

Campus Connection

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Waukesha
Catholic SCHOOL
SYSTEM

~ 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, March 2: SMC/SWC - 8th-grade to SWC for Read Across America Dr. Seuss Day; SMC - Parent lunch rescheduled from Thursday, February 16: A-D, 11:30 am-12:00 pm; E-K, 12:05-12:35 pm;

Stations of the Cross 2:30-3:10 pm, St. Mary Church; Home & School Meeting at SM Parish Center, 6:00 pm

Friday, March 3: SWC - Mass at 9:00 am led by Ms. George's 2-2 class; SMC - Adoration, grades 3-5 at 10:15-10:35 am, and grades 6-8 at 10:45-11:05 am; SMC/SWC - Early dismissal day, 11:20 am/SMC; 11:40 am/SWC; End of Second Trimester

Monday, March 6: SMC - Padre Serra Pep Rally at 2:40 pm; Scrip orders due by noon; Athletic Board Meeting at 6:30 pm via Zoom

Wednesday, March 8: SMC - Mass at 8:35 am; Reconciliation grades 3-8



March 2023 Campus Calendars

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

- Click [here](#) for the 2022-23 school calendar.

Kovaleski's Keynote

Happy Wednesday!

The Catholic Community of Waukesha and Waukesha Catholic are proud to support five agencies throughout Lent. Each week we will focus on collecting monetary donations or specific items for one of the five organizations. Donations can be brought to school or dropped off at church when you come for Mass each weekend.

- **This week, we are collecting monetary donations, along with toilet paper, paper towels, and laundry detergent pods for the Hebron House.** For more than 40 years, Hebron Housing Services has been an advocate and resource for those struggling with homelessness in our community.

Our Lenten Path - Walking with Jesus to the Cross:

- **Wednesday, March 1st** - Pray - Decorate a cross to put in your bedroom or on your refrigerator. When you see it, ask God to bless your family with love.
- **Thursday, March 2nd** - Pray - Read a bible story. Share it with your family.
- **Friday, March 3rd** - Fast from junk food. Eat fruits and vegetables to help keep your body healthy.
- **Saturday, March 4th** - Give Alms - Give some of your toys to charity.
- **Sunday, March 5th** - **Celebrate the Second Sunday of Lent**
- **Monday March 6th** - Give Alms - Put a coin in your almsgiving envelope for each piece of fruit you eat this week. Thank God that you have healthy foods to eat.
- **Tuesday March 7th** - Give Alms - Thank the person who made your lunch today. Have a great big smile on your face when you thank them.

A few additional updates:

- **Inclement Weather/Snow Days update:** As you are aware we have had 2 1/2 days off of school thus far this year due to inclement weather. After review of our instructional minutes, grades K3-7 will not need to make up any of those days. Our 8th-grade students will need to make up

some time, however, due to the fact they finish the school year a few days ahead of the rest of the students. A separate email will be sent to 8th-grade parents explaining how/when this will take place. Please note: If we have any additional unplanned days off of school this year, all grades would be required to make-up that time.

- **Long-term Substitutes Needed:** We are still in need for long-term substitutes for middle school ELA beginning mid-March through the end of the school year and K3-K5 Physical Education beginning mid-end of April for the remainder of the year. If you know anyone that might be interested in one of these positions, please refer them to the job postings at the following links:
 - <https://www.archmil.org/Jobs-2.0/Middle-School-English-Language-Arts-Long-term-Substitute.htm>
 - <https://www.archmil.org/Jobs-2.0/Physical-Education-Long-term-Substitute.htm>

Thank you for all you do for Waukesha Catholic.

Blessings,
Lisa Kovaleski

Registration Links

- [Registration Letter](#)
- [Online Registration Form for 2023-24 School Year](#)
- [Financial Information Sheet](#)
- [Letter to parents of students entering K4, K5, and 1st grade in the 2023-24 School Year](#)

If you would prefer paper forms instead of using online registration, please contact Mrs. Brown at the St. William Campus (wbrown@waukeshacatholic.org) or Mrs. Dunk at the St. Mary Campus (ddunk@waukeshacatholic.org).

Waukesha Catholic News



****Mark Your Calendars!****

Our very first STEM OPEN HOUSE will be held on Tuesday, March 14 at St. Mary Campus from 4:00-6:00 pm. This is a drop-in event for ALL ages and parents to learn about and try out several STEM activities. The STEM Open House will be held in the lower level, Library area. We look forward to seeing you!

Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP)

Attention parents of students entering K4, K5, or 1st Grade (in the 2023-24 school year): Waukesha Catholic will continue to participate in the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program for the 2023-24 school year. The Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP) allows students to attend Waukesha Catholic, tuition-free, if certain eligibility criteria are met. Waukesha Catholic, on behalf of the pupil's parent or guardian, receives a state aid payment for each eligible student. That aid payment or "voucher" covers the entire cost of the eligible student's tuition. The open application period to apply for the WPCP ends on **Thursday, April 20, 2023**. The application and more information can be found at: <https://sms.dpi.wi.gov/ChoiceParent/>. If you have any questions or need help in any way, please reach out to Meghan D. Gorzalski, Director of Admissions and Marketing at: mgorzalski@waukeshacatholic.org or 262-896-2929, ext. 1326

Attention Current WPCP Families: The WPCP Application portal is now open. If your family currently has a WPCP voucher, please log onto your WPCP account and check in for the year. Review your family profile, update addresses (if applicable), and complete your 2023-24 application for the new school year. **Every current WPCP family must complete this step.** You will not need to provide your financial information again unless you are adding a new student from your family. You are required to provide proof of residency. Please send a current form of residency documentation to Meghan D. Gorzalski, Director of Admissions and Marketing, via email or in a sealed envelope to the school office. Proof of residency for current WPCP families must be sent to Meghan as soon as possible, but no later than Thursday, April 20, 2023. If sending via email, feel free to take a clear photograph of a 2022 W2, a current electric, water, or cable bill dated January 2023-April 20, 2023 to Meghan D. Gorzalski at: mgorzalski@waukeshacatholic.org

[Follow this link to complete your check in for the year.](#)

If you have any questions, or need help in any way, please reach out to Meghan D. Gorzalski, Director of Admissions and Marketing at: mgorzalski@waukeshacatholic.org or 262-896-2929, ext. 1326.

Home & School Event - Mark Your Calendars!

Home & School will once again host the Saz's Fish Fry at Western Lakes Golf Club on Friday, March 31! Waukesha Catholic receives 10% of all sales from the date of the event. If you choose to dine in or order out, you do NOT need to mention Waukesha Catholic as sales from the entire night will go towards our donation!

OpenTable will be open for reservations and online ordering a month out from our event date (Friday, March 31). Reservations are not required but are highly recommended as we have seen these become more popular year after year. The restaurant is open from 4:00-8:00 pm (the last reservation can be taken at 8:00 pm). Use this link <https://sazs.com/wlgcfishfry/> or click on the Saz's Fish Fry logo above to make a reservation. We look forward to seeing you there!!





Congratulations Band Students!

Congratulations to Waukesha Catholic band members Clare B., Cecilia H., and Cait and Jack O.! They were selected by directors of the November UWM Middle Level Honors Band festival to participate in UW-Milwaukee Youth Wind Ensembles (UWAY) All-Stars Band in February. The band rehearsed twice and then performed a concert at UW-Milwaukee. The All-Stars band is

composed of the most talented musicians from the November festival. We are very proud of our Waukesha Catholic musicians. Way to go!

Before and After Care Position Open

We are looking to hire a Before and After Care position at our St. Mary Campus. You can make it work for your schedule! Afternoon shift 3:10-6:00 pm. Work as much or as little as you want. This is an ideal job for a college student, retired person, or someone just wanting a great part-time position that is fun and rewarding! Please email care@waukeshacatholic.org for more information, and to set up an interview.



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 2022 Schedule PS Tuition Tax Form. 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 2022 calendar year.

Step 1: Sign in to FACTS at <https://online.factsmgt.com>

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. 1327 to get your login information.

Hot Lunch Nibbles and Notes

Reminder of Hot Lunch Policy:

Low Balance reminders and replenish rules are allowed to be set by parents in [School Payment Portal](#). **We ask that all accounts be kept above \$5.00.** At a negative balance, an invoice will be sent home in the Wednesday folder until a deposit or payment is made. Please pay close attention to see if money is owed or your balance is low.



Check out the January [newsletter](#) from MCFI with great recipes, fitness, and health tips for the month!

Want to avoid the fees on your hot lunch account? You can also send payments 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!

[March 2023 Menu](#)

Volunteer Opportunities in Hot Lunch: [SMC](#) / [SWC](#)

Campus Updates

[St. William Campus \(Click Here\)](#)

[St. Mary Campus \(Click Here\)](#)

Athletics

Track sign-up for interested 5th-8th grade students is going on now through Friday, March 17. All families should have received an email from the Athletic Director with the needed forms attached. If you would like hard copies sent home (in either English or Spanish) or have any questions, please email Bill Serb, Athletic Director, at athleticdirector@waukeshacatholic.org. All forms can be returned to the Athletic Director at the St. Mary's Campus Office. See the attached track information form for more information. The season will start the week of March 27.

- [Waukesha Catholic 2023 Track Information](#)
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Scrip News (RaiseRight)

Raise Days coming tomorrow! On Thursday, March 2 and Friday, March 3 earn big with special bonuses on eGift cards and reloads! Order on Thursday and Friday to receive the bonuses and pay with a check next Monday, or pay with your bank account or credit card and your order will be available right away!

The next Scrip order is due Monday, March 6 at noon for delivery on Thursday, March 9.

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.

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.

Board of Directors March Meeting



- The next Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 22 at St. Mary Campus.

All are welcome to attend. Waukesha Catholic Board of Directors members will make themselves available from 5:30-6:00 pm to meet with parents/guardians of present and perspective students.

Community Messenger

Attention Boys Currently Enrolled in Grades 3-7

Interested in playing football this fall? **Catholic Memorial Jr. Crusader football registration is now open.** All of our coaches are USA Football and Safeguarding Certified.

To register, and for more information, use this link:

<https://jr Crusader.sportngincom/register/form/824380082>

Click [here](#) for a copy of the flyer.



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