

Campus Connection

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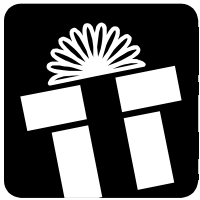
The Day Is Almost Here!

We're heating up the griddles. The syrup is ready to pour and the juice is being squeezed. This Sunday—December 13th—is the day! Everyone is welcome to come and join Waukesha Catholic students, families and staff at our 2nd Annual **Breakfast with Santa**. We'll be serving tasty food, along with games and prizes, and the opportunity to take photos with Santa (please bring your own camera). The event runs from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the gym at St. William's. We look forward to seeing you there! *Please see the flyer in today's Campus Connection for more details.*



Home & School Cousin's Night Location Change

There is a change in one of the locations for the December 15th Cousin's Night! The 2 restaurants that will be participating are the Grandview location and the restaurant on the corner of Pearl St. and Hwy 59/164 (this is just north of Broadway). Remember to use the coupons in the Entertainment Book. Hope to see you on Tuesday, December 15th from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. Cousin's donates a portion of the sales, during this time, to Waukesha Catholic Home & School.



Christmas Shop Now

Order gift cards on line before Monday at 8:00 a.m. and they will be delivered on Thursday. It is that easy to do your Christmas shopping with Scrip. Just go to www.shopwithscrip.com and enter Waukesha Catholic's # 8AL3CL451142.

Scrip

The last opportunity to order Scrip in time for Christmas will be Monday, December 14th. No Scrip order will be placed the week of December 21st or December 28th.

Christmas Break

Christmas break begins at dismissal on Tuesday, December 22nd. Classes will resume on Monday, January 4th, 2010.

Snow Closing



Emergency closing of the school due to snow or other conditions will be announced on one of the following stations:

TV

Channel 4 -- WTMJ
Channel 6 -- FOX-WITI
Channel 12 -- WISN

Radio - AM

WTMJ (AM 620)
WOKY (AM 920)
WISN (AM 1130)

Radio - FM

WKTI (FM 94)
WMIL (FM 106)

And remember these important guidelines:

1. *We follow the Public Schools.* If the WAUKESHA PUBLIC SCHOOLS close or start later or leave earlier then we will do the same.
2. If for some reason one of the individual Waukesha Catholic campuses has an emergency of its own, this will also be reported. Therefore, listen to the radio or TV stations listed above.

NOTE: We do not follow Catholic Memorial's schedule.

Emergency phone numbers at each campus are only used in the event that land lines are down.

St. Joseph 262-565-7291 St. Mary 262-565-7292 St. William 262-565-7293

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Waukesha Catholic St. Joseph Middle School Campus

Included in This Week's Packet

Breakfast With Santa Flyer *To Youngest*
Catered Lunch Volunteer Form
Forensic Flyer
Scrip Packet *To Youngest*



Christmas Concert Tomorrow

All are welcome to come and enjoy the sounds of the season at Shattuck Auditorium, Carroll University. The band and chorus are scheduled to perform. The concert begins at 7:00PM. We hope to fill the auditorium! Plan to attend and support the music department and our students!



Reminder

The first ski club date to Alpine Valley is set, Friday, December 18th. Looks like we may have the snow! Please remember to return The permission slip and fees this **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11TH BY NOON. NO LATE FORMS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

Library News- A Successful Book Fair

Many thanks to all who helped at and/or purchased books, posters, unique pens and erasers, etc. at the Scholastic Book Fair, It could not be a success without all the student and parent participation. The Library was able to choose \$400.00 in books right from the fair and earned extra money to purchase additional books. As you can see, it is very profitable to run this book fair which is why we've been doing it for so many years.

Your support of the ONE FOR BOOKS program raised \$168.00, the money purchased books from the fair for our School Christmas Service Project, Kids2Kids. Scholastic Book Fair will match the raised One For Books dollars with 168 BOOKS to three non-profit programs devoted to improve reading skills among children: Kids in Distressed Situations, National Center for Family Literacy, and Toys for Tots.

The top three homerooms, 8-1, 7-3, & 6-3, in raising these funds voted a faculty person to be dressed-up for the day by the students. Mr. Hanson our Phy. Ed. teacher was their choice. The 7th grade was the top grade in fund raising so they get a special open gym. Ask your students about these activities. Guess the number of "Bows" contest winners were Brian S., Bethanie K., and Miranda F., congratulations to all!



Again, we at St. Joe's appreciate all the volunteers! Special thanks go to Michelle Holt, Sheri Houk, Carl Pittz, Sheryl Stuart, Karen Winegar, Susan Hornung, Carol Reske, Janet Curtis, David Else, Patrice Piette, Marcia Koenig, Jill Radi, Mary Morris, Karen Montez and Linda Martin. Thank you for your continued support in helping the students become lifelong readers! *Mrs. Jane Egan*

Box Tops

Please continue to send in your collection of General Mills Box Tops for Education. Each top is worth .10 cents and really adds up! The extra funds are used by our school to fund the little extras needed throughout the year. Mr. Kramer is getting ready to send in another batch.

Available in the School Office

Please contact the school office, 896-2930 if you would like the following information, Blazer Night Lasertag Adventure Sunday Dec. 20th from 6-9PM Only 108 Tickets Available!

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Forensics...Forensics... (Acting/Speaking and more)... Forensics...Forensics
"Great Leaders are Great Communicators"

All Students are invited come to Mrs. O'Brien's classroom on Tuesday, December 15th immediately after school for an Informational Meeting regarding St. Joe's Forensics (aka: acting, speaking). Forensics is a skill you will use your entire life - so why not participate when it is fun and there is no pressure? All students in grades 6 - 8 are welcome to participate. No experience is necessary and it doesn't matter if you didn't participate last year. Information will be available describing the 18 different categories, judging criteria, competition schedules and performance selection. Piece selection will begin immediately. Practices with a coach will begin in January. Competition begins the end of January. Hope to see you there!

Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

If you are unable to attend but want information - please ask pick up a packet from the office



Waukesha Catholic St. Mary Campus



Advent

Sunday, December 6th was the Second Sunday of Advent. We light two candles on our Advent wreath as we count down the four weeks until Christmas. We trust that the light of the candles will be a sign of hope as we anticipate God's healing power come to Earth through Jesus' birth.

Please Keep in Your Prayers

Bob Schmitt, father-in-law of Mrs. Kelly Schmitt (music teacher at St. Mary Campus), husband of Arlene Schmitt (retired Waukesha Catholic teacher) and dear grandfather of Jacob passed away on November 27th. Please keep the entire Schmitt family in your prayers.

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.

Thanks!

We are very grateful to Susie Matson, Joy Suzik and Joli Krismer for their hard work gathering and processing the Staff Christmas Scrip. It is a huge undertaking and we truly appreciate your efforts.

Home & School Breakfast with Santa

Just a Reminder - Sunday, December 13th is the Breakfast with Santa from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. William's Gym. This event is sponsored by Waukesha Catholic Home and School and Catholic Knights, John Usher and The Marriott and all proceeds benefit Waukesha Catholic School. Please plan on spending Sunday morning with Santa and the Waukesha Catholic community!



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The **First Eucharist Recognition mass** originally scheduled for May 14th **has been changed to Friday, May 21st**. High Interest Day will take place on Friday, May 14th. Please plan accordingly.

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Looking Ahead

Market Day pick-up, Multi-purpose room 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday, December 15th: Cousin's Sub Night

Wednesday, December 16th: St. Mary Campus Christmas Concert, 6:30 p.m. at Shattuck auditorium, Carroll University

Waukesha Catholic St. William Campus

Advent

Last Sunday was the Second Sunday of Advent. We were told the story of John the Baptist. John was the prophet who prepared the way for the Lord. John proclaimed the message of repentance and baptism. How are we preparing for the coming of the Christ child?



Mother's Day

I wish to thank all of the moms able to join us at the Mass and social. The children look forward to this day as a special time to share with their moms.

I also wish to thank the people who helped serve the moms and children. I especially thank John Zich, who coordinated this special day, as well as the people who helped serve- John Davis, John Kennedy, Mike Schmitz, and Paul Seifert.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to the Conrad Family! Matthew Conrad in K5, along with his parents and little brother welcomed a new baby boy, Silas Frederick, to their family on December 3rd. Silas was 10 lbs. 3 oz. and 23" long!



Market Day

Pick-up is Wednesday, December 9th.

Hot Lunch

January hot lunch confirmation forms have been sent home with your student; please check them for accuracy.



Friends of Jesus Gifts

The gift collection for the Friends of Jesus needs to be delivered to the school office by **tomorrow, Wednesday, December 9th**.

Christmas Concert

On December 15th, the Church will be opened at 6:00 p.m. There is reserved seating for the winning bidders from the auction last February (Piacsek Family). Seats will also be reserved for Fr. Curt, Fr. Jason, their guests, and needed staff.

Students should wear "dress up" clothes for the concert. The children are asked to be in the classrooms at about 6:30 p.m. If parents come to church before 6:30 p.m. they are asked to keep the children with them until Mr. Radomski calls them to their classrooms. Band students will receive specific instructions from Mrs. VanTreek. The concert will begin at 7 p.m.

Scouts

Reminder: the pack meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 8th has been cancelled.

Included in this packet

Breakfast with Santa

YMCA activity for grades 4th and 5th only

SCRIP Retail List

Jaycee Magic show ticket

Catholic Herald Parenting Newspaper



Mark Your Calendar

- December 10th-No-Uniform day for the **boys** as winners of the Box-Top Contest
- December 10th-No-Uniform day for all students in **Grade 4** as Penny Drive winners
- **Christmas Concert-(SWC) will be at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 15th**
- December 16th –No Uniform day as treat the day after the concert

