



~ 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, April 6: SWC/SMC - Lenten Retreat at SMC; Early dismissal from SMC at 11:20 am for ALL students from St. William and St. Mary Campuses; Easter break begins

Friday, April 7 - Friday, April 14: Easter Break Monday, April 17: Classes Resume

April 2023 Campus Calendars

- SWC
- SMC
- Click here for the 2022-23 school calendar.





Kovaleski's Keynote

Happy Wednesday!

The Easter Triduum (i.e. the celebration of the Lord's Last Supper on Holy Thursday, His Passion and Death on Good Friday, and his Resurrection on Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday) is the most sacred liturgical celebration of the Church year. It teaches, as well as celebrates the love our Savior has to offer to us. "As we prepare for the Triduum, we should not lightly excuse ourselves from attending all three days, as it is the fullest ritual expression of what it means to be a

Christian." Click HERE for the Catholic Community of Waukesha Holy Week schedule: https://www.ccwauk.org/lent-times

Our Lenten Path - Walking with Jesus to the Cross:

- Wednesday, April 5: Give Alms Say kind words to a student in another class.
- **Holy Thursday, April 6:** Give Alms Help your parents by doing something above and beyond your normal chores.
- Good Friday, April 7: Fast from eating meat. Thank God for all of the other nourishing foods that you have to eat.
- Holy Saturday, April 8: Pray Spend quiet time in prayer, praising God and thanking Him for sending His Son to save us.
- Easter Sunday, April 9: Celebrate Jesus' resurrection

ADDITIONAL UPDATES/REMINDERS:

Lenten Retreat

Tomorrow, Thursday, April 6, all students from Waukesha Catholic will be participating in a Lenten retreat at **St. Mary Campus**. The morning will be devoted to prayer, reflection, and a variety of Lenten activities. **Please note that ALL students will need to be dropped off and picked up from St. Mary Campus. All bus riders will be dropped off/picked up at St. Mary, as well.** This is an early dismissal day and will follow the St. Mary Schedule, as follows:

- Drop off at St. Mary between 8:10-8:30 am
- School Day begins at 8:30 am
- Pickup at St. Mary at 11:20 am

Before Care will be available only at St. Mary Campus on the morning of Thursday, April 6.

St. William Campus - A map was provided in last week's packet that describes the drop-off and pickup procedures at St. Mary.

New Phone System - Effective April 13

A new phone system for Waukesha Catholic and the Catholic Community of Waukesha is being installed over Easter Break. This new system will allow us to communicate more efficiently across all campuses/parishes and provide us with ONE main number for Waukesha Catholic. Please note, effective the afternoon of APRIL 13, the main school number for Waukesha Catholic will change to: 262-896-2929. Please use this number when trying to contact either campus or any school staff. After break, we will provide an updated list of staff phone extensions, as well. Thank you in advance for your patience and understanding as we transition to this new system.

Thank you for all you do for Waukesha Catholic. Have a Happy and Blessed Easter!

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



Have You Entered our 52 Club Calendar Raffle?

Win **BIG** by supporting Waukesha Catholic students!! Don't miss out on a chance to win your share of over \$7,000 in cash prizes! Buy your 52 Club Calendar Raffle tickets today, and you'll be a winner for supporting Catholic education and the students of Waukesha Catholic!

Ticket packets were sent home last week, so please fill yours out and **return them by Thursday, April 13!** This will ensure that you are included in all 52 weeks of raffles, giving you 156 chances to win one of three weekly prizes of \$10, \$25, or \$100!

Can't find your packet or need more raffle tickets?

- 1. Contact Nick Bailey at nbailey@waukeshacatholic.org or 262-896-2929, ext. 1324,
- Pick up more ticket packets from the Waukesha Catholic Administrative Office, located at 221S. Hartwell Avenue, OR
- 3. Pick up additional ticket packets in any one of the Catholic Community of Waukesha churches.

And remember, 100% of your ticket purchase will go directly to our Tuition Assistance Program thanks to the generosity of **Belman Homes**. Please feel free to share our 52 Club Raffle Tickets with your family and friends and encourage them to support this very important fundraiser, so they can win, too! You and your family will have lots of fun checking the weekly parish bulletins to see if you are one of our lucky winners. Thank you for your generosity – and **GOOD LUCK!**

Don't miss the entry deadline of Thursday, April 13!

Summer School Information

The School District of Waukesha has their Summer School information available. The web address is https://sdw.waukesha.k12.wi.us. Once you are in the website scroll down to the *News* section and click on the Summer School box. On the next screen click the *CLICK HERE* link. That will take you to the Summer School information page, which is listed by grade. This section will show you the place, date, and time of the classes being offered. Some of what is available is already filling

up, so don't delay in registering your child/ren. Click <u>HERE</u> for Summer School Registration Instructions. If you need help call the District Help Desk at 262-970-1072.

Important information is outlined below:

- Summer School classes will be held at Hadfield, Hawthorne, Heyer, and Summit View.
- Summer School runs from Monday, June 19-Friday, July 14, 2023. There will be no classes on Monday, July 3 and Tuesday, July 4.
- Please visit Infinite Campus to register online. If you are unable to register online, please call the Summer School office at 262-970-1002 for assistance.
- Registration window will be from 9:00 am, Wednesday, March 22 4:00 pm, Friday, April 14.
- When registering your student, please register them with their grade placement in 2023-24.
- Bus transportation will be provided to Hadfield and Hawthorne Elementary. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information and to sign up!

The School District of Waukesha Summer School is open to all students on a voluntary basis. Enrollees must be legal residents of the district. Students not living in the district may enroll if room permits and upon payment of tuition.

FEES

RESIDENTS	NON-RESIDENTS
N/A - No fee(s)	\$189 for non-credit courses

Deadline for Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP) Fast Approaching!

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: majorzalski@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

Please Help Support the Cast and Crew of Shrek the Musical, Jr. and Future Theatrical Productions at Waukesha Catholic

Last week, you received a playbill ad form in your packets. Here is a <u>link</u> to the order form in case you need it, or for if you choose to share it with a business, family member, or friend.

Special thanks to any family or business who has already submitted and purchased ads! Our playbill is a special memento for our cast and crew each year, but it is also a fundraiser for the show and for next year's cast and crew. Even if you don't have a child in this year's production of Shrek, please consider supporting musical theatre productions at Waukesha Catholic by purchasing an ad for your business, or a shout-out to a friend in the cast. Keep in mind that over 1,000 people will see this playbill! This is a wonderful way for you to show your support and spread the word to the community. The cast and crew work hard on these shows each year and love performing for you. Thank you for your kind consideration as every little bit helps. We hope to see you at Shrek, Thursday, April 27-Sunday, April 30!

Love.

The Shrek Cast and Crew

Home & School News Items

Middle School Spring Social

Home & School is excited to invite all middle school students to the 80's-themed spring social! Pull out your parachute pants and leg warmers. It's going to be totally rad, dude! The dance will be held on **Friday, April 21 from 7:00-9:00 pm in the St Mary's Gym.** There will be dancing, friends, raffle prizes, refreshments, and snacks. All for \$5.00! Remember to hand in your permission slips to gain entrance. Extra raffle tickets may be purchased for \$.50 cents.

Please review the rules for the social with your student. While we are encouraging the 80's-themedress must be appropriate, similar to a non-uniform day. No cell phone/electronic game use during the social. Backpacks, if brought, will be kept in the kitchen throughout the social. No gum. Parents must come into the gym to pick up their child.

In order for this event to be successful, we need PARENT and STUDENT VOLUNTEERS, as well as donations ahead of time. Here is the link to the SignupGenius:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E49AEA82CAAFD0-middle

Please report to the designated area at the beginning of the shift. IMPORTANT: All adult volunteers must have current Safeguarding All God's Children training.

Any questions feel free to contact Bridget Panlener (panlenerb@gmail.com).

Home & School Planning Survey

Happy Spring! As the weather turns to warmer days, Home & School is starting to plan for next year, and we want your feedback! Please take a few minutes to let us know your thoughts and ideas about next year's Home & School events using the survey links below. Thank you!

- ENGLISH SURVEY: https://forms.gle/EuCbpoi8JgNMLB2G6
- SPANISH SURVEY: https://forms.gle/bZTF8Y7kQBxNoBaL7

Spirit Wear Sale Ends This Friday!

Home & School is having a spirit wear sale, which begins today and will end this **Friday**, **April 7**! Check it out as we have added new items, not just clothes. Click the Waukesha Catholic logo to enter our sale. Thank you for supporting your Home & School, and happy shopping!





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.

Hot Lunch Nibbles and Notes

MCFI strives to serve fresh and healthy meals. New local supply chain partnerships provide fresh, locally-raised beef and black bean burgers for our Southwest Burger. On Thursday, March 23, students had a chance to taste test them for the first time and the burgers



received many thumbs up! **Mission Meats** is owned by a Wisconsin native son and shares our vision of providing healthy meals with quality ingredients to school meals. Traditional school lunch burgers are made with beef and textured vegetable protein (TVP). The southwest burger combines all the quality of fresh Wisconsin-raised beef with the moisture retaining benefits of Michigangrown black beans to yield a high-quality protein burger with great flavor with lower fat content.

In case you're curious, our current cheeseburger uses a Green Bay processed product. This is the same burger offered at the **Fiserv Forum** and **Am Fam** stadium for their concessions!

Reminder of Hot Lunch Policy:

Low Balance reminders and replenish rules are allowed to be set by parents in <u>School Payment</u>

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 March <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!

<u>April 2023 Lunch Menu</u> Volunteer Opportunities in Hot Lunch: <u>SMC</u> / <u>SWC</u>

Campus Updates

St. William Campus (Click Here)

St. Mary Campus (Click Here)

Board of Directors April Meeting Date

• Save the date for the next Board of Director's Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 26 at 6:00 pm at St. Mary Campus.

Athletics

8th-Grade vs Parent/Teacher Basketball Game

The annual 8th-grade teams vs parent/teacher game will be held on Friday, April 21 at 2:30 pm in the St. Mary's Gym. Parents of the 8th-grade team players are welcome to participate or watch the game. More details were emailed to those teams this week

Scrip News (RaiseRight)

Happy Easter! There is no order next week! Place your Scrip order by Monday, April 17 at noon for delivery on Thursday, April 20.

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.

Community Messenger



Save the Date for May Crowning

Where: St. Mary Parish When: Monday, May 1

Time: 6:30 pm

