

# BSS NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, January 4, 2023



**NEW VIRTUS  
BULLETIN  
THIS WEEK!**



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## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

**Thursday:** 2:15-3:30 - Junior High Quick Recall Practice

**5**

2:30 - Elementary Quick Recall Match

**Friday:** 8:15 - Mass (grades k-4)

**6**

2:15-3:15 - Dance Club (Undercroft)

**Monday:** 2:15-3:15 - Math Counts

**9**

2:15-3:30 - Children's Choir Rehearsal (grades 5-8)

**Tuesday:** 2:15-3:30 - Children's Choir Rehearsal (grade 4)

**10**

**Wednesday:** 8:15 - Mass (grades 5-8)

**11**

2:30-3:15 - Elementary Quick Recall Practice (4B)

2:15-3:15 - Lego Robotics Club (8A)

**Thursday:** 2:15-3:30 - Junior High Quick Recall Practice

**12**

2:30 - Elementary Quick Recall Match

**Friday:** 8:15 - Mass (grades K-4)

**13**

3:30-5:00 - Challenge Club (Undercroft)

## WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

**Th**

Confetti Pancakes, Sausage Patties,  
Syrup Cup, Smile Fries, Veggie Boats with  
Dip, Baked Apples, Fresh Bananas, Milk

**F**

Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup,  
Garden Salads, Oyster Crackers,  
Applesauce, Fresh Oranges, Milk

**M**

Chicken Patty Sandwich,  
Mac and Cheese, Baked Beans,  
Peach Cups, Frozen Sidekicks, Milk

**T**

Beef Nachos, Shredded Cheese, Sour Cream,  
Salsa Cups, Black Beans, Corn, Pear Cups,  
Fresh Apples, Milk

**W**

Turkey/Ham and Cheese Sub,  
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Green Beans,  
Strawberry or Mixed Berry Cups,  
Fresh Grapes, Milk

**Th**

Hot Dog OR Cheese Coney, Potato Wedges,  
Diced Onions, Shredded Cheese, Carrots and  
Celery with Dip, Mandarin Oranges,  
Fresh Bananas, Milk

**F**

Pizza Crunchers, Marinara Sauce,  
Steamed Broccoli, Garden Salads,  
Applesauce, Fresh Oranges, Milk

## 2022-2023 SCHOOL THEME



**ALL IN**  
Blessed Sacrament School



Our new  
**ALL IN**  
t-shirts  
are here!

# A Note From Your Administration

Dear Families and Friends,

Welcome back! I hope everyone stayed warm and safe during our Christmas blizzard. We are happy that the temperatures are significantly higher this week, but we all know that January and February are unpredictable, so please make sure to check the weather so that our students are properly prepared.

Baby Jesus is born! He is now in His manger in the Nativity scene in our entrance and will stay there through the Epiphany, this Friday. Mass for grades K-4 will take place at 8:15 a.m. on Friday. All school mass for January is on Wednesday, January 25th. We hope you can join us.

Stay tuned for plans for Catholic Schools Week in next week's newsletter!

Cheerfully in Christ,

Mrs. Aideen Briggs  
Principal, Blessed Sacrament School

*"Things are never quite as scary when you've got a best friend." – Bill Watterson*

## *Did You Know...*

...that we are so blessed with our volunteers? This week, I would like to recognize our Development Chairs: MaryEllen Farrell and Erin Woods. The Development Committee oversees the Annual Giving Fund which is used to support our specialists: Math, Reading, Academic Support, Counseling, Music, Spanish, STEM, and art. They also initiated a phonathon this year to try to bring in more support. Lately, they've been working on fulfilling the Teacher Wish Lists: globes, flexible seating, staplers, rugs, instruments, playground equipment, etc.

**Cathedral Mass for Benedict XVI**

**Financial Stewardship at  
Blessed Sacrament Church**



# Thumbs Up for Alumni!



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING BSS ALUMNI  
WHO WERE RECENTLY INDUCTED INTO THE

*National Honor Society*

AT THEIR RESPECTIVE HIGH SCHOOLS!

*Cambren Ayres*

*Lucy Bailey*

*Jasmine Barczak*

*Casey Bir*

*Jacob Brown*

*Joseph Deters*

*Sophia Ernst*

*Charles Eiting*

*Josh Flood*

*Adele France*

*Owen Heck*

*Noah Johnson*

*Mary Catherine Kelly*

*Aidan Kennedy*

*Joseph Kennedy*

*Brianna Klaene*

*Georgia Kleman*

*Owen Leen*

*Megan McKeown*

*Janie McManus*

*Lucas Meagher*

*Alexander Moening*

*Wilhelm Otto*

*Luke Pieper*

*Mary Wall*

*Mary Weber*

# BSS STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

December 2022

## A Word From Our Secretary & Treasurer:



"I am so grateful to serve as Student Council Secretary. One of the visions of Student Council is making BSS a better community. We have set goals and are ready to tackle them. By serving others we have already grown in our faith so much. I cannot wait to see how much we accomplish this year. We are all in!!" -Miles Wigger

"I am so happy to serve as treasurer of Student Council. I have learned to balance fun while getting work done as well as learning to cooperate with my peers. Student Council can really make a positive impact on what goes on in the school and it is my goal to be a helpful member of student council." -Bennett Rohmiller

## December Recap

It has been a whirlwind of a month! This past meeting we had our annual Christmas party and secret Santa gift exchange. After the exchange, we began to work on the next out-of-uniform day, service projects and activities for Catholic Schools week. We also began looking into working with St. Vincent de Paul for a service project.

Congratulations to the Dec. coloring contest winners:  
Rowen Trabel & Rosemary Robinson



## Upcoming Events

- CSW Jan. 30th- Feb. 3rd
  - Jan. 30- Dress like a Parent Day
  - Jan. 31- Catholic School Day
  - Feb. 1- Future Profession Day
  - Feb. 2- Crazy Hair and Sock Day
  - Feb. 3- PJ Day
- Feb. 9- Super bowl Team Spirit day

## Reminders

Next meeting: January 19th

- 7th grade snacks Jan. Meeting
- Open House Jan. 22nd
- CSW begins Jan. 30th
  - Speakers at Mass on the 28th & 29th



Future Meeting Dates:  
Jan. 19th Feb. 16th. Mar. 23rd  
April 20th May 18th

## Advisors

Mrs. Woodring & Mrs. Baker



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"Always do what you are afraid to do." - Ralph Waldo Emerson



# Info from NDA



## NDA MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK & FIELD

Notre Dame Academy will be offering middle school track and field for 6-8 grade girls this spring. If your daughter is interested, there will be an information/sign-up meeting at NDA in the cafeteria on **Wednesday, January 25 at 6:00 p.m.**

If you cannot attend the meeting, please email coach Tony Barczak at [tbarczak@covcath.org](mailto:tbarczak@covcath.org)

# Basketball

## INTERESTED IN SOME FRIENDLY COMPETITION AND EXERCISE ON THE HARDCOURT?

All parishioners and BSS parents are invited to play basketball on Wednesday nights in the BSS basketball gym.

No commitments required - time of play is dependent on gym usage & weekly participation. A waiver is required for participation.

Contact Chris Pfeiffer for more details at 513-374-6494 or shoot him an email at [cpfeiffer@comey.com](mailto:cpfeiffer@comey.com).



## Welcome to Preschool

AT BLESSED SACRAMENT

As a part of being “all in,” we are expanding our elementary school to include preschool in the fall of 2023! We are eager to serve more families and students through a Catholic-based program in which students will be developed spiritually, academically, and personally using the Gospel teachings of Jesus Christ.

### Our preschool *students*:

- ☐ Must be three years old by January 1, 2023
- ☐ Must be potty-trained
- ☐ Two classes of up to 18 students
- ☐ State-certified lead teachers and full time aide

### Our *curriculum* will include:

- ☐ Direct instruction in religion, reading, writing, mathematics, science, music, art, Spanish, PE, unplugged STEM, and social-emotional learning. Children will have opportunities for hands-on learning, sensory and dramatic play, play time, and peer interaction.

### Blessed Sacrament Preschool *schedule*:

- ☐ Preference given to full-time students.
- ☐ Five days per week, 7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- ☐ Half-day and 2-4 days per week.
- ☐ Mirrors the K-8 BSS calendar.

### Please *contact us* for more information:

- ☐ Director: Clair Davenport ([cdavenport@bssky.org](mailto:cdavenport@bssky.org))
- ☐ Principal: Aideen Briggs ([abriggs@bssky.org](mailto:abriggs@bssky.org))



# BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL

## *An Evening to Treasure*



## *What is Evening to Treasure?*

Evening to Treasure is an annual event held to fundraise for our outstanding Blue Ribbon school. The combined fundraising from Annual Giving Campaign and Evening to Treasure raise approximately \$250,000 per year!

Specifically, these funds support:

- ☐ A significant portion of the salaries of our specialist teachers (math, reading, intervention, speech, counselor, etc.)
- ☐ Technology devices and infrastructure
- ☐ Technology safeguards and security measures
- ☐ Physical building enhancements
- ☐ Improvements to building and cyber security

All of these necessities play an integral part in our children's education, but most of the funds are allocated toward specialists. Having these specialized teachers on staff provides intensive intervention for students in need and acceleration and enrichment for others. Without your generosity, these unique opportunities would not be available to our student population, and the learning in our building would not be as high quality as it is. Evening to Treasure is truly important because we have witnessed its direct benefits; it makes Blessed Sacrament School a place people are proud to send their children. Without this event, fundraising would be up to the children, and the hard work they would invest would not produce even a quarter of the success that comes out of this one special evening.

Please **SAVE THE DATE** for our 30th annual Evening to Treasure! We will be ALL IN with the same goal: to raise the necessary funds to provide our children with the best educational resources to be successful and have lots of FUN while doing it! This year the event will be held at Newport Syndicate on Saturday, February 25th, 2023.

The theme is Casino Night. BE ALL IN and BET ON BSS!

Many more details to follow in the coming weeks! If you would like to be a corporate sponsor or add items to E2T silent auction, please see attached forms.

We look forward to a successful and fun evening,

Your Evening to Treasure Chairs,

Elizabeth Weckenbrock, Lauren Wulfeck, and Lindsey White

*Silent Auction Letter*

*Silent Auction Form*

*Sponsorship Form*

# NDA Basketball

## GRADE SCHOOL NIGHT!



**Notre Dame Academy  
vs Grant County**

**January 16th**

**Fresh: 4:30p**

**IV: 6p**

**Varsity: 7:30p**

**Come join us for halftime  
games, great prizes and  
free admission for grade  
school students.**





# From Our Parish

## Happy New Year!

### How to Bless Your Home for Epiphany

Epiphany is celebrated on January 6th or the nearest Sunday, which is this weekend.

The bible reference to the magi says they entered the home where the Holy Family was staying in order to worship the Christ child there. Blessing the home is a time-honored tradition on the Feast of the Epiphany. You can find an Epiphany blessing for your home in [Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers](#) or at the USCCB website.

A simple form of the Epiphany blessing involves using blessed chalk to write the letters C, M, and B, plus the year, above the main entrance to the home (or above the door to each room in the house), like so: 20 + C + M + B + 23. The letters are the initials of the traditional names of the three magi: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. They also represent the Latin words *Christus mansionem benedicat*, which means: "May Christ bless the house." The + represents the cross.

***Look for blessed chalk near the church doors this weekend, and take a piece home to bless your house. Happy Epiphany.***



*Blessed Sacrament Church*  
BECOMING STEWARDS IN COMMUNITY



# Community Events

**CLICK HERE for  
information about  
VIRTUS  
TRAINING**

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CHOIR  
registration**

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PROGRAM  
information**

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information about  
ISM GUITAR  
LESSONS**



# A FEW REMINDERS...

- ❑ Please consider keeping a small hand sanitizer in backpacks and lunch boxes
- ❑ Our current arrival and dismissal procedures can be found in the handbook (see page 28)
- ❑ Please make sure that snacks and are peanut-free. A list of safe options can be found [HERE](#), but please check labels as there may be other items that are not included on this list.
- ❑ Your children are **AWESOME** and we are **SO HAPPY** that they are here!

**THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO EVERY DAY!**

**WE APPRECIATE YOU!**

If you have a great idea to share, feedback on an event, questions on upcoming events, or want more information on how to get involved please contact the BSS Parents Club at [parentsclub@bssky.org](mailto:parentsclub@bssky.org).

If you would like to submit an article or flyer to our weekly newsletter, please send information to Annie Ernst at [annernst@bssky.org](mailto:annernst@bssky.org).  
**All information MUST be submitted by 12:00 pm on Monday to be printed in that week's newsletter.**  
*(Submissions made after the deadline will run in the following week's newsletter.)*

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