



Campus Connection

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

Directors Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Faced with a budget shortfall of over \$260,000 for next school year, many difficult decisions needed to be made. In these challenging economic times I felt it necessary to reduce or eliminate positions and adjust salaries to lessen this deficit.

I believe that the changes in the budget for 2009-2010 that are summarized below will not diminish the quality of education or the care given to your children. I hope you can also see that a genuine effort was made to not impact the day to day direct instruction given by our dedicated teachers.

The reductions still leave approximately \$80,000 in deficit for next year. I am hopeful that we will be able to reduce this further through potential savings in other operational areas, continued third source funding, as well as doing everything we can to maintain or increase our student population.

Before reading the budget summary that follows, there are a few areas where you can make an impact to our operational budget. My first request is your help in recruiting children to our schools. You are our best recruiters. Please tell your neighbors and friends why you send your children to Waukesha Catholic. Encourage them to call and visit any one of our campuses. My second request is to encourage you to buy Scrip. Scrip not only brings us revenue but also helps you by earning tuition credit. You can make a difference and I urge you to please help us out.

Waukesha Catholic's Board of Directors will host an informational meeting concerning the budget for 2009-2010 and review many other areas concerning our school system. I will be there along with our Administrators to answer any questions you might have. I hope you can join us on Thursday, April 2, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in St. Mary's Community Room.

I would like to thank everyone for their dedication to Waukesha Catholic and wish you God's blessings as always.

Carolyn Caruso

Summary

In the area of compensation these reductions and adjustments were made:

- All salary and hourly wages are frozen at the 2008-2009 rates.
- Director position continues at 80% and drops back to step 1 of the scale.
- Principal positions at St. Joseph and St. William will operate at 80% position. The St. Mary Campus principal will remain at 100%. Both the Director and the St. Mary principal will cover the St. Joseph and St. William Campus in the event that those principals are not on site or available.
- The 100% Guidance position for the system has been reduced to 80%. Our needs in this area will continue to be met daily with the involvement of the administrative and teaching staff.
- The 100% Resource Specialist position at St. Joseph Campus has been reduced to 50%. An additional 20 hours of Teaching Assistant time has been added to cover the need created by this reduction.

- The Librarian position at St. Joseph Campus has been reduced from 20 hours to 12 hours. Current trends indicate that middle school students are using computer technology to research papers and projects more than actual library research.

These positions were eliminated:

- 60% Technology Coordinator position - duties and responsibilities will be assumed by the Administrative Assistant, Business Manager and Campus Technology Instructional Assistants.
- 15% Translation/Interpretation system position – Volunteers or translators for hire will be used if and when necessary for any system or campus needs.
- 80% Advancement Assistant – this position was eliminated in the 2008-2009 budget and will remain eliminated.
- 8 Hours/week Band Assistant position – due to the reduction of the number of band participants.
- 30% Elementary Art position for St. Mary and St. William Campuses – classroom teachers will assume the teaching of the art curriculum.

Other changes related to the budget:

- 16.5 hours of Teaching Assistant time have been added to the St. Joseph Campus to meet the formula (.3 hours per student – Grades 1-8).
- Health Insurance has been budgeted at a 7% increase. Actual rate increase will not be known until early May.
- Participation in the Archdiocesan Pension Plan has increased from 6% to 7% of full time wages.
- The 4th year of the Tuition Reduction Plan for Waukesha Catholic employees called for a 40% reduction in total family tuition for full time employees and a 20% reduction in total family tuition for part time employees. It has been changed to a 30% reduction in total family tuition for everyone which is then prorated based on the percentage of time that is worked.

3rd Quarter Ends

- ❖ The last day of the 3rd Quarter will be March 27th.
- ❖ March 27th will also be an early dismissal day. St. Joe dismissal will be at 11:25 A.M. St. Mary and St. William will dismiss at 11:30 A.M.
- ❖ Reports will be sent home on April 3rd.

Athletic News

The basketball season is over. Please launder the athletic uniform and return it to the school office as soon as possible. Please make sure there is a name on the bag so we may credit the correct person with the return.

Track

There is still time to register for track. Call Tom McElmeel if your child is interested in participating. Sign up will be allowed until the **first practice date of Tuesday, March 31**. Track practices will be held at St. Mary Campus on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30 P.M. until 7:30 P.M. Students will run on the CMH track.

Athletic Board

We are looking for new Waukesha Catholic Athletic Board Members. If you have an interest and would like to be included on the ballot, please contact Tom McElmeel at 501-6722 or Rachel Baker at 970-7396. There will be three vacancies and three other board members are up for re-election. The deadline for placement on the ballot is Friday, May 1st. Elections will take place at sports sign up night, May 27th.

Café Create

You are invited to St. Joseph Campus-6th grade building on Friday, March 27th, anytime between 4:00 – 8:00 P.M. There will be many opportunities to see the Arts of the Waukesha Catholic Middle School and Elementary Classes. Band, Art, Forensics, Theatre, and Dance will all be performing.

Waukesha Catholic's 5th and 6th grade Tournament

Congratulations to all the teams for a great season!

5th grade girls – Coach Allen – 3rd Place
5th grade boys – Coach Bernhardt – 4th Place

5th grade boys – Coach Braun – 1st Place
5th grade boys - Coach Mathison – 3rd Place

6th grade girls – Coach Radke – 2nd Place
6th grade boys – Coach Jackson – 1st Place

6th grade girls – Coach Tom – 1st Place
6th grade boys – Coach Brozynski – 2nd Place



Scrip

Scrip orders for the week of March 16th were \$18,647 with profits of \$727. There will be NO Scrip orders placed on April 6th or April 13th due to Easter Break and our main supplier being shut down for inventory.

Catholic Knights presents Living Our Faith with Archbishop Dolan

The March 21st episode of Catholic Knights presents Living Our Faith with Archbishop Dolan focuses on faith and its positive impact on marriage and family.

Archbishop Dolan welcomes Jim Waters from St. Mary's Parish, Menomonee Falls. Jim talks about the positive impact that his decision to go through the RCIA program (after thirty years of marriage) has had on him, his marriage and his family.

Guests Joshua and Christine Schulz, volunteers in the Engaged Enrichment Program, talk about how the program helps engaged couples prepare for marriage and about their specialty: natural family planning.

In addition, "The Safeguarding all of God's Family" prevention program, which is designed to teach people how to protect our children from abuse, is highlighted in our filmed feature.

Watch Catholic Knights presents Living Our Faith with Archbishop Timothy Dolan Saturdays at noon, on WISN TV 12. The program also airs on Time Warner Cable's Wisconsin On Demand, Channel 1111.

If you miss a show, every segment is available at www.livingourfaith.net

Skateland Party

Friday, March 27th is the 2nd Annual Skateland Party sponsored by Waukesha Catholic Home and School. This will be at Waukesha Skateland from 1-3:00 P.M. (early release day) and the cost is \$2.00 per person (this includes skate rental). If you have any questions, please call Lisa Chapman at 262-522-9791. Hope to see you there.



Divine Savior Holy Angels High School

DSHA junior and Waukesha Catholic alumna **Jamie Molloy** was the overall winner of the recent Milwaukee Regional Science and Engineering Fair with her project, *Nano Oxides Effect on Sentinel Organisms in the Aquatic Environment*. She also placed first in the Biology/Environmental Science category. In addition to receiving a laptop computer and a \$500 scholarship, Jamie will be competing at the International Science and Engineering Fair in Reno, Nevada in May.

February Students Of The Month – St. Joseph's Campus

Congratulation to the following students of the month in Band and Literature! Keep up the great effort!

Band

6th – Brett McCormick
Larissa Mendoza
7th – Joe Coxey
Danielle Anderson
8th – Daniel Grau
Emma Krauska

Literature

6th – Maddie Zagorski
Danny Lang
7th – Becky Calhoun
Shawn Kramer
8th - Carly Richter
Matt Stagl



We still have some unclaimed shoes



Are you missing a pair of size 8M Anne Klein open toed black pumps? There was quite a bit of snow falling on the day of our auction and several women changed into boots before leaving the event. If you brought friends who do not have children at Waukesha Catholic and might have left their shoes, please check with them. The shoes can be picked up at the administrative office.

Internet Safety Presentation

Included in your packet today is a flyer regarding a presentation to parents about internet safety. Please consider attending this WCTC presentation. Special Agent Szatkowski did a presentation at Waukesha Catholic a few years ago and he comes highly recommended. It is your opportunity as parents to receive additional education about the internet.

52 Club Raffle

In today's packet each family is receiving an envelope which contains your 52 Club Raffle tickets. We are no longer allowed to mail the raffle tickets, so we need your help in selling them to people outside of the school system and our supporting parishes. Please offer the opportunity to support this important fund raiser to grandparents and other interested friends and relatives.



This is our only fund raiser totally dedicated to the Tuition Assistance Program. Recently Archbishop Timothy Dolan was talking about our current economy and said, "We all have a responsibility to help each other." As you can imagine the need for this assistance has been growing. Picture your child's classroom with four less students. That is the average number of students per classroom that need our help to attend Waukesha Catholic. The 52 Club

Raffle is a wonderful way for you to lend a hand.

Faculty Retirements

Mrs. Cathy Day and Mrs. Lucille Ryan, 4th grade teachers at St. Mary Campus, have both announced they will be retiring at the end of this school year. Mrs. Day has been a dedicated teacher at St. Mary's for the past 20 years and Mrs. Ryan for the past 16. Both have touched the lives of so many students throughout their careers. They will be greatly missed by the entire St. Mary Community, especially the students they have served. We thank both of them for the many years of service to Waukesha Catholic. Although we are sad for our loss – we are very happy for them! Please join us in wishing them both a happy and blessed retirement.

Jr. Crusaders Boys Baseball

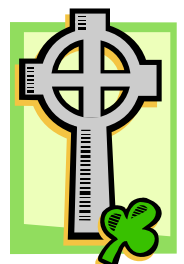
The Jr. Crusaders baseball program is looking for a few additional players for the U10/4th grade team. If you're interested or know someone who is, please contact the U10 coach Joe Beinlich at beinlj44@uwosh.edu or visit our website for additional information. <http://www.ballcharts.com/jrcrusaders>

In Your Thoughts and Prayers

Please keep the Lewis family and the Pittz family in your prayers. The children from both families had a grandmother pass away this week.

Eternal rest grant onto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon thee. May they rest in peace.

Waukesha Catholic St. Joseph Middle School



Included in This Week's Packet

Café Create Flyer *Youngest in System*
CMH Camp Booklet *Youngest in System*
CMH Shadow Flyer *Grade 7 Only*

4 P's In a Pod May Order Form
Internet Presentation for Parents Flyer
Saturday School Invite
SJ Spring Book Fair Flyer
Scrip Promotional Flyer *Youngest in System*

3rd Week of Lent- Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross, sometimes called the "way of the cross", have a long history. This form of devotion began at the time of the crusades, and in recreating Jesus' passion and death, was a way to bring events in the Holy Land closer to Europe.

The Traditional stations have fourteen scenes, each one commemorating a part of Jesus' last day on earth. Those praying the way of the cross follow each station by offering a brief reflection and prayer at each scene.

You are welcome to attend the Stations of the Cross with our students. The following is the weekly schedule during the Lenten season:

Grade 8	Grade 7	Grade 6
Monday 9:15 & 10:00 *Tuesday 8:30 *Every other	Thursday 10:45, 1:00 & 2:00	Friday 10:45, 12:15 & 1:45

Often in our lives, there are many times that there is suffering. These times give us a chance to relate our own pain and suffering to Jesus' passion. If we turn to Jesus as our example, and reflect on our troubles one at a time, we can find enough strength and build a stronger relationship with God.

Jesus did not walk to the cross alone, even though many of his friends ran away in fear. He had the support of many women who had been part of his life, as well as strangers along the way. When life seems difficult it is good to know that there are people who can help us with our journey,

3rd Week Collection Honor Level In Honor Of The Zickau Family

We know a very special person who was a member of our Waukesha Catholic School community. Bev Zickau worked at St. William for 12 years, her three children attended our schools and her family belonged to St. William Parish.



Bev's husband Bill has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer in both lungs. It is a very trying time for their family. Sr. Toni contacted people she thought may still remember Bev and asked us to pray. We have been praying for this family for many weeks and there have been some bright spots along their journey but it is far from over.

The Honor Level System here at St. Joe's is a way for us to keep track of the daily behavior of our students. During the week of the 16th (this week) our school will contribute .25 per student per day for each student who has NOT received a Code of Conduct!

The better behaved and less forgetful our students are the bigger the contribution will be for the Zickau family.

In addition to the good behavior contributions, if you would like more information about the Zickau family please feel free to contact the school office, 262-896-2930.

Reminder – Lent Week Four

Next week each homeroom will be collecting items and or clothing that will be donated to Purple Heart. We ask that donated clothing items be clean and in good repair. No large items please. Items may be brought to school until Friday morning. Purple Heart will collect items on Friday, March 27th.

May the Patron Saint of Ireland
Be close to you each day
To bless you with good fortune
In a very special way

HAPPY ST. PARTICK'S DAY!



Waukesha Catholic St. Mary Campus



Mark Your Calendar – Orientation Dates

- * Orientation for 2008-2009 K4 students will take place on Wednesday, May 13th. Existing K4 students will not have class that day.
- * Orientation for students entering the K5 class during the 200-2010 school year will be held on Tuesday, May 19th. Existing K5 students will not have class that day. Please plan accordingly!

Market Day Update

The February 2009 sale netted a profit of \$276.39 from 35 customers, which brings our six-month total to \$2395.45. Thanks to all who continue to support this program! If you would like to volunteer for the Saturday morning pickups, we get going at about 7 am and finish up by 8:15 am. You don't have to show up every month – just as you have time.

The next sale date is **Saturday, March 21**, which means the forms are due **Wednesday, March 18 at school**. Or, you can order online until Wednesday, March 18 by **11 pm** (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

In Today's Packet

May Hot Lunch Calendar

WCTC Presentation – Internet Safety

Happy 
St. Patrick's Day

Waukesha Catholic St. William Campus

Lent

During Lent we are asked to put God right before our eyes and stare in His direction. Our prayer, fasting, and almsgiving help us to see God more clearly and to hear His voice.

Lenten Raffle

St. William Campus has a tradition of holding a Lenten raffle at this time of the year. Raffle tickets will be sold by Grade 3 students during lunch recess on Thursday and Friday. The raffle tickets cost 10¢ each or 3 for 25¢. The raffle drawing will begin the week of Holy Week. All proceeds are sent to the School Sisters of St. Francis in support of their orphanage in Guatemala.

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 each or 6 for \$5. Tickets are for sale in the school office and the quilt is in the school office if you wish to see it. The winner of the quilt will be picked during Holy Week.

After School Clubs

After school clubs continue this Thursday, March 19th. Please send a snack for your child. Pick-up will be car line style at 5:00 p.m.; this will allow us to keep the children safe and orderly.

Please note that Cooking Club will be held for 3 weeks instead of 4, due to the Grade 4 field trip to Madison on April 2nd. (Eight of the 10 participants are Grade 4 students.) No Cooking Club will be held on April 2nd.

Girls Scout Cookies

The Girl Scouts from St. William Campus will be in the Parish Hall after all Masses this weekend selling Girl Scout cookies. Please show your support and stop in and buy a box or two!! Cookies are \$3.50 a box and we have all your favorites!!

Box Tops

The spring Box Top contest is sprouting! Here is the week one results. The 1st grade will receive 3 flowers on their vine and grades 2, 3, and 5, will each receive 1 flower on their vine.

Great start everyone! Let's grow some HUGE flowers for St. William!

1st grade - 330
2nd grade - 170
3rd grade - 170
5th grade - 100
K4 - 25



Reconciliation Services

The students in Grade 3 will celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation at 10:00 a.m. on March 19th. The students in Grades 4 & 5 will celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation at 9:00 and 10:00 a.m. on March 26th.

Father's Day



We honor our fathers with the celebration of Fathers' Day on Friday, March 20th at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Dads and special guests may come to school with the students and we recommend they go to class with the youngest child in the family. The students and special guests will be called to go to church as needed for Mass participation and then by family size with the largest families being called first. After Mass there will be a brief social with snack and beverage in the

Parish Hall.

The Waukesha Symphony will perform for the students at 10:30 in the Parish Hall, dads and special guests are welcome to stay for that performance.

Market day

The next Market Day order form is due to the school office by March 25th at 3:30 p.m.

Penny Drive

The March Penny Drive will be collected on March 19th; the proceeds will help residents at Linden Heights.

Mark Your Calendar



March 18th — No uniform for Movin' and Munchin'

March 18th — Artist presentation on Grant Wood at 2 p.m. in Parish Hall –Parents welcome

March 20th — Father's Day 9:00 Mass

Waukesha Symphony in Parish Hall at 10:30 all invited

Stations of the Cross at 2:30 p.m.

March 27th — Early dismissal at 11:30 a.m.—End of Quarter 3

