

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.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS...

Thursday, November 17: Non-uniform Day

Friday, November 18: SWC - Prayer Service at 9:00 am led by Miss Schenk's K4B class

Monday, November 21: No Scrip orders this week; Parade Memorial Prayer Service at St. Joe's Church, 4:39 pm

Wednesday, November 23-Friday, November 25: No School for Thanksgiving Break

Monday, November 28: Classes resume; Scrip orders due by noon

Wednesday, November 30: SMC - Mass at 8:35 am



November Campus Calendars

- [SWC](#)
- [SMC](#)

- Click [here](#) for the 2022-2023 school calendar.

A Prayer for Thanksgiving

Loving God,

**We turn our hearts to you on this
day for giving thanks, mindful of
your many gifts.**

For each one, we are grateful.

For each one we are blessed.

**For each one we are opened to the
abundance of your love.**

**May this Thanksgiving Day offer a
reminder to be generous with others,
as you are with us.**

We praise you.

We rejoice in you.

We give you thanks.

Amen.



Happy Wednesday!

As has been shared in the past couple of newsletters, one of the ways we are WALKING WITH JESUS this month is by stocking the food pantries of the Catholic Community of Waukesha. The donations to the parish food pantries this year have been very low, and they desperately need inventory. The items most needed by the pantries are listed in the "Food Drive" section below. They need our help! Please consider WALKING WITH JESUS by donating to the food pantries to help those most in need during the upcoming holidays and winter months.



Monday, November 21, marks the one-year anniversary of the tragedy that occurred at the Waukesha Christmas Parade. As a school and parish community, we want to honor the lives lost, support those still healing, and pray together as a community. Therefore, the following will take place on Monday, November 21:

- St. Mary Campus, along with the CMH students, will attend a brief prayer service and moment of silence to be held on the CMH track at 10:40 am. However, we recognize that this may be too difficult and emotional for some students. If you would prefer your child not attend this prayer service, please email Debby Dunk (ddunk@waukeshacatholic.org), and your child will stay back at school during that time. Please know families and community members are welcome to attend, as well.
- St. William Campus will have a brief moment of silence during our morning announcements and prayer.
- The Catholic Community of Waukesha will hold a prayer service at 4:39 pm at St. Joseph. All school families are invited to participate.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for the following concerts:

- Tuesday, December 6: 6th-8th grade Band Concert at 6:30 pm at the Waukesha South High School auditorium.
- Monday, December 19: K3-5th grade and Middle School Choir Christmas Concert, 6:30 pm at the Waukesha South High School auditorium.
- More details about arrival times and other logistics will be provided in a future Campus Connection.

Finally, we are seeing a lot more illness among students and staff as of late. As a reminder, our policy states that students/staff with symptoms of infectious illness, including COVID-19, should stay home and are strongly encouraged to get tested for COVID-19. Fever, nausea, rashes, diarrhea, earache, cough, etc., are symptoms that parents should have checked before sending a child to school. For illnesses other than COVID-19, students and staff should remain home until symptoms improve AND they are free of fever, diarrhea, and vomiting for 24 hours without the use of medication. Keeping sick children home significantly reduces the spread of illness among our school community. Thank you in advance for your help!

As we don't have school next Wednesday, and therefore no Campus Connection, I want to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving!

Blessings,

Lisa Kovaleski

FOOD DRIVE

The food pantries of the Catholic Community of Waukesha are very much in need of our help. Unfortunately, donations to the food pantries are down this year, and they are very low on necessities right now. Let's do what we can to help those in need this holiday season by filling the shelves with the following items:

- Spaghetti Sauce
- Spaghetti Noodles
- Chunky Soup



- Canned Fruit
- Jelly (Strawberry)
- Crackers (Goldfish, Wheat Thins, Etc.)
- Packaged Cookies
- Granola Bars
- Pancake Mix
- Syrup
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Dish Soap
- Bar Soap
- Hand Soap
- Laundry Soap
- Toilet Paper
- Tissue Box
- Paper Towel
- Monetary Donations

[Food Drive Flyer](#) - feel free to print and share with family and friends!

Donations can be brought to school, and we will make sure to get them to the pantries at each parish. Thank you in advance for your help!

FROM DEVELOPMENT...

AUCTION PLANNING MEETING TOMORROW NIGHT!

Would you like to help plan the biggest party of the year? Join us **tomorrow night** Thursday, November 17, in the Community Room of St. William Campus at 7:00 pm for a 2023 "Game On" Dinner and Auction planning meeting. Find out how you can help make a difference for our school community to raise critical funds for Waukesha Catholic. All are welcome!



What: 2023 Dinner and Auction Planning Meeting

When: Thursday, November 15, 2022 at 7:00 pm

Where: St. William Campus Community Room



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING TONIGHT

- Our next Board of Directors Meeting is tonight at 6:00 pm at St. William Campus

All Board of Directors meetings for the 2022-2023 school year are listed on the Waukesha Catholic website. You may also access last year's board minutes by clicking the red button located on the School Board page.

KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 10:00-11:00 AM

Our Waukesha Catholic School families are the best at recruiting new students to our school! When prospective families contact the Admissions Office for the first time, they often tell us that they were referred by a current school family. For that we are grateful!



Our annual Kindergarten Open House is scheduled this Friday, November 18, from 10:00-11:00 am at our St. William Campus. This event is for families who would be new to Waukesha Catholic. It is our hope that you will invite your friends, family, or colleagues to our Kindergarten Open House who may have children ready to start K3, K4, or K5. [Please share this link with them so that they can register for the Open House](#). All families who attend the event will have the opportunity to get ahead of wait lists by preregistering for the 2023-2024 school year.

If you, or your family or friends, have any questions about our Kindergarten programs or this event, please reach out to Mrs. Meghan D. Gorzalski, Director of Admissions and Marketing at mgorzalski@waukeshacatholic.org or at 262-896-2929 ext. 1326.

<https://www.waukeshacatholic.org/kindergarten-open-house-2022>



Save the date for the St. Nick Social presented by Home & School. This family-friendly event will take place Friday, December 2, from 6:00-7:30 pm held at the St. Mary Campus Community Room. Plan on joining us for a fun evening of Christmas cheer! More details to follow.

COACHES/COORDINATORS NEEDED FOR CHESS CLUB AND FORENSICS

We are looking to re-establish a Forensics Club for grades 6-8 and, and for the first time, form a Chess Club for grades 3-8. In years past, we had an outstanding, and award winning forensics program. Our former coach/coordinator, Dean Chyla, is willing to be an assistant coach this year to help a new coach/coordinator restart the program. The Forensics Club would begin as soon as we have a coach/coordinator in place.

We are also looking for someone to act as a coach for a Chess Club that we plan to start in January. An ideal coach would be able to manage the instructional side of the Chess Club, teaching the students both the fundamentals of chess and different strategies. Other individuals have already stepped forward to help with organizing the club.

Anyone who is interested in helping in these roles can contact Mr. Heinecke at jheinecke@waukeshacatholic.org. All individuals helping with either of these programs must be fully compliant with the Archdiocese's Safe Environment requirements.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

December Band Concert

- The Middle School Band Concert is scheduled for Tuesday, December 6, 2022 at 6:30 pm at Waukesha South High School. This concert includes students in grades 6-8 only.

Christmas Choir Concert

- The Christmas Choir Concert is scheduled for Monday, December 19, 2022 at 6:30 pm at Waukesha South High School. This concert will include students in grades K3-5, and the Middle School Choir.

WANTED: KNIGHTS TRADING POST DONATIONS

Items Needed For The Knights Trading Post (PBIS Store)

Over the last few weeks, our students have been busy earning Knights Kash by demonstrating positive behavior in a wide variety of ways. Soon, our students will have their first opportunity to visit the Knights Trading Post, using their Knights Kash as currency to purchase various items. Each campus will have its own Trading Post.

If you've been looking for a good reason to do some fall cleaning and have been wondering what to do with things your children no longer play with, we could use some help stocking each of the Knights Trading Posts! If you have anything at home that would make a fun item for a student to purchase, we will gladly take it! Some items that our students would enjoy include:

Play Jewelry,
Small Hot Wheel Cars,
Sports-themed Items,
Dolls,
Gently-used Sporting Equipment,
Like-new and Cleaned Stuffed Animals,
Books,
Toys,
Coloring and Puzzle Books,
Pens, Pencils, and Markers,
Small denomination gift cards to places like Culver's, Barnes and Noble, Target, Jimmy Johns, or any other business that would be of interest to our students,
Any other items you think our students may like

Items can be sent to either school office. Please mark them "Knights Trading Post". Thank you in advance for your donations!



Raise Days start tomorrow! On Thursday, November 17 and Friday, November 18 earn bonuses on eGift cards and reloads on 150+ brands. You can pay for your order by sending in a check to the school office, or pay directly with a bank account or credit card (a small fee applies).

There will not be a Scrip Order on Monday, November 21 because of the Thanksgiving holiday. The next Scrip order is due Monday, November 28 at noon for delivery on Thursday, December 1.

Order your Scrip cards now to use when you shop for your Christmas gifts! 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 D62CEALE114 to register.

Do you have questions about the Scrip Program? Contact Charlotte, our Scrip Coordinator, at scrip@waukeshacatholic.org or 262-896-2929 ext. 1331 for more information.

HOT LUNCH NIBBLES AND NOTES

Want to avoid the fees on your hot lunch account? You can also send payments in to school in an envelope marked with your child(ren)'s name(s) to the attention of 'Hot Lunch'. Checks should be made out to Waukesha Catholic. Thank you for your participation in our hot lunch program!



November Menu Link: [November Menu Revised](#)
Volunteer Opportunities in Hot Lunch: [SMC](#) / [SWC](#)

CAMPUS UPDATES

[ST. WILLIAM CAMPUS \(CLICK HERE\)](#)

[ST. MARY CAMPUS \(CLICK HERE\)](#)

ATHLETIC INFORMATION

Congratulations to all of our volleyball teams on a great season! An email will come out this week with the uniform check-in dates and times.

8th-Grade Girls – Tied 4th in conference; SETON quarterfinalists

**7th-Grade Girls "A" – 1st (10-0) in conference; 1st place SJV, St. Leonard and St. Dominic
Tournaments**

6th-Grade Girls – 4th in conference; 2nd place St. Leonard Tourney

5th-Grade Girls (Bailey) – 4th in conference; 1st place St. Leonard Tourney

5th-Grade Girls (Brock) – 1st (10-0) in conference; 1st place SMHC and 2nd place SJV Tournaments

8th-Grade Boys – 2nd (8-2) in conference; 4th Place SETON; 1st place St. Leonard Tourney

7th-Grade Boys – 1st in Silver bracket St. Dominic Tourney

6th/5th Grade Boys – 3rd place St. Leonard Tourney

Congratulations to our 8th-grade boys and girls volleyball teams on their successful results in the Elizabeth Seton Volleyball Championships! The boys finished in 4th place overall (5-2 record) and earned the school's first FINAL FOUR appearance since 2018! The girls won their first two matches before falling in the quarterfinals in a thrilling five-set match and finished the tournament with a 2-1 record. We are so proud of all of our players and coaches on an amazing season and outstanding volleyball careers at Waukesha Catholic!

THANK YOU to all of our students and parents who helped out at the Elizabeth Seton Volleyball Championships! Over 6,800 people attended or volunteered during the Seton week, in addition to almost 750 players and 150 coaches from 74 teams. We appreciate all those who helped us make The Seton the amazing event it is and helping us raise funds for the Waukesha County Catholic School Tuition Assistance Fund, The Foundation for Religious Retirement, and Waukesha Catholic Athletics.

8th-Grade vs Parents/Teachers Volleyball Game

The 8th-grade volleyball teams vs parents/coaches/teachers volleyball game will be held on Tuesday, November 22 from 2:25-3:05 pm in the St. Mary's gym. Families of 8th-grade players are welcome to attend and participate (please check in at the main school office).

Basketball Uniforms - an email will be sent to all families this week regarding dates/times to check-out basketball uniforms for the season. Uniforms will be collected again at the end of the season.

Basketball Schedules: League schedules will be out likely the week of Thanksgiving. Games will begin the weekend of December 3 and 4, and should conclude the last weekend in February except for 8th graders invited to the Padre Serra Tournament (which will be held in March).

- Click [October 2022 Knights Blog](#) for their post.

COMMUNITY MESSENGER

REGISTER YOUR STUDENT TODAY FOR THE CMH MUSICAL KIDS CAST!

- Open to all 1st-8th graders!
- First Rehearsal: Saturday, December 10, 2022, 9:00 am–12:00 pm (Parent Meeting: 9:15–10:00 am)

All are welcome to join this non-cut group to elevate your singing, dancing, acting, and stage skills as a part of the CMH Musical Kids Cast. This year, the Kids Cast is being directed by Nick Bailey, along with choreographer Molly Krewal and vocal director Karen Flesses!

Sign Up here: <https://www.catholicmemorial.net/admissions/youth-programs/kids-cast-registration/>

MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL

Marquette University High School Flyer - click [here](#).

CMH OPPORTUNITY

Attention boys in 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grades!

Interested in wrestling this season? Catholic Memorial Jr. Crusader wrestling registration is now open.

Boys interested in registering, or for more information use this link: <https://jrcrusader.sportngin.com/register/form/528180977>

CATHOLIC MEMORIAL JUNIOR CRUSADERS WRESTLING

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!
OPEN TO ALL CURRENT 1st - 8th GRADERS

WHERE THE TOUGH GET TOUGHER

Emphasis on basic foundations of folkstyle wrestling, learning to be competitive and accountable, and a heavy emphasis on having fun while keeping fit!

Registration Fee | \$125

PRACTICE SCHEDULE

- 1st - 8th grade
- Practices start December 1st
- December 1, 2022 - March 15, 2023
- Monday - 7:30 - 9:00 pm
- Wednesday - 7:30 - 9:00 pm

- Practices start December 1st
- Practices are at Catholic Memorial High School
6912 College Ave. Round Bay, WI
- Collaboration with Head CMH Wrestling Coach
Michael Schuch and current CMH wrestlers

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!
www.catholicmemorial.net/junior-crusader-wrestling/

Photo: Wrestling match in progress.

HEALING HEARTS OF SOUTHEAST WISCONSIN

Family Grief Support Groups

- Children and Teens explore, learn, and heal through grief together in guided peer groups with other kids their age.
- Parents/Caregivers participate in separate groups with adults.
- Loss due to death, divorce, trauma, abandonment, incarceration, or other life-altering events.
- A meal is served.
- Participation is Free.

WHEN: Thursday nights starting Nov 10 - Dec 22, 2022 6:00-7:00pm

WHERE: Good Shepherd United Methodist Church 800 Lake Drive Oconomowoc, WI 53086

HOW: Register through the Healing Hearts website, or call 262.751.9874.

www.healingheartswisconsin.org

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Children, teens, and families have an opportunity for free grief group sessions in Oconomowoc on Thursday, November 10. These sessions offer the chance to safely and reliably connect with others in these guided, age-based grief groups.

Whether suffering from the loss of a loved one, divorce, abandonment, addiction, incarceration, or military deployment, children and families all have a place to connect with others their age, and learn, and heal with Healing Hearts of Southeast Wisconsin. Click [here](#) for more information.