had 27. Thank you to all who turned in Box Tops. We collected over 2500 Box Tops which means the school will receive \$250 in just those 3 weeks of collection! Please continue to collect and turn in Box Tops. In February we will begin an Olympics Themed Box Top challenge.

Before and After Care January 22nd

If anyone wishes to send their child/ren to after care on the early dismissal day, January 22nd, please contact Mrs. Cage or the school office. After care begins at 11:30 dismissal, and is open till 6:00 p.m.

Penny Drive

The January Penny Drive will be collected on Thursday the 21st, and donated to Susan Komen Fund.



Janboree

Brochures are available in the office describing activities for the Waukesha Janboree (Waukesha's winter festival). Pick one up if you are interested.

Included in this packet

Learn Fair forms
YMCA activity for 4th and 5th grade only
C.A.L.L. flyer



Mark Your Calendar

Early dismissal (11:30) on January 22nd
Report cards sent home on January 29th
Frosty Stomp –January 29th 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Learn Fair-February 2nd