



Campus Connection

The weekly newsletter for St. Joseph, St. Mary, & St. William Campus



Home & School Breakfast with Santa

Just a Reminder - Sunday, December 14th is the Breakfast with Santa from 8 A.M. to 12 P.M. at St. William's Gym. This event is sponsored by Waukesha Catholic Home and School and Catholic Knights and all proceeds benefit Waukesha Catholic School. Please see the enclosed flier for further information. Hope to see you there!

Christmas Break

Christmas break begins at dismissal on Friday, December 19th, 2008. Reminder – it is a full day of school. Classes resume on Monday, January 5th, 2009.

Campus Connection Flyers

Any organization or individual wanting to put a flyer in the weekly packet must have prior approval by a campus principal or the director before printing.

Scrip Gift Cards

Scrip gift card orders for the week of December 8th were \$37,255 with \$1,640 in profits. Scrip gift cards are easy to order on line at www.shopwithscrip.com.

Next Monday, December 15th will be the last opportunity to order Scrip gift cards in December.



Prayer Request

Please keep in your prayers:

- ❖ The family of Kitty Greil, 6th grade teacher at St. Joseph Campus, as her father-in-law recently passed away.
- ❖ The family of Roxanne Byrne, K4 teaching assistant at St. Mary Campus, as her mother-in-law passed away this weekend.

Christmas Parade Thanks

Many thanks to the 7th & 8th grade band students who so willingly participated in the Waukesha Christmas Parade on Sunday, November 23rd. Your patience and tolerance of the cold weather without complaint was greatly appreciated. And, you represented Waukesha Catholic Middle School well with terrific musicianship.

Great job to: Mr. Hornung, Peter Hornung, Mr. Aldred, Breanna Aldred, Ji Woo Lee, Madeline Jelacic, Danielle Anderson, Gina Bucci, Rebecca Herrmann, Kellie Piatt, Soo Bin Kim, Ehwee Shin, Sarah Gorczany, Mary Biedlingmeier, Tyler Aguew, Angel Suarez, Charlie Lange, Brandon Kotlowski, Jack Mathie, Cody Lenhardt, Alex Owens, Alex Gleisner, and Jose Palacios.



Also, thank you to the following band parents and staff volunteers who helped with a variety of things like decorating the trailer, supervising the students, providing hot chocolate and moving equipment: Lynn Kotlowski, Antonio Palacios, and Mrs. Rempe. Mr. Hacker and Ms. Van Treeck organized this fun event!

Finally, we are most grateful to a former Waukesha Catholic Band parent, Jim Cappozzo, for making arrangements for the flatbed trailer and for driving the truck!

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Archbishop Dolan

The December 13th Catholic Knights presents Living Our Faith with Archbishop Dolan episode welcomes Milwaukee Police Chief Edward Flynn and Fr. John Kern, pastor, St. Catherine's Parish, Milwaukee. Archbishop Dolan visits with both guests and discusses ways to create peace in our homes, neighborhoods and communities. Reporter Jeff Jackson takes a look at the SET Ministries Peace Program where school children learn to prevent violence in their communities. Watch Catholic Knights presents Living Our Faith with Archbishop Timothy Dolan Saturdays at 11 A.M., on WISN TV 12. The program also airs on Time Warner Cable's Wisconsin On Demand, Channel 1111.

Catholic Knights Scholarship Program

Take a moment and visit the Catholic Knights website for more information on how to apply for the following Scholarships:

Catholic Grade School Tuition - \$100
Catholic High School Tuition - \$500
College Tuition \$1,000/\$500
Confirmation \$100

Contact Catholic Knights for information at 800-927-2547 or find detailed application forms at www.catholicknights.org

Auction Annex

Where do all the donated items for the Waukesha Catholic Annual Auction come from?

Excellent question! The variety of sources is astounding. But even more impressive is that many of the items are talents, services, tickets, entertainment, or items that our Waukesha Catholic School community has right at our finger tips. The generosity and creativeness of our school community is amazing.

Our students and staff always come through for us with incredible projects for each class to auction off. *So look around and think... what might I be able to contribute?*

Can you play an instrument? Donate lessons. Do you have season tickets to a sports or theatre event? Donate tickets. Can you come up with a unique experience or event? Donate it. Do you have a knack for baking cookies or desserts? How about donating a once a month dessert to the highest bidder for a year?

Many members of the Waukesha Catholic Community have already stepped up, pitched in and donated a variety of things: piano lessons, Bucks tickets, a sailing trip, wall hangings, autographed memorabilia, maintenance services, front row pews at Holiday masses, not to mention unique events and parties... but more on those next week.

Get creative... get thinking... There are hidden auction treasures out there and you have them! They could be priceless to someone out there bidding.

Our Donations Committee is hard at work and doing a fabulous job, but let's help them out! Please contact Connie Bielinski, cbielins@bsamail.org or Stacie Piacsek, spiacsek@wi.rr.com if you have donations.



Waukesha Catholic St. Joseph Campus

Included in This Week's Packet

Band Letter (*Band Students Only*)
Breakfast with Santa Flyer (*Youngest*)
Christmas Concert Flyer
Pea Pod Confirmation (*Orders Due: Wednesday Dec. 10*)
Scrip Flyer
Ski Club Confirmation (*Skiers Only*)
Ski Club Passes (*Skiers Only*)
Wisconsin Jaycees Magic & More Free Pass
8th Grade Production Packet (*8th Grade Only*)

In the News

Courtney Hahn & Rianna Smits both 6th grade students at St. Joseph Campus competed in the Midwest Oireachtas Championship of Irish Dance. They competed in team and solo competitions over the Thanksgiving break. Courtney placed 68th out of 130 & Rianna placed 45th out of 130! Well done! Congratulations!

Teacher Appreciation

Thank you to Colleen Furrer & Cindy Lukowitz who coordinated the teacher luncheons during conferences. The staff truly enjoyed the Italian and Mexican meals you and your helpers: Marcia Koeing, Michelle Krauska, Mary Morris, Marianne Prager, Linda Rice, Barbara Ryan, Karen Stagl, Karen Winegar, and Kelly Zich provided. Hats off to you! You really helped SJ Home & School shine.

Mrs. Gabrish has done a wonderful job providing goodies baskets for the staff to enjoy. Thank you for going the extra mile!

Carol Reske & Eve Harford are this year's Co-Chairs for SJ Home & School. Both ladies have been busy this year coordinating events for both staff and students. We appreciate their hard work and dedication! Thank You!

St. Joe's Book Fair Update!

Thank you to students and parents for reaching into your pockets at this time to support the St. Joseph Book Fair. Our goal was to pass last year's total of 200 books and we sold 205 books! The Library was able to choose books totaling \$400.00 right from the Book Fair and earned extra money to purchase additional books. Thank you again.

In addition to our "Guess the number of bookmarks" contest each homeroom had a challenge to fill their "loose change" containers. This activity supports the ONE FOR BOOKS program by Scholastic. We raised \$95.00 so Scholastic will donate 95 books to three non-profit programs: Kids in Distressed Situations, National Center of Family Literacy and Toys for Tots. With the \$95.00 our school collected we purchased books for the Women's Center to be delivered by the St. Joe's Girl Scouts. The winning homeroom 7-1 received a frozen treat at lunch last week and the winning grade level, 7th grade, had a special open gym time!!

We are very grateful for all the assistance from our terrific volunteers. Thanks to Jill Radi, Joli Krismer, Michelle Foote, Patrice Peitte, Mary Morris, Karen Stagl, Susan Hornung, Chris Leach, Colleen Furrer, Wendy Brown, Kelly Klohn, Jeanne Gantenbein, Janet Curtis, Paul Smart, Marcia Koenig, Carol Seifert, Mary Walker, Anne Jacka and Michelle Krauska.

Your simple act of kindness made more of a difference than you'll ever know. Thank You for your support.
Mrs. Jane Egan

General Mills Box Top Reminder

Please continue to send in your General Mills Box Tops labels from select General Mills products. Each box top is worth .10 cents! The funds collected are used for various items needed through the school year. A huge thank you to Mr. Frank Kramer who has been sorting, counting and packaging!

Waukesha Catholic St. Mary Campus

Thanks from 5th grade

The fifth grade students would like to thank everyone who supported our very first Fifth Grade Conference Bake Sale during parent-teacher conferences. Thanks to your generous contributions, \$450.00 was raised to assist in purchasing supplies for our Advent service project. The students are making prayer blankets to send to infants and to the elderly. Thanks to our planners, workers, bakers, and customers for making this a huge success!!!

Market Day Reminder!

The pickup for Market Day orders is THIS Saturday, December 13 from 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. in the St. Mary's multi-purpose room. Thanks again for your support. Merry Christmas!

Reminders From the Office

- ⊕ If your child is absent, **you must notify the office prior to 9:00 a.m.** If the office is not notified, your child's absence will be recorded as unexcused.
- ⊕ Please contact the school office to inform of any changes in employment, phone numbers or other contact numbers that may have changed since August.

From the Green Team

As part of the Go Green initiative, The Green Team is starting a St. Mary's Campus Car Pool Connection group. If you are interested in car pooling, please send an email to the address listed below for further information. We would also like to compose a list of 'car pool' guidelines and are requesting input from seasoned car pool veterans. Please send suggestions to this email address as well. Please note, expressing interest or offering advice is not a commitment to participate. Email: stmaryscarpool@yahoo.com or phone: 262-574-0609

Market Day Update

The November 2008 sale netted a profit of **\$529.81** from 61 customers, which brings our three-month total to **\$1357.79!** Thanks to all who continue to support this program! And thanks to all the Market Day volunteers. We could really use some NEW volunteers, especially for the Saturday morning pickups from 7:00 am to 8:00/8:15. You don't have to show up every month – just as you have time. Don't be shy – it's a fun group!

The next sale date is **Saturday, December 13**, which means the forms are due this **Friday, December 5 at school**. Or, you can order online until Wednesday, December 10 at noon (www.marketday.com; St. Mary's school code is #4369). The on-line ordering is easy and has clearance items, as well. The pickup location will be the St. Mary's multi-purpose room, as usual. If you have any questions about Market Day or need an order form please contact Joe Piatt at 548-9991 or jpiatt@carrollu.edu. Thanks in advance for your support of this program!

Looking Ahead

Tuesday, December 9th: McDonald's Night

Wednesday, December 10th: Christmas Concert, 6:30 p.m., Shattuck Auditorium, Carroll University

Saturday, December 13th: Market Day pick-up

In Today's Packet

Santa's Workshop Information and "shopping list".
Breakfast with Santa flyer

WAUKESHA CATHOLIC ST. WILLIAM CAMPUS

Prayers

Please pray for Mrs. Cummings who was hospitalized on Thursday, December 4th. She is recovering from a collapsed lung.

"Friends of Jesus" Gifts

The annual collection of gifts for the "Friends of Jesus" has started. All gifts must be sent to the school office by December 11th.

Christmas Concert

We are starting (or restarting) a new tradition by holding the concert in church. Therefore it is important to explain some of the procedures. The church will be open by about 6:00 p.m. There is seating for about 800 people, all with a good view and an excellent sound system. Seats have been reserved for the students nearest the choir area. Front row seats will be reserved for the winning bidders from the auction last February. Seats will also be reserved for Fr. Leonard and Fr. Jason and their guest as needed. We will also reserve some seats as needed for staff. Please respect the reserved signs.

The students should wear "dress up" clothes for the concert. The students should sit with and STAY with their parents in church until the teachers come to church at about 6:45 p.m. (I am not sure about Band students at this time.) At 6:45, the teachers will begin their supervision of the students in the designated seating area. We hope to begin the concert at 7:00 p.m.

Mother's Day

We wish to thank all of the mothers and special guests who took the time to join us for Mass and the social on December 8th.

We wish to thank John Zich for coordinating this event, as well as all of the volunteers who helped serve our guests.

Advent

Sunday, December 7th 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.

Car Drop-Off Line

It has been brought to my attention that the car drop-off line has had some delays. I would like to remind parents to stop in front of the appropriate door and drop off students. If parents walk their child/ren to school, please park in the lot and walk with them to the designated waiting area. Thank you for your patience!

Mark Your Calendar

No-Uniform day for Grade 2 students and staff from Penny Drive on Wednesday, December 10th.

No-Uniform day for all students and staff on Thursday, December 11th.

St. William Campus Christmas Concert – Monday, December 15th @ 7pm in Church

Frosty Stomp (St. William Campus dance) - Friday, January 30th

