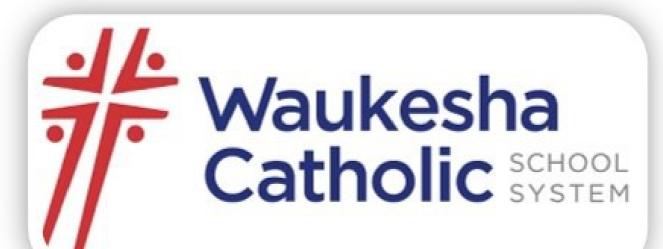
Campus Connection

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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, March 9: Non-uniform Day; SMC - Chess Club, 3:30-4:30 pm **Friday, March 10:** SWC - Prayer Service at 9:00 am led by Miss Schenk's K4B class; Report cards uploaded for grades 1-8 Sunday, March 12: Spring Forward to Daylight Saving Time - move your clocks ahead one hour
Monday, March 13: No Scrip orders this week
Tuesday, March 14: SWC - STEM Activity Day; SMC - Grade 6
Retreat on campus; WC STEM Night, 4:00-6:00 pm
Wednesday, March 15: SMC - Mass at 8:35 am
Friday, March 17: NO SCHOOL/Teacher In-Service; Happy St. Patrick's Day!



March 2023 Campus Calendars

- <u>SWC</u>
- <u>SMC</u>
- 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 16 oz canned fruit, flavored oatmeal, and body wash/soap for the Women's Center. The mission of The Women's Center is to provide safety, shelter, and support to empower all impacted by domestic abuse, sexual violence, child abuse, and trafficking.

Our Lenten Path - Walking with Jesus to the Cross:

- Wednesday, March 8th Pray Write a prayer of Thanksgiving. Share it with your family at dinnertime.
- Thursday, March 9th Pray Read about a Saint. Share what you learned with your family.
- Friday, March 10th Fast Fast from whining. Make an effort to say positive things.
- Saturday, March 11th Fast Fast from being lazy. Exercise to help keep your body healthy.
- Celebrate the Third Sunday of Lent on March 12th
- Monday, March 13th Give Alms Count the number of books that you have. Put a coin in your almsgiving envelope for each one. Challenge your family to do the same.
- **Tuesday, March 14th** Pray Read from the bible 1 Peter 4:10 "As each has received a gift, employ it for one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." Reflect on how to share your gifts with others.

An additional update:

• **Report Cards:** 2nd Trimester report cards for grades 1-8 will be uploaded to PowerSchool this Friday, March 10. They will be available to view after 3:00 pm. To view report cards, login to the Parent Portal of PowerSchool using a web browser. Report cards are NOT viewable through the PowerSchool app. Report cards can be found in the "Student Reports" section of the left-

hand side menu. If you have misplaced your login information, or are having difficulty logging in to your Parent Portal account, please contact Mr. Heinecke at <u>jheinecke@waukeshacatholic.org</u>.

Thank you for all you do for Waukesha Catholic.

Blessings, Lisa Kovaleski

Registration Links

- <u>Registration Letter</u>
- 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 (<u>wbrown@waukeshacatholic.org</u>) or Mrs. Dunk at the St. Mary Campus (<u>ddunk@waukeshacatholic.org</u>).

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: <u>https://sms.dpi.wi.gov/ChoiceParent/</u>. 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: <u>mgorzalski@waukeshacatholic.org</u>

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: <u>mgorzalski@waukeshacatholic.org</u> 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 <u>https://sazs.com/wlgcfishfry/</u> or click on the Saz's Fish Fry logo above to make a reservation. We look forward to seeing you there!!

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: <u>https://www.theseton.net/page/show/1997587</u>-scholarship-information. All applications must be received by Saturday, April 1, 2023. Notifications will be made in late April.

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 <u>care@waukeshacatholic.org</u> 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 <u>here</u> 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.

Good Luck Students!

Good luck to the following Waukesha Catholic students and their respective teams in the WAHA State Hockey Championships this weekend:

- Cameron G.
- Tommy G.
- Carson T.
- Matt V.

Hot Lunch Nibbles and Notes

Reminder of Hot Lunch Policy:

Low Balance reminders and replenish rules are allowed to be set by parents in <u>School Payment Portal</u>. <u>We ask that all accounts be kept</u> <u>above \$5.00</u>. 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 <u>newsletter</u> 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: <u>SMC</u> / <u>SWC</u>

Campus Updates

St. William Campus (Click Here)

St. Mary Campus (Click Here)

Athletics

<u>Track sign-up</u> 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 <u>athleticdirector@waukeshacatholic.org</u>. 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



All Waukesha Catholic Families...

Below is the link for the Booster Club's spring spirit wear sale. The store will be open online *only until Sunday, March 12*. There are a variety of items for your student athletes and family members to show their school spirit in gym class, as warm-ups for athletic events, and around the town to show your support for our school.

Any items ordered should be delivered before the first track meet.

FOR TRACK FAMILIES: there are <u>no</u> required items to order - the school will provide a red, shortsleeve shirt and royal blue shorts at uniform check-out the first week of the track season, which will be returned to the school at the end of the season. If you would like to order optional items, track athletes can wear the red long-sleeve warm-up shirt over their team shirt as part of the uniform or can wear their own royal (not black) shorts during the races/events. Any clothing can be layered under the uniform at cold meets or over the uniform as a warm-up.

https://www.kmsportsusa.com/welcome-waukesha-catholic/

Padre Serra Tournament

Congratulations to our 8th-grade boys A basketball team on earning an invitation to the 65th Annual Padre Serra Basketball Tournament! The boys will play their first round this Saturday, March 11 at 11:00 am vs. St. Alphonsus at St. Thomas More High School in St. Francis. More information on the tournament, including brackets, can be found here: <u>https://www.thepadreserra.org/</u>

Scrip News (RaiseRight)

Planning a Trip for Easter Break? Explore travel gift cards for flights, hotels, gas stations, restaurants, and more!

There is no order next week! The next Scrip order is due Monday, March 20 at noon for delivery on Thursday, March 23.

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 <u>www.RaiseRight.com</u>. 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 <u>scrip@waukeshacatholic.org</u> 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 prospective students.



Community Messenger

Catholic Community of Waukesha Parish Mission

The Catholic Community of Waukesha is hosting a Parish Mission with Steve Angrisano, which is scheduled for Sunday, March 19, and Monday, March 20 from 7:00-8:30 pm at St. William Church. We have included a flyer below with all the details. Please feel free to share this event and flyer with other students, parents, ministries, committees, and anyone who you'd like to invite to this amazing two-night event!

We have also included a link below for the SignUpGenius for help leading up to the event and on the Parish Mission nights themselves. We are still in need of many hands in all areas: Hospitality Contributions, Hospitality Servers, Rectory Meal Support, and Ushers and Greeters.

- Parish Mission with Steve Angrisano flyer
- Archive: Hospitality Contributions (signupgenius.com)

Thank you so much for any help that you can provide with all of this, and may God bless your Lenten Journey.

Click the MUHS logo to access this month's flyer.





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