

Campus Connection

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

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

Teacher In-Service Day

There will be no school on Friday, February 26th because of a teacher in-service day.

Registration – Family Access

The school personnel send their thanks to the families that went on-line to the Family Access website to register, verify and update the student's information. This process simplifies the updating of data. *Please keep your login and password. These will not change next year.* We encourage you to add your family doctor and dentist for each student. This may be entered at any time.

If you have not been to your student's page in FAMILY ACCESS please log on by going to our website at www.wcssonline.org. The on-line registration is closed but the ability to update information on-line is always available.

Home & School

Join Home & School for games, pizza and fun at Stone Fire Pizza on Friday, February 26th from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. (take note of the change in time). Buffets will be priced at \$5.99 per person and include a \$5 game card for each buffet purchased. Coupons for game cards are also available in the Entertainment Book and Gold C Book. Plus, 10% of all purchases come back to Home and School. What a great way to raise funds and have a little fun at the same time! Mark your calendars and plan to join us!

Scrip

Keep Scrip in mind for your gift giving needs: fish fry Fridays, St. Pat's Day, birthdays or the "hard to buy for" person. Your Scrip purchase profits will benefit our school system and earn you personal tuition credit for the next school year. Set up an account at www.shopwithscrip.com, Waukesha Catholic #8AL3CL461142.



Padre Serra Basketball Tournament

Each year the 8th graders compete in an Archdiocese **Annual Invitational Boy's & Girl's Grade School Basketball Tournament** at the end of the season. This year our 8th grade boys will be playing their first game on Friday, March 12th at 5:30 p.m. against St. Alphonsus of Greendale. Waukesha Catholic 8th grade girls will play Thursday, March 4th at 5:30 p.m. Come out and cheer our teams on to victory, GO KNIGHTS! For more details see the web page at www.thepadreserra.org.

Athletics

Track season begins soon. Coaches are needed for 6th and 8th grade girls. Please contact Tom McElmeel at 262-501-6722 or Jim Mathie at 262-521-1567 if you are willing to help. The need is great. Coaches at any level are still welcome. Check our website www.wcssonline.org- Athletics tab for track information and the upcoming schedule. Students may still sign up for the track season by contacting Tom McElmeel.

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Jr. Crusader Football

Reserve your spot on the 2010 Jr. Crusader football team. Spots are filling and the application deadline is March 1st. This is full contact tackle football for youths entering 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade in the fall of 2010. For information and an application go to our website www.jrcrusader.com. Any questions call Andy Krause 414-406-3474.

Lost & Found Items at Auction

A pair of gold tone, wire rimmed glasses were found outside of the Country Springs Hotel after the auction. A black shawl was also left at the Hotel. To claim them please contact the Administrative office at 896-2929.

Living Our Faith

The Lenten shows will air between February 13th and April 3rd, Holy Saturday. The shows will air on Saturdays at noon on WISN TV Channel 12 and will also be available on Time Warner Cable's Wisconsin On Demand Channel 411. The fifth show this spring will air on SUNDAY, March 14th at 11:00 a.m.

The March 6th "Catholic Knights presents Living Our Faith" episode, hosted by Milwaukee Archbishop Jerome E. Listewski, spotlights Catholic education. It is shown at noon on WISN TV 12.

Are You Considering the Purchase of a Gargantugame?

Many of you saw the Gargantugame that was auctioned off at our auction. It is a full size arcade cabinet that allows you to play hundreds of classic arcade games as well the current computer games. If you are in the market for one please consider purchasing it from "My Computer Guys" 1-888-518-4897. Mention Waukesha Catholic and they will make a donation to our system for each one that is purchased.

The Auction Committee Thanks You!

As usual, the classroom projects were one of the biggest highlights of our auction! Special thanks go out to all of the creative and generous parents who donated their time, resources and talent to produce items that generated some amazing bids. Your support of this important fund raiser is really appreciated.

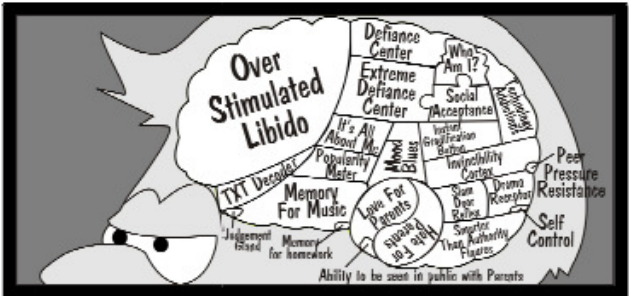
Information Available in the School Office:

- St. Sebastian in Milwaukee has had an after school chess program for 6 years now and the students really enjoy it. They want to introduce students of all grades to a chess tournament in a fun environment at the Marquette University Student Union on Saturday, March 6th.
- CALLING ALL VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS
Coach Casey is bringing her summer volleyball camp for students back to St. William's Gym, Tuesday through Friday, July 6th-9th for all current 3rd-7th grade students. Register early to join in the fun.
QUESTIONS? Call Casey Brand 262-574-1020 or email at coachcasey@sbcglobal.net

"The Teen Years: A Time-Limited Brain Disorder"

A Program for Parents Presented by
Dr. Ken Winters

Director of the Center for Adolescent Substance Abuse, Professor, Department of Psychiatry,
University of Minnesota, National Organization on Effective Treatment for Adolescents




Thursday, March 18


6:15-6:45pm Registration & Hospitality
6:45-8:15pm Presentation with Q & A


Steinhafel's Furniture Community Room

W23 N1013 County F, Waukesha
(At I-94 & Cty F; Enter at front doors)

Reservations are not necessary, but to aid in planning, an RSVP is greatly appreciated.
Please RVSP to: Tracy Mitchell, tmitchel@waukesha.k12.wi.us
Or call 262-524-8677 for more information.







Parents - Hear about:

- New emerging science on adolescent brain development
- Becoming a Parent Preventionist: Insights into why teens think and behave the way they do
- How substances impact normal brain development during the teen years

Waukesha Catholic St. Joseph Middle School

Included in This Week's Packet

March Calendar – St. Joe's
April Pea Pod Order Form **Due: Monday, March 8**
Iowa Basic Testing Schedule **Grade 6 & 7 Only**
Ski Confirmation All Day Trip



Mardi Gras Celebration

Fat Tuesday celebrations at St. Joseph Campus of Waukesha Catholic would not have been possible without the help of many parent /alumni/and coach volunteers.

The day began with a Pancake Breakfast engineered by Mr. John Usher. He was ably helped by Mr. Andy Ruggeri. The menu included pancakes, sausages, butter, syrup, cereal, fruit, juice and milk. Parent volunteers not only provided griddles for our use but also helped serve the breakfast and do the cleanup. We can't thank everyone enough for the great start to our day. Everyone enjoyed the change of pace and ate heartily thanks to the following volunteers: Kim Else, Stephen Weidman, Pete Harford, Maria Lechner, Maribeth Karpinski, Barb Pittz, Wendy Brown, Barb Esser, Joli Krismer, Ann Plier, Mary Norgord, Carol Reske, Janet Schellhase, Terry Schneider, Janet Curtis, & Mr. Cortez. Our apologies to you if you helped and have not been included in our thank you!

A special thank you to Mr. & Mrs. Usher for donating the ingredients for our breakfast, and to Mr. Usher for his time & talent. It was a real treat and would not have been possible without their contribution! Thank You.

Later in the day the 8th grade basketball teams played against their parents, alumni, teachers and coaches. The students won by a healthy margin. A good time was had by all. Thank you to all who participated and especially to Tom McElmeel for his help setting up and refereeing.

Attention Band Students



All Middle School Band students will receive an informational letter regarding Semester II performance dates and specific information about the upcoming Solo/Ensemble Festival, Saturday, March 20. The letter will be distributed to the students in class on Wednesday and will be available on line as well.

Waukesha Catholic St. Mary Campus

Lenten Reflection

Father in heaven, do not let us confine our prayer to words and rituals alone. Open our hearts and inspire our spirits to work and sacrifice for the hopes and dreams we ask of you. May every moment you give us be part of a continuous lifelong prayer of praise to you, you who are the Giver and Sustainer of all life.

Stations of the Cross

During this Lenten season our students will participate in the Stations of the Cross or Rosary on Friday afternoons at 2:45 p.m. in the Church. Please see the school calendar for further details and plan on joining us.

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Iowa Tests of Basic Skills (ITBS)

The students in Grades 3, 4, and 5 will take the ITBS beginning the week of March 1st through March 13th. Please try to make certain your child/ren attend school during this important test time frame. A good night's sleep and breakfast is recommended, especially during test time. Thanks.



A Request from Ms. Kovaleski

Prior to 8:40 a.m., parents must drop off their children in the car line. The school policy states that children must be dropped off behind the school in car line, NOT at the front entrance of school. If circumstances prohibit you from following this policy, please contact Ms. Kovaleski. Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Bingo Night Reminder!

Don't forget about St. Mary's First Annual Family Bingo Night being held on Friday, March 5th from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Community Room. In order for us to have any event we rely on volunteers. At this time, we do not have enough volunteers to run this event, so if you plan on attending, please consider volunteering for this fun family night! If you have any questions or are able to volunteer your time, please contact Kristen Gabel at 408-5722 or email waukeshagabels@juno.com. Thanks for helping make this new family event a huge success!



In Today's Packet

April Hot Lunch order form
March Calendar
"Free" Circus pass
March Market Day order form
Lenten Sharing Box (1 per student)
Catholic Herald "Living Our Faith" Newspaper



Looking Ahead

Friday, February 26th: NO SCHOOL
Monday, March 1st: Iowa Basic testing begins
Wednesday, March 3rd: Non-uniform day
Thursday, March 4th: 2nd grade field trip to Milwaukee Public Museum
Friday, March 5th: 5th grade, Stations of the Cross
Family Bingo Night, 6:30 p.m. Community Room

Waukesha Catholic St. William Campus

Lent

When we consider why we have to get ready for Easter, we have to consider that we are easily distracted by many things. For example, we can get into arguments, contemplate that life is unfair, or simply desire something so much that we forget what is really important. Our acts of prayer, fasting, and charity help us to quiet our lives and hear God's voice. It is important to remember to keep our eyes on God, to notice His great love and charity towards us. Then as we see how God loves us, even though we are not perfect, we can grow to forgive others for their unkind acts.

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Lenten Raffles

During Lent we offer students a chance to purchase raffle tickets for the annual SWC Lenten Raffle. Please send to the office donations of new and gently used stuffed animals or other toys as prizes for this raffle. The students are allowed to buy tickets during lunch recess on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. The K4 and K5 students may purchase raffle tickets at first recess on Friday's. Tickets cost ten cents each or 12 for one dollar. All proceeds are sent to the orphan fund.



Two remote controlled trucks were donated by the Noonan Family to help raise money for the orphans. We have decided to sell raffle tickets for these two items at \$.50 each or 3 for \$1.00!



The St. Joseph Parish Quilters, at the request of Mrs. Dominguez, have donated a quilt for us to raffle as a part of our Lenten raffle program. Quilt raffle tickets will be \$1 or 6 for \$5. The quilt is available in the school office for you to see.

Stations of the Cross

All are invited to celebrate the Stations of the Cross with the school children on March 5th, 12th and 26th at 2:30 in church.

Service Project

The grade 3 and K5 students will sell juice and popcorn on Thursday, February 25th, after first recess. The cost will be \$.50 cents each. This will defray the cost of transportation and bingo prizes for the residents of Linden Grove.



Market Day

Market Day orders are due Wednesday, February 24th, or online by 11 p.m., Saturday, February 27th.

Car Line Dismissal

At the Waukesha Catholic auction, **First in Car Line** for dismissal was won by the **Schwaab** and **Grob** families. This begins immediately. The first family to arrive for pick-up will go to the front of the line. The second family to arrive will park in front of the entire line, that way there will be less disruption to the pick-up process. We thank them for their high bids and remind all that these two families may cut to the front of line at any time before 3:30 dismissal.

Clubs

After School Clubs will begin on Thursday, March 4th. If your student has signed up for a club, the club confirmation/permission slips are in this packet. We thank all of our club volunteer leaders, student helpers, and Dee Hanish for coordinating!

Hot Lunch

The orders for April are due to the school office by Tuesday, March 2nd. Thank you!

Iowa Tests of Basic Skills (ITBS)

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Movin' N Munchin'

The Movin' N Munchin' store has opened. The students in K4 and K5 can purchase simple food and/or toy treats during first recess, sold by grade 2 students. The students in grades 1 to 5 can buy treats during lunch recess; these will be sold by grade 4 students. The store is only open on **Wednesday's** at the posted times.

Father's Day

We honor our fathers at 9 a.m. Mass on Friday, March 19th. The Mass will be followed by a social in the Parish Hall. A flyer is in this packet for response by March 4th. Sally Jarmuskiewicz is coordinating our celebration again this year, but would greatly appreciate having someone step up to assist her. Thank you!

Mark Your Calendar

February 26th - No School—In-Service Day for teachers

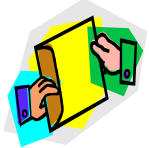
March 1st - Students in grades 3, 4, & 5 start the Iowa Tests of Basic Skills (ITBS)

March 1st - First Communion Parent Meeting 6:45 to 8:30 p.m.

March 2nd -First Communion Parent Meeting 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.



Included In Today's Packet



Catholic Herald Magazine
St. William Parish C.A.L.L. Flyer
Club Confirmations
March Calendar
Father's Day Invitation

Available in the Office

Blazer Baseball Flyer 5-9 year olds boys/girls

Firebird baseball Flyer 5- 8 year old boys

Jr. Crusader Football Flyer

Swimtastic Birthday Party Flyer

Catholic Schools Chess Invitational March 6, K-8th Gr.

Coach Casey Volleyball Camp