



Campus Connection

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November 15, 2017

This Coming Week

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November 16 - Lock down drill

November 17 - SJC: Mass at 8:40 a.m., SMC: Mass at 9:00 a.m. , last day to order 4 P's hot lunch for December, Soles for Education dance party!!

November 19 - Waukesha Christmas parade at 4:00 p.m.

November 20 - No Scrip this week

November 21 - Soles for Education non-uniform (pass needed), Collection ends for Food Pantry drive, Culver's night on Grandview 5-8:00 p.m.

November 22 - 24 - No School -Thanksgiving break, No Campus Connection this week

Link to: [Website](#) [Handbook](#) [Athletic Page](#) [Order SCRIP](#)

Thanksgiving Never Ends Archbishop Jerome E. ListECKi

At this time of year, our thoughts begin to turn to apple cider, cozy sweaters and raking leaves. Thanksgiving is just around the corner. Almost everyone has one or more Thanksgiving traditions that they hold dear. Besides the traditional family dinner, there's usually a family tag football game, watching a favorite movie or going on a hike. Also, an extra dab of whipped cream on the pumpkin pie.

Thanksgiving is also a wonderful time to start new traditions that reflect our gratitude to God for the bounty he has entrusted to us. We can make this time of year a springboard for living the heart of stewardship by making this day even more special. Here are some suggestions:

- **Go to Mass** and count your blessings. In your prayer, reflect on three or four qualities or talents you have been blessed with in your life. Then, reflect on how you can best be a "steward" of these gifts, sharing them with others.
- **Write "I'm thankful for you" cards** and give them to family members and friends. E-mail works, too! Even a short note of appreciation can go a long way.

- **Share your thanksgiving meal** with someone who is alone this year. Look for a neighbor, coworker, fellow parishioner, college student or armed services personnel who may be separated from family, and ask them to join you.
- **Help someone.** Extend your generosity and blessings beyond your immediate family and friends. Be part of an adopt-a-family effort, distribute food baskets or serve dinner at a shelter.
- **Take a hike.** Find a place to enjoy God's gift of creation. Invite others to share the experience and the wonders of nature.
- **Most importantly, focus on the things you are most grateful for** – the things you most appreciate about your life, yourself and others, and remember the Source of all gifts.

Thanksgiving Day is every day in the heart of a faithful steward. After all, life itself is a gift – every day, every minute, every breath. For good stewards, gratitude is a state of being, a daily response, a gift of grace. This Thanksgiving Day, let us ask God to bless us with hearts buoyant with thanksgiving each and every day of our lives. Have a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving!

Weekly News

Upcoming Lock-down Drill

Waukesha Catholic has a strong commitment to the safety of its students and staff. For that reason, each year, we rehearse the steps that are taken in the event that our buildings need to enter a lock-down. On Thursday, November 16th we will be conducting our annual lock-down drill. In the days preceding the drill, the teaching staff will be reviewing with the students the steps that we take during a lock-down and the reasons why we go through this exercise. If you have any questions, please contact any member of the administrative team.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

We are collecting non-perishable food items to donate to our Waukesha Catholic Community parishes' food pantries. Items will be collected from now until November 21st. [See the flyer at this link](#) for food item ideas. Please help us give back to our community.

Campus Connection on November 22nd

Please note a formal Campus Connection will not be sent next week. Should we need to provide any updates an email will be sent.

Scrip

Our total Scrip order from Waukesha Catholic families was \$8,545.00 this past week. There will be no Scrip order on November 20th. Our next Scrip order will be November 27th, just in time for St. Nick's Day! Plan ahead to get your cards for gift giving!

Kindergarten Open House!

We are excited to host our annual Kindergarten Open House at St. William Campus on Friday, December 1st, 2017 from 9:45 a.m.-11:00 a.m. This Open House is for new families with children who will be 3, 4 and 5 years old by September 1st, 2018. Families are invited to meet our outstanding faculty and staff, see our classrooms and experience firsthand what makes Waukesha Catholic truly special.

We are asking our current school families to help spread the word about this special event. Sharing on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter are great ways to spread the word. **Gift cards of \$5.00** will be awarded to school families who refer friends and family or colleagues to this event! Also, if more than 10 confirmed referrals are made, the referring family names will be put in a drawing to **WIN a \$150 Scrip Gift Card!**

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact: Meghan Gorzalski, Director of Admissions and

Marketing, at 262-896-2929, ext. 1326 or at mgorzalski@waukeshacatholic.org.

School Directory

The School Directory was distributed last week to the families that placed an order in August. If you would like a book there are extras in the office for \$5.00 each.

Fall Fundraiser

The fundraiser is completed today! Thank you for your support.

All items ordered on the paper form, including chocolates, cookie dough and Cinnabon, as well as prizes will need to be picked up on December 14th. We do not have room to refrigerate these items and they must be promptly picked up. The pickup date is Thursday, December 14th from 3:15 - 6:00 in the St. Mary Community Room (enter from the back parking lot). The prizes on the Fall Fundraiser envelope will be distributed at this pick up time, also. The prizes on the envelope will only count for one child so it depends on the name you put on the order form, [See reference pages at this link](#).

Spotlight Your Business, Be an Auction Sponsor!

There are many ways to help with our annual auction and asking your company to be an advertising or presenting sponsor is an opportunity with many benefits. Being a Sponsor will get your business name in front of parents, parishioners and others who receive auction information and participate in the event. There are a variety of levels available.

Please contact Nancy Nadolny at 262-896-2929 ext. 1325 or nnadolny@waukeshacatholic.org if you would like more information on Sponsorship levels and other giving opportunities.

Seton Scholarship Opportunity

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 school does not have to be in the tournament to apply. [Go to this link for a copy of the application](#). All applications must be received by February 1, 2018. Notifications will be made in March.

Athletics

Spiritwear

Your Waukesha Catholic store is now available online through **November 19!** Go to this link to order your Knights spiritwear.

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

Community

Christmas Clearing Council

Each fall the Christmas Clearing Council Program for Waukesha County requests families who would benefit from their Christmas gift giving program. Please [click here for the application](#) in English/Spanish or ask in the office. If you would like to apply, return the completed forms to the school office, attention: Teresa Landry, as soon as possible. Please note that all applications need to be submitted to school before noon on Tuesday, November 20th in order for us to get them in

the mail by the deadline.

Grades 5-8 Future Crusader Service Opportunities

Catholic Memorial High School is inviting students in grades 5-8 to participate in making projects for local organizations. This service opportunity will be held on Wednesday, November 22nd from 1-3:30 p.m. If your student is interested please [go to this link](#) to see the details and print the permission slip.

Technology and Teens

As part of a week-long Wellness Week, Grafton High School will be hosting Dr. Justin Patchin, a professor of criminal justice from UW Eau Claire, on Monday, November 27th at 6:30 p.m. in the Grafton High School Auditorium. Dr. Patchin will be speaking to parents and community members about teenagers' use of technology. The presentation provides "a broad overview of the way teens are using and misusing their phones and various Internet-based technologies with a focus on cyberbullying, sexting and unsafe social media practices." Along with adults, this program would be suitable for students in grades 6-12. The program is open to the public and free of charge. For more information, [see this flyer](#).

Cooking Class

The Saints Chef Club is starting a new class. The six sessions will start on January 16th. Students in grades 2nd-8th have the opportunity to learn how to cook up a feast! [Go to this flyer for details](#) and registration.



Catholic Memorial High School invites students in grades 1-8 to audition for the Winter Musical *Nice Work If You Can Get It*. Auditions will take place on Saturday, December 2, 2017 from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in the Catholic Memorial High School Auditorium. Rehearsals will be Saturday mornings from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (no rehearsals over Christmas break), and performances are in February. All are welcome, no experience necessary. For more information email Mr. Chris Andacht at candacht@catholicmemorial.net.

**St. Joseph Campus
November 15, 2017**

Included in Today's Packet

Staff Christmas to *Youngest Only*

Mark Your Calendars

❄️ Ski and Snowboard Club

There will be an informational meeting about this winter's ski and snowboard club on December 4th from 6:30-7:15 p.m. in Mrs. Wiberg's/Miss O'Brien's classroom. The meeting will include information for both parents and middle school students. It is strongly recommended that any interested new members attend. For those that would like to get Ski Club dates on their winter calendar for the year, we will be going to Alpine Valley on December 15th, January 12th, January 19th, and January 26th.

Our all day trip to Cascade Mountain will be on February 16th. Please email Mrs. Wiberg at awiberg@waukeshacatholic.org with any questions.

★ Attention 8th Grade Parents

On December 11th at 6:00 p.m., Waukesha West will be open to all incoming freshman who may be interested in attending West HS next fall. "Welcome to West" night offers families the opportunity to meet teachers, tour the building and sit in on informational sessions.

Learn the Art of Cooking

The Saints Chef Club is now registering for winter workshops. There will be a total of six sessions to be held on Tuesdays, January 16th thru February 27th from: 4:10 p.m. – 7:10 p.m. More information is now available in the St. Joe's school office!

St. Mary Campus

November 15, 2017



Ho, Ho, Ho

Mark your calendars for our annual Santa's Workshop shopping experience for the students! The workshop will be open on Tuesday, Dec. 12th and Thursday, December 14th. Look for more details in a future newsletter.

Santa's Workshop Volunteers Needed

It's that time of year again! The St. Mary's Santa's Workshop will be open for \$1 per item shopping for the students on Tuesday, 12/12 and Thursday, 12/14. Many hands are needed to make this year's Santa's Workshop a success. Please see the link below to volunteer your time. Thank you!

[2017 Santa's Workshop](#)



Mark Your Calendars

Our annual Christmas concert at Carroll University's Shattuck Auditorium is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 13th. Look for more information in the weeks ahead.

Lunch Reminder

Please remember to make sure your child has their lunch, or has hot lunch, before coming to school each morning. We do not stock food so it is imperative that each child has a good lunch at school each day. Thank you for your help!

Lice Check

On Tuesday, Nov. 28th we have a group of nursing students coming to our campus to do a school-wide lice screening. It is always a good idea to check your children periodically especially during hat season. Information regarding pediculosis can be found via this [link](#) to the Waukesha County Health Department.



Volunteers Needed to Pop Popcorn

We are looking for a few parents that would be willing to pop some popcorn after lunch this Friday, November 17th (12:45-2:00) in preparation for our 'Dance Party' which will begin at 2:00 p.m. in the gym. If you are willing to help, please contact Lynda Baumann at 262-896-2932, ext. 1316.



Looking Ahead

Thursday, Nov. 16th -

Friday, Nov. 17th -

Tuesday, Nov. 21st:

Wednesday, Nov. 22nd – 24th:

Tuesday, Nov. 28th:

Wednesday, Nov. 29th:

Thursday, Nov. 30th:

Lockdown drill

Dance Party

Culver's on Grandview, 5:00-8:00 p.m.

No School – Thanksgiving Break

Lice screening

Non-uniform day

Last day of 1st trimester

Included in Today's Packet

Christmas Scrip option

Scrip letter

Kindergarten Open House flyer



St. William Campus

November 15, 2017

New Arrival

The Valentine family welcomed their newest member, Beatrice, on November 4th. Beatrice joins her older siblings Edith and John. Congratulations Valentine Family!



Food Pantry
Donations Needed

Food Pantry

Please consider sending items to school for our parish food pantries. There is a great need in our communities to help those less fortunate. You may refer to the list that was sent home last week for items that the pantries have requested. Thank you for your generosity!

Directories

If you had ordered a family directory at the beginning of the school year (this was listed on the *Back to School Fees* sheet in the school packets), the directories were sent home with your child last week.



Santa's Workshop

We are in need of about six parent volunteers to be elves for a fun morning helping our students to shop in Santa's workshop for gifts for their families. The workshop is scheduled to be open the morning of December 15th, from 9 – 11, with maybe an hour needed after lunch. Please spend an hour or two helping our students pick out fun gifts for their families for Christmas morning! If you would like more information on how this

works, or to volunteer, call the school office at 896-2920 ext. 1, or email Ann at alottes@waukeshacatholic.org. Please remember you must be safeguarded to volunteer for this activity.

Looking Ahead



November 16th – SWC Lockdown Drill

November 17th – School Dance Party

Prayer Service led by Miss Narloch's K4 class

November 21st – H & S Culver's Night – Grandview 5-8 p.m.

November 22 – 26 Thanksgiving Break

Included In This Packet

Home & School Sponsored Staff Christmas Gift Information