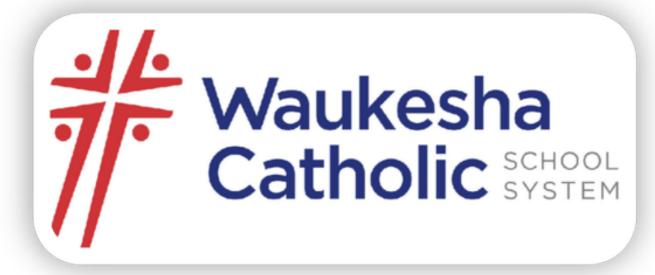
Campus Connection

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Waukesha Catholic instills faith and inspires futures by nurturing each child's gifts with an education rooted in the Gospel values and a culture of community, compassion, and love.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, February 1 - Wednesday, February 7

Wednesday, February 1:

- SMC Mass at CMH
 - Book Fair begins, 9:00 am-4:00 pm (closd from 11:10 am-1:30 pm)

Friday, February 2:

- SWC Prayer Service at 9:00 am led by Mrs. McDonell's K3 class
- SMC Book Fair, 9:00 am-4:00 pm (closed from 11:10 am-1:30 pm)

Saturday, Febraury 3: Waukesha Catholic Dinner and Auction at The Ingleside Hotel in Pewaukee, 5:15 pm

Saturday, February 3 and Sunday, February 4: St. Mary and St. Joe's Hospitality after Masses **Sunday, February 4:**

- SMC Open House, 9:00-11:00 am
 - Book Fair 6:00-7:30 pm

Monday, February 5: Scrip orders due by noon; Athletic Board Meeting at 6:30 pm via Zoom

• SMC - Last day for the book fair, 9:00-10:00 am

Tuesday, February 6:

• SWC - 1st Grade field trip to Reichl & Kolstad Orthodontics

Wednesday, February 7: Happy 100th Day of School!

• SMC - Mass at 8:35 am

February 2024 Calendars:

SWC

SMC

2023-2024 School Calendar







January 2024

Dear Catholic School Parents,

This year, Catholic Schools Week marks its 50th anniversary with the theme "United in Faith and Community." Those core values can be found in Catholic schools across the nation. Catholic schools teach students to become future servant leaders, faith-filled disciples, and enriched citizens in our communities. These shared qualities are what make Catholic schools work. They are what make Catholic schools succeed and it is the reason families make sacrifices to provide their children with an authentic Catholic education.

As parents, your decision to send your child to a Catholic school reflects a family commitment to a quality education that embraces the whole student—mind, body, spirit, and soul. In a Catholic school, Christ is the reason for the school and His presence guides instruction in all academic areas. I invite you to join in the Catholic Schools Week celebration as we recognize the tradition of excellence in schools throughout the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

Thank you for making Catholic education a priority in your child's life. Our Catholic schools are part of our future as a Church and as a nation. May God bless them, as well as all the important work you do as a parent, alongside teachers and staff, to educate the mind and shape the heart.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Most Reverend Jerome E. Listecki Archbishop of Milwaukee

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KOVALESKI'S KEYNOTE

THIS WEEK'S HOLY MOMENTS PROMPT IS:

Give your best in an activity you don't like.

ENCOUNTER CHRIST IN HOLY MOMENTS!

This Week's Video

(Video Note: The Holy Moments videos shared each week are titled using the prompt from the week before as they "recap" the previous week's prompt and introduce us to the new prompt for the upcoming week.)

This one might push us out of our comfort zone a little bit. Whether the activity you dislike happens at school, at work, or at home - do your best to give your very best effort. Who knows? Your experience might be totally transformed! Remember, some moments are holy. Some moments are unholy. And you get to decide!

Tips to Create This Holy Moment:

- Do your chores at home with a smile.
- Try your best in your least favorite activity this week.
- Pray before an activity you aren't looking forward to.

We want to hear about the amazing ways you and your family are collaborating with God! Email Meghan Gorzalski at mgorzalski@waukeshacatholic.org and tell us about a special Holy Moment you witnessed or created. Let's keep the Holy Momentum going!

REGISTRATION

Thank you for your continued support of Waukesha Catholic and for making Catholic education a priority in your child's life. Registration for the 2024-25 school year begins today. As a current family with students enrolled at Waukesha Catholic you are eligible for PRIORITY REGISTRATION.

for the 2024-25 school year. In order to take advantage of this opportunity and secure this priority placement, please complete the **online registration form** and submit your tuition deposit no later than Thursday, February 8. (If you would like a paper copy of the registration form, please contact the school office). After that date, we will determine the number of classrooms needed per grade (based on the number of students enrolled) and how many new registrations we can accept. Any registration forms from currently enrolled students received after Friday, February 9, 2024, will be processed along with the new student registrations on a first come, first serve basis. **Therefore, it is imperative your registration be submitted by that date in order to guarantee placement.**

The administration and school board have been working hard to determine tuition rates for the 2024-25 school year. However, due to the rising costs of goods and services we need a bit more time finalizing our tuition and budget. Therefore, we aren't able to provide an exact tuition number at this time. The School Board has approved, however, that tuition <u>WILL NOT exceed a 5%</u> increase over the 2023-24 tuition rates.

Included in your packet is a FINANCIAL INFORMATION SHEET, which includes total tuition costs for the 2024-25 school year <u>assuming the maximum 5% increase</u>. Please note this is the MOST your tuition would cost. Once a final decision is made regarding tuition, we will be able to publish the official tuition schedule for the 2024-25 school year. There are a few other things to note:

- In our continued effort to have all items related to the cost of education reflected in one
 tuition amount ALL FEES (registration, technology, field trip fees, with the exception of 6thgrade camp) are included in the cost of tuition. You will not have to pay separately for these
 fees. (This does not include any costs that would be incurred for extra-curricular or club
 events).
- Tuition alone does not cover the cost of your child's education. In addition to your tuition, support from our parishes and monies raised by third source funding help to cover the remaining gap. Therefore, the support of your parish and various fundraisers significantly impacts the cost of tuition.
- The tuition deposit paid with your registration will be deducted from the tuition owed for the 2024-25 school year.
- It is our sincere hope you plan to continue your child's education at Waukesha Catholic. However, if you know you will not be returning, please indicate this on the Registration Form.

It is our belief that when you send your child to Waukesha Catholic you place a high value on quality, Catholic education. For each of you the investment is personal, precious, and life giving. May God's blessing be with you as we work together to provide the best learning environment for your child(ren).

Blessings, Lisa Kovaleski

Registration Links

Below are the links to all registration information for the 2024-25 school year. Please note that you may complete the electronic Online Registration Form using the link below, or if you would prefer paper forms, please contact Mrs. Dunk at the St. Mary Campus or Mrs. Brown at the St. William Campus.

• Online Registration Form for 2024-25 School Year

- Financial Information Sheet
- Letter to parents of students entering K4, K5, 1st in the 2024-25 School Year
- Tuition Assistance Information

WAUKESHA CATHOLIC NEWS

Prayer Request

Marie Bares, a Waukesha Catholic school parent, was recently diagnosed with cancer. Please keep Marie, her husband Charlie, and her children (George, Henry, Tommy, Jack, Joey, Annie, and Alice) in your prayers as they navigate this difficult diagnosis. We have assured the Bares' that their Waukesha Catholic school family will be here to help in any way possible. However, until they have a better idea of their needs, let's bombard heaven with our prayers!





AUCTION UPDATES! DON'T MISS OUT!!!

Can't make it to our Auction, but want to bid on some totally rad items this Saturday?

Our Silent Auction will open on Friday!

Text "WAUKESHACATHOLIC" to 243725 to bid!

Thank you to everyone who donated to our Wine and Spirit Pull collection! Congratulations to **Thomas and Elizabeth Sheehan** who won the Auction Ticket Giveaway!

We look forward to seeing our guests this Saturday at 5:15 PM at The Ingleside Hotel when the festivities will begin. Our Back to the 90s Auction is an opportunity for all of us to celebrate not only the vibrant spirit of the 90s but also the enduring spirit of our school community. Proceeds from our fundraiser benefit every single student attending Waukesha Catholic. Tuition alone does not cover the cost of educating a child, so your generosity this Saturday is critical to our mission. We need everyone's help in raising \$150,000 for Waukesha Catholic!

NOT ATTENDING OUR AUCTION? You can still bid on our silent auction by texting "WAUKESHACATHOLIC" to 243725.

Our silent auction includes an exciting assortment of hard-to-find treasures and unique experiences, such as:

• One-of-a-kind Classroom-Created Projects, showcasing our students' creativity

- Exclusive signed Brewers Baseballs straight from the Clubhouse
- First Pitch Package with the Lakeshore Chinooks
- Battle House Laser Combat Party Package for Five
- The highly sought-after Pride of the Fox River statue



URGENT NEED FOR VOLUNTEERS!!

We have a critical need for volunteers to help load our truck on Friday, February 2 from 3:20-4:30 pm. If you know of any middle school or high school students in need of service hours, please have them sign up! However, we do require minors to be accompanied by an adult.

We also have an urgent need for volunteers to help sell raffle tickets during our Auction. In addition, we need some "fresh energy" on Saturday, February 3 from 11:00-11:59 pm at The Ingleside Hotel to help us teardown and load the truck after the event. Not attending the Auction but interested to see what it's all about? Volunteering is a great way to experience firsthand all this exciting night has to offer! Please volunteer by using this **SignUpGenius Link**:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0945A4AA22A4FECE9-41006042-2024#/

LAST CHANCE TO WIN ONE YEAR OF FREE TUITION OR \$2,000 CASH!

Our Auction's Cash/Tuition Raffle is your only chance to win one year of free tuition for the 2024-25 school year – a value of \$4,587 – or \$2,000 cash!! Whether or not you attend the auction, you can participate in this incredible raffle, as the winner need not be present to win!



WE STILL HAVE TICKETS!! Tickets are only \$30 each or 3 for \$75. Only 500 tickets will be sold, offering you incredible odds of winning! To purchase your tickets by cash or check, complete the raffle form that was included in your school packet (or download the form HERE) and return it to the school office on or before **Friday, February 2**. GOOD LUCK!!



First Student Bus Tracker Information

The School District of Waukesha and First Student use *First View*, a Bus Tracker app. To learn more about the app go to: https://sdw.waukesha.k12.wi.us/o/sdw/page/first-student-bus-

tracker

Since we are a private school you will need to complete this request to receive your child(ren)'s ID and security code via email. <u>FirstView ID and Security Code Request Form</u>



Volunteers Needed: Catholic Schools Week Hospitality

 Saturday, February 3 and Sunday, February 4 for St. Mary and St. Joseph

We will be needing volunteers to help hand out cookies at each

Mass during each Parish's assigned weekend to thank the parishioners for supporting our schools. Please click the link below to see slots that are open to volunteer:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E49AEA82CAAFD0-catholic#/

Culver's Dine Out Nights

Below are the Culver's Dine Out Night dates for the rest of the school year. The dates listed are <u>all</u> on Mondays from 5:00-8:00 pm at the Sunset Drive location:



- Monday, February 12
- Monday, March 11
- Monday, April 8
- Monday, May 13



Book Fair at the St. Mary Campus

The St. Mary Book Fair will take place in the library, **Wednesday**, **January 31 through Monday**, **February 5**. Books will be provided by Rainbow Booksellers and proceeds will benefit the school and classroom libraries. Stop by for a good book and support your school!

Hours:

Wednesday, January 31 - Friday, February 2: 9:00 am-4:00 pm (Closed 11:10 am-1:30 pm) Sunday, February 4: 9:00-11:00 am (Open House); 6:00-7:30 pm (After Mass) Monday, February 5: 9:00-10:00 am



From the Business Office

Tuition Tax Form Information

Tax season is quickly approaching. A simple form can help you deduct up to \$4,000 for K-8th grade tuition on your state income taxes. Click here for the Private K-12 Tuition Tax Deduction-Parent Packet for 2023. For questions regarding tax forms, you will need to contact your personal accountant.

To help you fill out your Schedule PS form you will find your tuition payment summary in FACTS. Please follow the instructions below to view/print your payment history for the 2023 calendar year.

Step 2: Select 'View Details'

Step 3: Select 'View Payment Summary' **Page will open in another window or tab.**

Step 4: Select the year and then 'Print'

NOTE: This report will show the total paid for each of the accounts. You can select a year or a date range for this summary. This will also include the School's Federal Tax ID and address. If you do not have access to FACTS, please contact Mary Jo Bartelt in the business office at 262-896-2929 ext. 5204 to get your login information.

HOT LUNCH HAPPENINGS

February Lunch Menu

Hot Lunch can always use an extra set of hands! If you have a free lunch hour, please consider volunteering! (Background and Safeguarding are Required)

SMC: SMC Hot Lunch Volunteers
SWC: SWC Hot Lunch Volunteers

Whipping Up Wellness! Student Chef Competition: Apply Now!

This will be our third year entering a recipe for consideration. Last year's team was invited to compete at the State competition in Madison, and we placed 3rd! If you are a Middle School student, love cooking, being creative, and just having fun, come join us! (Meetings will start after Catholic Schools Week.)

Please contact Mrs. Suzik if you are interested in creating an original recipe from Wisconsin grown ingredients!

(jsuzik@waukeshacatholic.org or just stop by the Library).



FEBRUARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 28 at St. William Campus, 6:00 pm.

RaiseRight (formerly Scrip)

Do you get paid on Friday? Do you find it inconvenient to place a Scrip order on Monday? If you answered "yes" - then reloadable cards are for you! You can order a gift card for \$25 (or sometimes less) and reload it for even more on any day that is convenient for you. For example, if you like to shop for your groceries on the weekend - order a \$25 Pick 'n Save gift card from school on



you receive your paycheck you can reload the card up to \$500 with (automatic bank payment, debit or credit card) and shop for your groceries whenever you need them. Once you have a physical card most of the Scrip cards are reloadable in this same way - Pick 'n Save, Walmart, Target, Kwik Trip, Panera, Starbucks, Meijer, Buffalo Wild Wings, Bath & Body Works, Sendik's, Hallmark, and many more!

Place your Scrip order by Monday, February 5 at noon for delivery on Thursday, February 8.

The Scrip Program is easy to use - order gift cards from over 750 top retailers. You can give the cards as gifts or use them for your regular purchases. Almost every store and restaurant you visit has a gift card offered through the Scrip Program - check out the options at www.RaiseRight.com. If you are new to the Scrip Program you will need to create an account and use our Waukesha Catholic code D62CEALE1142 to register. You may scan the QR code above.

Do you have questions about the Scrip Program? Contact Charlotte Hartmann, our Scrip Coordinator, at scrip@waukeshacatholic.org or 262-896-2929 ext. 5208 for more information.



Box Tops and Ink Cartridges

Earn 20-50 BONUS Box Tops when you purhase two-five Box Tops items at each of the following stores:

- Walmart
- Pick 'n Save
- Metro Market
- Meijer

Accepting these used/expired ink cartridges: Brother, Canon, Dell, HP, IBM, Lexmark, Okidata, Samsung, and Xerox

Please send ink cartridges to school in baggies or the original box labeled with student's name and class. Each donation equals one entry into the monthly \$10 gift card drawing!

ATHLETICS

Free Volleyball Clinic:

Waukesha Catholic Athletic Board will be running a **FREE 3rd and 4th grade volleyball clinic** February 4, 11, and 25 (These dates are all on a Sunday). Please look for the flyer and permission form in this week's school packets.

Clinic Flyer
Clinic Permission Form

Waukesha Catholic Basketball Upcoming Schedules

*All schedules subject to change – updates on www.nddbbb.org (check division & team # below)

<u>Team</u>	Next Game(s)
Boys 8th-Grade (Geller)	Sat. 2/3 at 11:15 am vs Blessed Savior @ HOME St. Joe's Waukesha
Notre Dame #812	1/29-2/4 @ St. Francis Borgia Tournament
Girls 8th-Grade (Frea)	Sat. 2/3 at 12:15 pm vs St. Jude @ HOME St. Joe's Waukesha
Notre Dame #806	
Girls 8th-Grade (Drosen)	Sat. 2/3 at 12:15 pm vs Mother of Good Counsel @ Mother of Good Counsel
Don Bosco #816	1/29-2/4 @ St. Francis Borgia Tournament
Boys 7th-Grade (Brejcha)	Sat. 2/3 at 11:15 am vs St. Sebastian @ St. Sebastian
Notre Dame #709	
Boys 7th-Grade (Bowes)	Sat. 2/3 at 11:15 am vs St. Mary Visitation @ St. Mary Visitation
Don Bosco Blue #727	
Boys 6th-Grade (Matson)	Sat. 2/3 at 1:00 pm vs St. Mary – Men. Falls @ St. Mary – Menomonee Falls
Don Bosco Gold #631	
Girls 6th-Grade (Cunningham)	Sat. 2/3 at 10:15 am vs Blessed Savior @ HOME St. Joe's Waukesha
Don Bosco Blue #607	
Boys 5th-Grade (Klubertanz)	Sat. 2/3 at 8:15 am vs Christ King @ HOME St. Joe's Waukesha
Don Bosco Blue #508	
Girls 5th-Grade (O'Brien)	Sat. 2/3 at 9:15 am vs St. Jude #1 @ HOME St. Joe's Waukesha
Don Bosco #503	

Gym locations and directions are located on the league website: https://nddbbb.org/gym-locations HOME St. Joe's Waukesha - 841 Martin St., Waukesha Mother of Good Counsel - 6924 W. Lisbon Ave., Milwaukee, WI St. Francis Borgia – 1425 Covered Bridge Road Cedarburg, WI St. Mary - Menomonee Falls - N89 W16297 Cleveland Ave., Menomonee Falls, WI St. Mary Visitation - 1260 Church St., Elm Grove, WI St. Sebastian - 5400 W. Washington Blvd, Milwaukee, WI

CAMPUS UPDATES

St. William Campus (Click here)

St. Mary Campus (Click here)

COMMUNITY MESSENGER



FOR THE BOYS

VeggieTales Presents: "PISTACHIO" The Little Boy That "Woodn't"

Sunday, March 10 at 1:30-3:00 p.m. at St. Mary in the Community Room

Donations of canned fruit or veggies appreciated.

Please RSVP using the QR code by March 5 This event is most appropriate for boys ages 3-8 and a male com Father "nose" best... A Lesson in Listening to Your Parents!





Just for the Girls!

Sunday February 18, 1:30–3:00 pm at St. Mary in the Community Room

Wear Your Favorite Party Dress

Donations of canned fruit or veggies appreciated.
Please RSVP using the QR code by February 13.
This event is most appropriate for girls ages 3-8 and a female con

Mirror, mirror on the wall, who has the truest heart of all?



MUHS Hilltopper Robotics Competition

Hilltopper Robotics Team 1732, made up of students from Divine Savior Holy Angels and Marquette University High Schools, is a FIRST® Robotics Competition team. FIRST is an organization dedicated to developing today's students into tomorrow's science and technology leaders and innovators. One way that FIRST® accomplishes this is by offering fun-filled robotics programs that give elementary, middle, and high school students hands-on experience designing, building, and programming robots.

In addition to building an awesome competition robot, our team has a goal of promoting science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields within the Greater Milwaukee community. One way we do this is through our annual "Design-A-Robot Poster Contest." The objectives of the contest are to help grade school students become interested in STEM, give them an opportunity to see what our team does, and show how cool robotics can be.

We invite 1st through 5th-grade students to enter our 2023 "Design-A-Robot Poster Contest!"

The contest theme for 2024 is "Think about something you would like to create. Then design a cool robot that could make it easier."

Posters are to be drawn on the attached contest entry form and should include a brief written description of the robot and of what it can do, along with an illustration showing the robot's design. Entries must be postmarked by Monday, March 11, 2024, and should be mailed to:

Marquette University High School Attn: Team 1732 Hilltopper Robotics 3401 W. Wisconsin Ave. Milwaukee, WI 53208

Our team will send emails to principals announcing the winners on or about March 20, 2024.

Please see the attached poster contest flyer for more details - we have provided flyers in three languages. The official 2024 Poster Contest Entry Form is also attached; please print the entry form on white $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x 11" paper for each of your students and have them make sure to put their name, grade, and school on the back.

From all entries received, Team 1732 will choose at least five winning posters. Each winner will be invited to join the team and some of our sponsors for an Awards Brunch on Saturday, May 4, 2024. They will also become an honorary member of Team 1732, receive a guided tour of our robotics workshop, receive an official team t-shirt and even get a chance to drive one of our competition robots!

Here is a short <u>video</u> introducing our poster contest and explaining what a robot is. The hope is that it will help the students get excited for this year's contest!

We hope your students will participate. If you have any questions, please contact our team at

<u>outreach@team1732.com</u> or visit our team website for more information at https://www.team1732.com.

- Poster Contest Flyer (English)
- Poster Contest Flyer (Spanish)
- Poster Contest Entry Form



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