

SAINTS WEEKLY NEWS



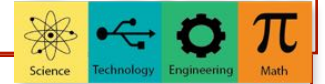
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Saint Wenceslaus Catholic School

Weekly Office Update

St. Wenceslaus Catholic School

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From the Office of the Principal ...

Dear Parents, Grandparents and Friends;

Our **Biggest Fundraiser of the Year** is coming up and we need your support! Our goal is to raise over \$100,000. To do this we need you to join in. Please attend this event and bring your friends and relatives. Please help us find great items for all guests to bid on. (We have a live and a silent auction). We are also looking for some group events, which are parties to look forward to at a later date. We are planning a fun adult party with great food catered by Lakeside Supper Club. Invitations will be sent out soon!



<https://saintwenceslaus.ejoinme.org/biggame>

You can click on this link to make a donation or please email Kim with your donation ideas. Tickets to the event may also be purchased on this link.

This event is tonight!



Calendar of Events:

Mon., Feb. 12 - Kindergarten Registration 6:00 PM
 Tues., Feb. 13 - School Valentine or Mardi Gras Classroom Parties
 Tues., Feb 13 - 6:00 Home/School Meeting
 Wed., Feb 14 - Ash Wed. 8:00 Mass (Gr. 7 plans)
 Thurs., Feb. 15 - Technology Meeting 2:30
Mon., Feb., 19 - No School/No Club House- Presidents Day
 Wed., Feb 21 - 8:00 School Mass (Gr. 6s plans)
 Wed., Feb. 21 - Gr. 7/8 Field trip
 Wed., Feb. 21 - Auction Meeting 6:00-7:30 PM
 Fri., Feb. 23 - Lenten Prayer Service 9:30
 Mon., Feb 26 - Student Adoration 9:00-11:00 AM
 Mon., Feb 26 - School Advisory Meeting and Annual Parent Meeting 6:00 PM
 Tues.,-Wed., Feb. 27-28 - Gr. 5 Science Fair
 Wed. Feb. 28 - 8:00 School Mass (Gr. 6z plans)
 Fri., March 1 - Lenten Prayer 8:00AM
 Mon., March 5 - Big Bang STEM Competition at SWS 8:00-9:00
 Mon., March 5 - Student Adoration 9:00-11:00 AM
 Tues., March 6 - History Day Displays/Judging
 Wed., March 7 - 8:00 School Mass (Gr. 5 plans)
 Wed., March 7 - Marketing Meeting 6:00-7:30 PM
 Thurs., March 8 - Lenten Prayer 10:15 AM
 Fri., March 9 - Bring a fried to School Day - Grades K-5
 Fri., March 9 - School Fish Fry Dinner
 Mon., March 12 - Student Adoration 9:00-11:00 AM
 Tues., March 13 - Conferences 4:00-8:00PM
 Tues., March 13 - Home/School Meeting 6:00 PM
 Wed., March 14 - School Penance Service 9:00-11:00 AM
 Thurs., March 15 - No School/Conferences 12:00-8:00PM
 Fri., March 16 - Lenten Prayer 12:45
 Mon., March 19 - Student Adoration 9:00-11:00 AM
 Mon., March 19 School Advisory Meeting 6:30
 Wed., March 21 - 8:00 School Mass (Kindergarten plans)
 Mon., March 26 - Mon., April 2 - **No school Spring Break**

Starry Night Class Basket Item are now Past Due!!!!

All families - please donate at least one item per child. We also will accept cash gifts instead of items and we will buy items for the baskets on your behalf.

Our School Mission Statement

St. Wenceslaus School is a family centered faith community committed to the intellectual and spiritual formation of our students. We provide a high quality academic program that builds leadership and self-confidence while nurturing a loving relationship with God and encouraging service to others.

School Registration

Forms were sent home last week with your youngest child attending our school. Please look for these forms and return them completed! We need all registrations back in the office by the end of February. Thank you very much for cooperating to get this task done on time. If you cannot find the form in the back pack, please contact Sherry Hartman. sherry.hartman@swsaints.org

Incentive for Current School Families
\$250 Tuition Credit

Help pass on the word about SWS by recruiting a new family! Every new family that enrolls in our school in grades K-8 will have one opportunity to list a family that helped them make this important educational decision. If your family is the one listed by the new family then we will give you a tuition credit of \$250 for the following year. 2019-20. (Unless your last child is in 8th grade in which we will allow you to use this credit in the last quarter of the 2018-19 school year for any school expense).

Financial Assistance for next school year.

Apply to TADS.com. This is an outside agency that evaluates your family finances. Those families who qualify may be selected for a tuition reduction. This program is based 100% on financial need.

Apply by February 15 and you can also apply for two special scholarships from the Aim Higher Foundation and the Catholic Services Appeal. Just fill out TADS application then click on the two additional scholarships at the bottom of the application.

Looking for Parent Testimonials

We are developing a new website and on the website we will have some parent testimonials. We are looking for 2-3 sentences about the school and your family picture. We have some but need more. Please consider saying something nice about the school. Send to kim.doyle@swsaints.org.



Smile Network Fundraising

We will continue to collect coins during our Lenten time. Dollars and checks made to SWS can also be donated. Our goal is to raise funds for surgeries for kids. \$500 covers one surgery. The Smile Network will assign certain kids that we will help.



State of the School Annual Parent Meeting

You are invited to join the School Advisory Board for a "Q & A" session. We will summarize the school annual report. Watch for this report to be sent out to you soon. Then join us on Monday, February 26 at 6:00PM for a short meeting to review the items in the report.

Big Bang STEM Fair

We have 45 students in grades 3-8 who are working on an engineering design challenge project. Some are working in teams of two and many are working on their own to create a design something to enter into competition. These projects will be entered into a competition at SWS first. We will hold the SWS competition on March 5 with judging to take place between 8:00 - 9:00 AM. The top projects will be sent to the Archdiocesan Big Bang STEM Fair held at Holy Family Catholic High School on April 21.

School Fish Fry Tickets coming soon!

The 3rd and final required fundraiser is getting ready to launch. This asks all k-8 families to see or purchase 10 tickets and all preschool families to sell or purchase 5 tickets. There are so many fish fry events in the area so we wanted you to know that the SWS is coming up soon and you will have tickets. More to come.

Bring a Friend to School Day - Grs. K-5

All students in grades K-5 can bring one friend to school on Friday, March 9. **Permission slips were sent last week.**

The friend must be in the same grade or in one grade higher or lower. NPAS do not have school on this day. There might be a NPAS friend who would like to check out our school. This event is NOT meant to bring guests/relatives from far away but only local kids.

Photo Contest from Catholic School Center Of Excellence - Due April 2. - Open to parents, students and staff. Take the best pictures of our Catholic School Two Categories to win.

1. Pictures with people
 2. Pictures without people - building and structures
- Pictures taken preK-8 students will be judged separately from adults.
1st place prize is \$1000 Flier sent a few weeks ago.

Little Saints Preschool

We are still taking reservations for our preschool classes for next fall.

Please spread the word to those with little ones looking for a great program.





ST. WENCESLAUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL 15TH ANNUAL AUCTION BENEFIT EVENT

A Starry Night at

THE BIG GAME

go Saints

227 East Main Street
New Prague, MN 56071

We Need Donations for the Starry Night

1. Live auction: Trips, cabins, services, sporting tickets, larger products. If you have access to anything that could work for the live auction, please come forward.
2. Smaller ones to make a basket for the silent auction tables. A basket full is great or one item to add together with another to make up a basket is awesome.
3. Be willing to sponsor an event to take place at a later date such as a dinner, a party, a dance, a hayride, or many other ideas.
4. Certificates: We need lots and lots of gift certificates for one of our event ideas.
5. Alcohol - lots of it! - - - - to put into adult gift baskets. One basket will contain everything to make a "certain" drink.

Word of Mouth Marketing is the best!
Please share why you send your kids to our school with everyone! We would love to recruit many more kids and we certainly need the sponsors, donors and friends. Please pass these video links on to others and give an invitation to join YOUR SCHOOL
General PreK-Grade 8 Video Link

<https://youtu.be/CcqsR9v4Pg4>

Special Preschool Link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LMpir2LrRDg>

School Conferences will take place in March

Tues., March 13 - 4:00-8:00
Thurs., March 15 12:00noon - 8:00 Pm
No School on March 15

Ice Fishing Contest Winners

\$1000 - George Tupy (Who donated his prize back to the school - Thank you George Tupy for the gift!)
\$750 Shane Weidall
\$500 Tony Christensen
\$250 Don Hesse
\$300 Mike Hauer
\$150 Buckshot
\$100 - Kurt Kruger
\$50 - Keith Novotny
\$25 - Mike Barth
\$25 - Olis
Winner of the Ice Castle Fish House is Mike Orvich
Thanks to everyone who participated.



Mardi Gras Party/ Valentines Party



Due to Ash Wednesday taking place this year on February 14th, we will have our classroom parties on Tuesday. Please see specific notes from each teach as to what each grade level will be doing.

Uniforms are to be worn all week - No special non-uniform days this week.



School Closed on Monday, February 19 in honor of President's Day. Club House will also be closed.

Student - Adoration will take place during Lent.

Students in grades K-8 can freely choose to come and pray in the chapel on Monday Mornings 9:00-11:00. This is a quiet time where we have the Blessed Sacrament on the altar. Students are allowed to come and go as they wish and pray in silence. Many of our students enjoy this special quiet time of prayer.

Students will also participate in all school prayer services each week with our Lenten theme.