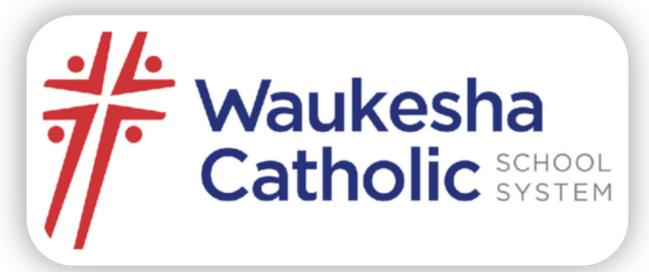
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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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, March 7 - Wednesday, March 13

Friday, March 8: Report Cards uploaded today

- SWC Prayer Service at 9:00 am led by Mrs. Thorpe's K4B class
 - Stations of the Cross at 2:45 pm led by 1st Grade
- SMC Adoration for grades 3-5, 10:45-11:05 am, and 11:15-11:35 pm for grades 6-8

Saturday, March 9: Padre Serra Tournament begins through Sunday, March 24

Sunday, March 10: Fourth Sunday of Lent

• Spring Forward! Turn your clocks ahead one hour

Monday, March 11: Scrip orders due by noon

• Culver's Night on Sunset Dr, 5:00-8:00 pm

Wednesday, March 13:

• SMC - Mass at 8:35 am

March Campus Calendars

- SWC
- SMC

2023-2024 School Calendar



KOVALESKI'S KEYNOTE

THIS WEEK'S HOLY MOMENTS PROMPT IS:

Listen to music that feeds your soul.

ENCOUNTER CHRIST IN HOLY MOMENTS!

This Week's Video

Music is a powerful influence in life. It impacts how you think, how you see the world, and your emotions. Choose the music you listen to wisely and this week, make sure it's music that feeds your soul. And remember, some moments are holy. Some moments are unholy. And you get to decide!

Tips to Create This Holy Moment:

- Ask your friends for their most inspiring music recommendations, make a playlist, and share it!
- Sing at church and really focus on the lyrics.
- Go through your favorite playlists and delete songs that aren't a Holy Moment.

Please continue to discuss the Holy Moment prompt each day/week and fill out the 40 Days of Holy Moments Pathway Activity Sheet each time you or a family member has Encountered Christ in a Holy Moment.

Additional Updates/Reminders:

 Almsgiving: Together The Catholic Community of Waukesha and Waukesha Catholic are supporting the St. Vincent de Paul Society this Lent through monetary and non-perishable food donations. Donations will be split between the four active conferences at each of the parishes. If you choose to make a monetary donation, please put it in an envelope labeled St. Vincent de Paul Lenten Alms. All checks should be made out to St. Vincent de Paul.

WAUKESHA CATHOLIC NEWS

Online Registration Form for 2024-25 (Click Here!)

Priority Registration Has Ended For Existing Families

Click the button above for the online registration form. Click below for the financial links regarding registration for the 2024-25 school year. Please note that you may complete the electronic Online Registration Form using the button above, or if you would prefer paper forms, please contact Mrs. Dunk at the St. Mary Campus or Mrs. Brown at the St. William Campus.

Priority registration for existing families has ended and is now open to new families. Remember that your child is not considered registered until the <u>online form is complete AND a \$100 deposit</u> <u>has been paid</u> to the business office. If you are unsure whether or not you have paid your registration fee please contact the business office at 262-896-2929 ext. 5204.

- Registration Letter from Ms. Kovaleski
- Financial Information Sheet
- Letter to parents of students entering K4, K5, 1st in the 2024-25 School Year
- <u>Tuition Assistance Information</u>

JOIN US FOR STEM NIGHT ON THURSDAY, MARCH 14

St. Mary Campus will be hosting a fun-filled STEM night from 4:00-6:00 pm on Thursday, March 14. This event is for ALL Waukesha Catholic students and their families to explore and enjoy different activities in the STEM fields of science, technology, engineering, and math. Please enter through the gym doors on the north side of the building.



Waukesha Catholic

STEM NIGHT

"Celebrate Pi Day!"

March 14, 2024

St. Mary's Gym

St. Mary Campus, 520 E. Newhall 4:00-6:00 PM

(Drop-in Times) Students (ALL ages) And

Their Parents St. Mary's Gym

Seton Scholarship Information

Each year, the Seton Volleyball Tournament benefits The Waukesha County Catholic Elementary Schools Tuition Assistance Fund, which is used to make Catholic school education a real possibility for those students who may not otherwise be able to afford full tuition. All families whose children attend a Catholic school in



Waukesha County are eligible to apply. A limited number of \$1,000 grants will be awarded. Your child/school did not have to be in the tournament to apply. Go to this link for a copy of the application: https://www.theseton.net/page/show/1997587-scholarship-information. All applications must be received by Monday, April 1, 2024. Notifications will be made in late April.



2024-25 School Calendar

We are in the process of finalizing the school calendar for the 2024-25 school year. We hope to publish all "important dates" in the next several weeks. However, there are two sets of dates we wanted to share with you now regarding next school year's calendar as they are different than how we traditionally calendar.

Due to Easter being so late next year (April 20, 2025), our Spring Break in 2025 will be March 24-28. It will NOT be the week after Easter. Catholic Memorial and the School District of Waukesha will also have this week off. Then, at Easter, we will have off on Good Friday (April 18, 2025) and Easter Monday (April 21, 2025). Please note: the dates mentioned here are for next school year, Spring Break, and Easter 2025.

HOME & SCHOOL CORNER

Action Needed

We are looking for coordinators for our next events! Thank you to those who have already signed up! Communications will be coming soon to begin planning.

However, there are a few open slots to ensure that these events are successful. Please take a moment to see if you are available to help for any of these events and sign up with the link below.

- Middle School Social (Friday, April 12, 2024)
- Administrative Assistant Appreciation Day (Wednesday, April 24, 2024)
- Teacher Appreciation Week (May 6-10, 2024)

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

Mark Your Calendar For 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, March 11 —————This coming Monday!
- Monday, April 8
- Monday, May 13

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 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. 5204 to get your login information.

Hot Lunch Nibbles and Notes

You can still add lunches for **March**! (Cutoff is six days before Serving Date) https://www.schoolpaymentportal.com/Login.aspx

• Menu: March

Hot Lunch can always use an extra set of hands! If you have a free lunch hour, please consider volunteering!

SMC: <u>SMC Hot Lunch Volunteers</u>
 SWC: <u>SWC Hot Lunch Volunteers</u>

Better Options for Busy People

Everyday life can be incredibly stressful and busy. Some of us may need to rely on convenience options to feed ourselves or our families. Over the years many fast food restaurants have worked to incorporate healthier options into their menus.

Try these "better for you" options the next time you are at your favorite fast food restaurant!

1. Wendy's- Chicken Salads or Wraps



- Chick-fil-A

 Grilled chicken nuggets, chicken salads, and multi-grain breakfast oatmeal
- Taco Bell-order any item "fresco style" to reduce calories and fat by up to 25% by replacing cheese and sour cream with fresh cut tomatoes

These options can also be made at home to amp up the freshness even more! Try topping homemade tacos with plain low fat Greek yogurt instead of sour cream for more



yogurt instead of sour cream for more protein and less fat!



Board of Directors Meeting

The next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 27 at St. William Campus at 6:00 pm.

RaiseRight (formerly Scrip)

Spring is almost here! Check out the gift cards that are available to shop for warmer weather clothes and Easter outfits! Gift cards can also be tucked into Easter baskets! Planning a Trip for Easter Break? Explore travel gift cards for flights, hotels, gas stations, restaurants, and more!



Place your Scrip order by Monday, March 11 at noon for delivery on Thursday, March 14.

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.

Athletics

SPIRIT WEAR

The Waukesha Catholic Booster Club is running a spring spirit wear sale now through Wednesday, March 13. Items are available at: https://www.kmsportsusa.com/waukesha-catholic/

Families participating in track are not required to purchase anything for track season. However, the red track warm-up shirt may be worn over or instead of the track uniform shirt at meets if you choose to purchase one. Other items are great for staying warm at meets or showing your support as spectators at meets.

If you have questions, please contact Rebecca Harvey, Booster Club President at: rlharvey28@gmail.com

Congratulations to the following teams on an outstanding league basketball season!

- 8th-Grade Girls (Coach Drosen) 1st Place Don Bosco Division
- 5th-Grade Boys 1st Place (tie) Don Bosco Division
- 8th-Grade Girls (Coach Frea) 2nd Place Notre Dame Division
- 7th-Grade Boys (Coach Breicha) 2nd Place Notre Dame Division
- 6th-Grade Girls 2nd Place Don Bosco Blue Division
- 5th-Grade Girls 3rd Place Don Bosco Division.

<u>PADRE SERRA TOURNAMENT</u> - Congratulations to the Waukesha Catholic boys and girls basketball teams on earning their invitation to the Padre Serra Tournament! The full bracket will be released soon at https://thepadreserra.org/.

Friday, March 15 at 6:30 pm Waukesha Catholic Girls vs St. Charles-Hartland Sunday, March 17 at 1:45 pm Waukesha Catholic Boys vs TBD (St. Jerome/Bruno or Christ Child Academy)

All games are at Dominican High School 120 E. Silver Spring Drive, Whitefish Bay, WI

2024 TRACK SEASON for 5th-8th grade boys and girls will begin on Monday, March 25. Each team will practice either Mondays and Wednesdays or Mondays and Thursdays (still waiting on Thursday confirmation) from 5:30-7:30 pm at Waukesha South High School. Our first track meet will be our indoor meet at Waukesha South on Saturday, April 13.

Please see the handout in this week's school packets for more track information, including how to sign up, a tentative meet schedule, and a list of teams that still need coaching help.

Sign-up forms can be found at:

English forms: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/15n840TuGtBR47qsFNL8n78Y60cgLNz40?

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Spanish forms: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Dx9BSfdWapj7bVYzysRkbnhilXkH9l29?

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Campus Updates

St. William Campus (Click here)

St. Mary Campus (Click here)

COMMUNITY MESSENGER





Event Registration

Join us for the third annual Christmas Clearing Council of Waukesha County Jingle Bell Jog and Walk on Sunday, August 4, 2024, at The Ingleside Hotel. The event begins at 9:00 am and includes a 5K run, 2-mile walk, and a free kids fun run (ages 10 and under).

Early bird registration is \$20 per person through Sunday, March 31. Price increases to \$25 starting Monday, April 1, and \$35 on Tuesday, July 16.

All money raised will support CCC's yearly mission of providing low-income children in Waukesha County a magical Christmas.

For more information and to sign up, visit https://www.christmasclearingcouncil.org/jinglebelljog or click on the button above.

Sponsorship opportunities are available. Scroll to the bottom of the event registration page or email <u>Sarah.Hein@christmasclearingcouncil.org</u> for more information.

The race is chip-timed by Trackside Timing and Event Management, Inc.









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 companion.

Father "nose" best... A Lesson in Listening to Your Parents!



