

BSS NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, February 2, 2022



**NEW VIRTUS
BULLETIN
THIS WEEK!**

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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Thursday: **OUT OF UNIFORM - PAJAMA DAY!**
BLESSING OF THE THROATS
3 **6:00-7:00** - First Communion Parent Night
→ **UPDATED TIME!**

Friday: **OUT OF UNIFORM - CATHOLIC SPIRITWEAR DAY!**
DEADLINE - JillyBeans Valentine Cookie Orders
4 **11:30** - Early Dismissal (*with bus service*)
6:30-9:00 - CCH Preview to the Blue ([register online](#))

Monday: **2:15-3:15** - MathCounts
7 **2:30-3:30** - Children's Choir rehearsal (*grades 5-8*)

Tuesday: **2:30-3:30** - Children's Choir rehearsal (*grade 4*)
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Wednesday: **8:15** - Mass (grades 5-8)
9 **2:15-3:15** - Lego Robotics Club (8A)
2:30-3:15 - Homework Buddies

Thursday: **6:00-7:00** - Girl Scouts Informational Meeting
(*Parish Center*)
10 **8:00** - Parent Club Open Zoom Meeting

Friday: **8:15** - Mass (grades k-4)
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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK!

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

Th Chicken Nuggets, Mac and Cheese,
Baked Beans, Veggie Boat w/ Dip,
Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit, Milk

F **NO LUNCH - EARLY DISMISSAL!!!**

M Mini Corn Dogs, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans,
Broccoli with Dip, Frozen Sidekick,
Diced Peaches, Fresh Fruit, Milk

T Chicken Patty on Bun, Potato Wedges,
Baked Beans, Diced Pears, Fresh Fruit, Milk

W 3 or 4 Way Chili Spaghetti, Kidney Beans,
Diced Onions, Shredded Cheese,
Oyster Crackers, Glazed Carrots, Veggie Boat,
Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit, Milk

Th Deli Turkey and Cheese OR
Deli Ham and Cheese Sub, Pickles, Lettuce,
Tomato, Waffle Fries, Corn,
Pineapple Tidbits, Fresh Fruit, Milk

F Big Daddy's Cheese Pizza OR
Cheese Breadstick w/Marinara,
Steamed Broccoli, Garden Salad,
Applesauce, Fresh Fruit, Milk

WEEKEND MASSES

**WE WOULD LOVE
TO SEE YOUR FAMILY
AT MASS THIS WEEKEND!**

Saturday:
4:00pm

Sunday:
9:00am, 11:00am

A Note From Your Administration

Happy Wednesday, Parents!

We hope your students have enjoyed the festivities of Catholic Schools' Week that have happened so far. Being able to celebrate the importance of Catholic Schools always brings pride to the BSS community. The Bengals being Super Bowl bound had our excitement up already, and CSW has been the cherry on top!

See below for updates:

Potential Severe Weather

The threat for severe weather and hazardous driving conditions developing during school hours tomorrow is concerning. We hope to make a call later today on whether or not school will be in session. As a reminder, we have calamity days built into our schedule. What that means is, if school is called off because of the weather, we will not have NTI and will not have to make up the day.

Super Bowl Monday

We are looking at options to give our students Super Bowl Monday off school so they can cheer the Bengals to a victory! We are currently awaiting guidance from the Diocese, but, for planning purposes, please know that there is a possibility school will not be in session that day. We will update everyone as soon as possible. **WHO DEY!**

Registration

Re-Registration for current families and registration for new families is now open. The online and paper forms can be found on [this](#) page of our website and re-registration papers were sent home with all students.

Aftercare and Preschool Survey

We would like your feedback on two potential programs that we are considering for the future; aftercare and preschool. [Please click this link to provide your feedback.](#) Thank you!

Blue Ribbon Parade

Our Blue Ribbon Parade was such a special event for our school and community. We thank Bishop Iffert, Mayor Hehman, and Father Hills for their support and participation in this event. The video has been uploaded to our YouTube channel! You can view it [here!](#)

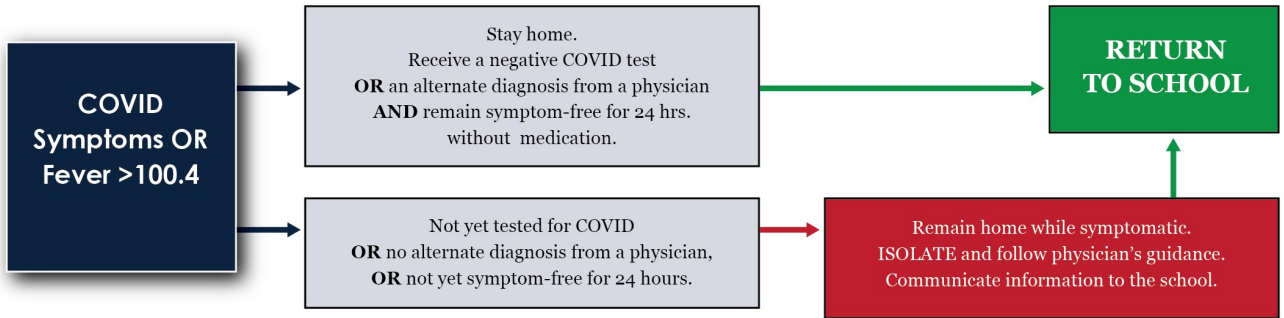
COVID Reporting

Currently, we have seven students quarantined because of a positive case from homerooms KB, 2A, 2C, 3C, 5A, 7B, and 8B. No additional students are quarantined as close contacts of a positive case.

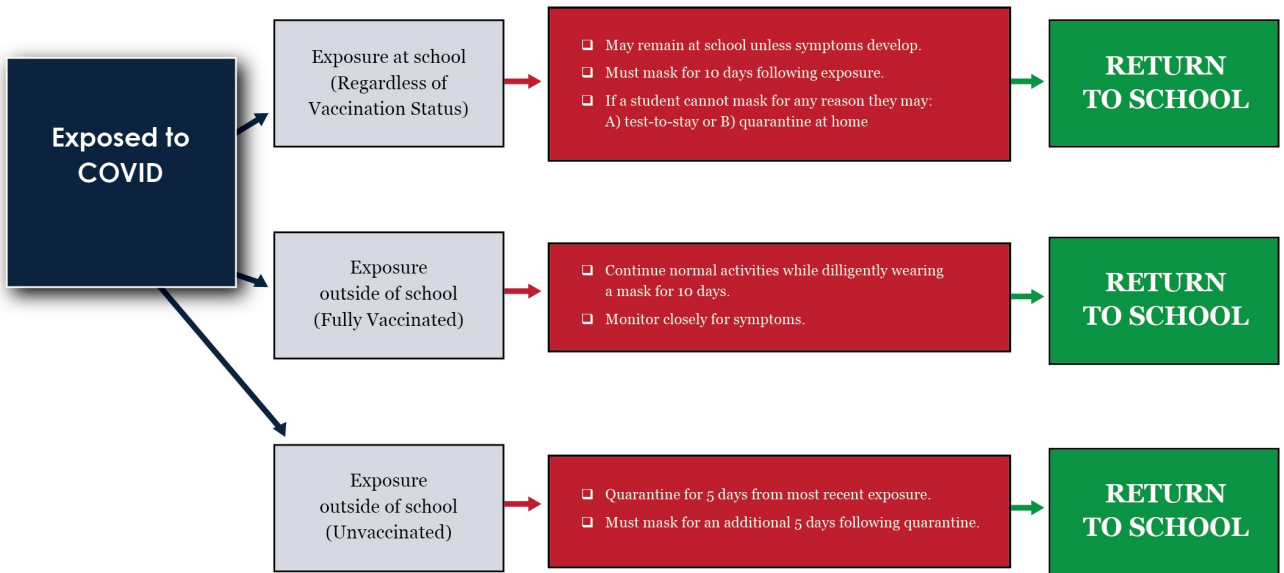
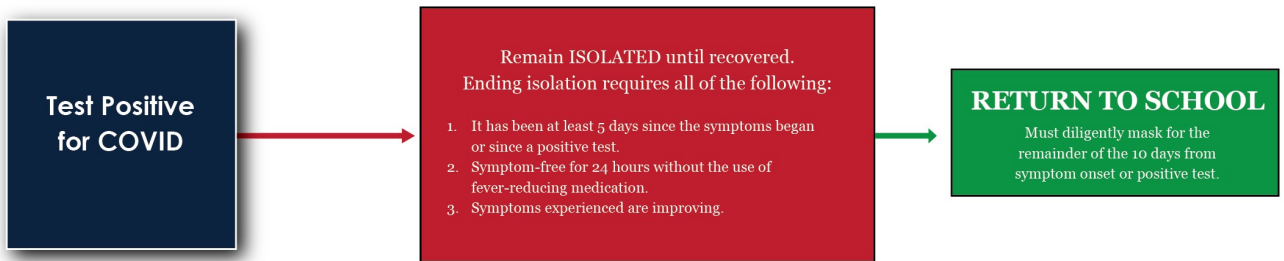
Thank you for your support especially during this amazing week! Please let us know if you have any questions.

Mr. Steffen and Mrs. Geiman



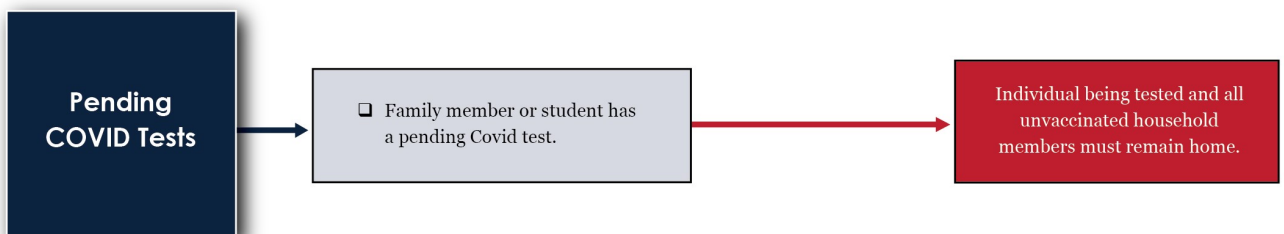


COVID-19 symptoms include: fever (above 100.4°F), chills, shortness of breath, fatigue, muscle/body aches, headache, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea and a new, uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing.



“Close contact” is defined as an individual within 3 feet of someone who has COVID for a total of 15 minutes (cumulative) over the previous 24 hours.

The CDC now considers those who are **“fully vaccinated”** as having the booster vaccine, completed the 2 dose series of Pfizer or Moderna within the last 6 months, OR completed the J&J vaccine within the last 2 months.



Thumbs Up!



Thumbs Up for Mrs. Weber's 6th and 7th grade Morning Music Makers!

This wonderful group of students meets with Mrs. Weber before school to learn and play new songs and instruments!



Congratulations to Lucy C., Anna L., and Lila T. who were all accepted to St. Ursula Academy.

Lila was also awarded a \$1000 freshman year scholarship!

We are so proud of all of you!!



Catholic School Week Parent Agenda Dates: Jan 30th-February 5th



Saturday/Sunday: Celebrate our Parish

- School representatives will be speaking during Masses
- School families will take up the Offertory.

Monday: Celebrate our Faith and Volunteers & BLUE DAY

- Out-of-uniform in all blue for Blue Ribbon - Jeans or sweatpants are okay
- Morning dance party!
- Raffle tickets for teacher-made baskets and the chance to play in the volleyball game sold today for 25 cents each.
- Prayer service in the church at 8:00 AM.
- School wide craft.
- Cards and cookies to our volunteers.
- Sundae bar for students after lunch!

Tuesday: Celebrate Service in our Community & MISMATCH DAY

- Out-of-uniform in all mismatched clothes
- Morning dance party!
- Raffle tickets sold.
- Students make Blessing Bags made for The Ion Center for Violence Prevention.
 - Kindergarten – coloring books and crayons
 - 1st grade – markers, colored pencils, and play dough
 - 2nd grade – sidewalk chalk, fidget type toy, paints
 - 3rd grade – fruit/cereal bars and juice boxes
 - 4th grade – fruit snacks and juice boxes
 - 5th grade – granola bars and small chip bags
 - 6th grade – toothpaste and toothbrushes
 - 7th grade – notebooks, lotion, hand sanitizer
 - 8th grade – brush and ponytail holders

Wednesday: Celebrate our Parents & DRESS AS A PARENT DAY

- Dress as a parent, but remember it is a Mass day.
- Morning dance party!
- Raffle tickets sold.
- Look for a special treat sent home for parents.
- All School Mass at 8:15 AM.
- CSW Mass at Cathedral.
- **No homework today!**

Thursday: Celebrate our Students & PJ Day!

- Out-of-uniform in your favorite PJs
- Morning dance party!
- **LAST DAY FOR RAFFLE TICKET SALES.**
- Movie and pizza in the afternoon. This afternoon snack does not replace lunch. Students bring a drink.
- Pick basket winners in the afternoon!
- **No homework today!**

Friday: Celebrate our Faculty and Staff & CATHOLIC SPIRIT WEAR WITH JEANS/SWEATS

- Out-of-uniform in your favorite Catholic School spirit wear!
- Valet Coffee/Smoothies for the faculty and staff.
- Morning dance party!
- Sweet treat for all students!
- Mr. Thomas will dazzle our K – 3 students with magic shows in the Parish Center.
- Students vs teachers volleyball games.
- Half day - Dismissal at 11:30 with bus service!

Be the WHY

You are part of the WHY that allows each of us at Blessed Sacrament School to strive for excellence every day. Your support motivates us to continue to aspire towards greatness.

We would like to thank everyone who has already donated to this year's Annual Giving Campaign. The generosity and support of many parish families, in addition to **32%** of our school families, is greatly appreciated.

Imagine what we can accomplish with 100% school family participation!

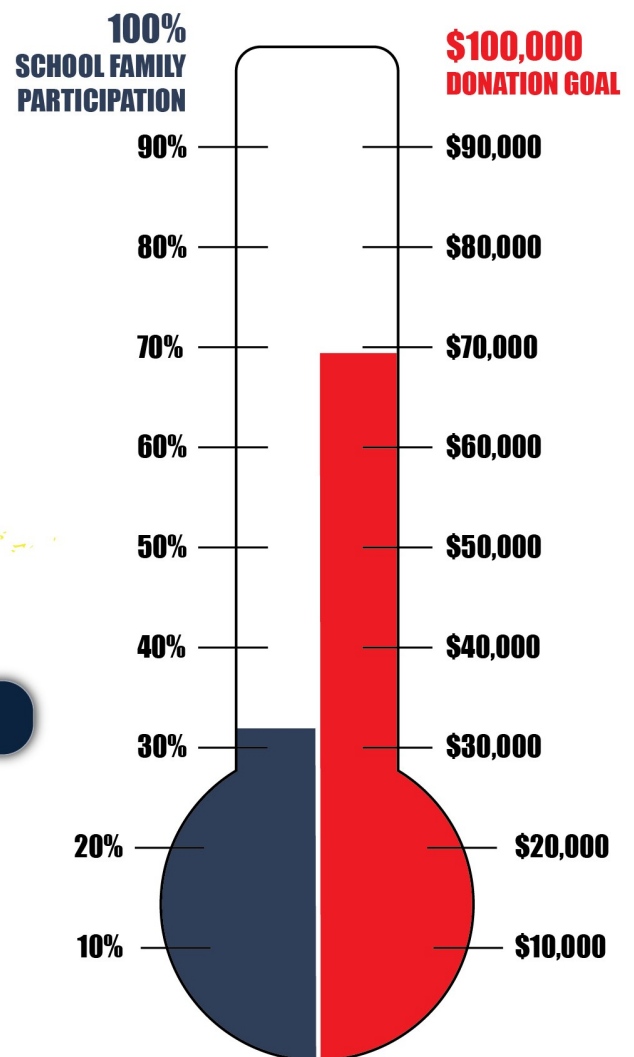
If you have not already contributed, please prayerfully consider making a donation.

We would like to challenge the remaining **68%** of school families to each make a donation to help us achieve our financial and participation goals!

[CLICK HERE TO DONATE](#)



BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL
ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN
2021 - 2022





Girl Scouts

**ATTENTION KINDERGARTEN AND FIRST GRADE GIRLS!
COME MAKE NEW FRIENDS WITH GIRL SCOUTS!**

Today, as yesterday, we continue the Girl Scout mission of building girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place.

Join us for a fun, informational event
Thursday, February 10, 2022
from 6-7pm in the Parish Center.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for more information!



Yearbook Photos

**ARE YOU THE PARENT WHO ALWAYS
CAPTURES SPECIAL MOMENTS ON FILM?**

We need pictures for the 2021-2022 BSS Yearbook!

*Please start gathering your digital photos and feel free to email photos to
Parents Club at yearbook@bssky.org.*

We will provide information soon with a link for easily sharing photos.

*Please ensure that photos are of school events only
(classroom parties, after school clubs, BSS sports teams, etc.).*

MUSIC SHARE DAY



Calling all BSS Musicians!

Any students currently studying privately for voice or other instruments are invited to come and share a piece they are working on at their lessons or for a recital!

Students will stay after school to share their musical "gifts" with Mrs. Weber and other BSS music lovers. All levels invited! (A snack will be provided.)

Wednesday, February 16th, 2022
Afterschool -3:30 PM

*A permission slip and songs/instrument your child will be playing will be required.

MUST RSVP with form by Monday, February 14, 2022

Questions?: Mrs. Meghan Weber mweber@bssky.org

**CLICK HERE FOR
PERMISSION SLIP**

Info from Boosters

Signups are open for Soccer and Baseball for spring 2022!

Registration can be found at <http://www.bssboosters.com/demosphere-registration-site>

Flag Football Registrations are open!

Register using code **SP22BSS** at

<https://playfanatics.com/youth-sports-2/registration-page/>

Signups are open for Boys Volleyball!

Registration can be found at <http://www.bssboosters.com/demosphere-registration-site> and is **ONLY OPEN THROUGH FEBRUARY 5!**

The Boosters are looking for the following positions:

- Board Members
- Soccer Directors for U6, U8, U10 and U12-U14,
- Boys Basketball Director
- Girls Basketball Director.

Interested? Please contact Jeff Epplen at epplenj@gmail.com or 859-445-5422.

Parent Club News

**Please join us for an “open” Parent Club meeting
via Zoom Thursday, February 10 at 8PM!**

Come find out what Parent Club is all about
and discuss upcoming opportunities for involvement at BSS.

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/4205208500?pwd=aHpEWlNQYUZjbXdOWDNPOVNDNUJXUT09>

Meeting ID: 420 520 8500

Passcode: AWxh6T

VALENTINE TREATS FOR SOMEONE SWEET

Jillybeans Sweet Treats

Celebrate Valentine's Day with a sweet treat for your loved ones AND raise money for BSS! Jillybeans Sweet Treats has graciously offered to give 50% of all sales back to Blessed Sacrament Parent Club! **Orders Due Friday February 4th**, sent home on Friday February 11th.



Package A:
\$15 for 12 mini pink and red heart shaped cookies



Package B:
\$12 for 5 piece "you're the coolest" ice cream cone set

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

♥ Online Orders Can be placed at:
<https://bit.ly/3nBTJfq>



♥ Cash or Check payable to: **BSS Parent Club**
(attn: Katie Miller)

Please include this form if paying with cash or check

Package A: _____ x \$15 = _____

Package B: _____ x \$12 = _____

_____ Total Due

Name: _____ Homeroom _____

All cookies will come home individually heat sealed in a box. Cookies are peanut and nut free, but processed in a home that contains peanuts and tree nuts





Artsonia

VALENTINE CARDS

Valentine cards customized with your child's artwork can be purchased through Artsonia, our BSS on-line art gallery!

Artwork with a valentine theme will be posted in 2 – 3 weeks for *1st and 2nd grades*. Students in *other grade levels* can complete valentine-themed artwork at home and upload it or bring the artwork in to be photographed.

The cards (or other Valentine gifts) can be ordered at the Artsonia site through Feb. 6 for arrival by February 14.

A set of 8 cards and envelopes costs \$9.95, with 20% being donated back to the school. Shop the Artsonia Gift Shop: <https://www.artsonia.com/schools/school.asp?id=139726>

Info from CCH



The CCH Parents Club would like to invite you and your family to the annual Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, **February 27th from 4pm-6:30pm.**

This event includes performances from the Chamber Choir at 3:30pm in the auditorium and Jazz Band (throughout the evening), displays of artwork and photography pieces and demonstrations presented by the Robotics Club. The Spirit Shop will also be open during the entire event. SAVE money and pre-order by February 23rd at www.covcath.org/dinnertickets. Tickets include spaghetti and meatball dinner, salad, bread, dessert, and beverage. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Hope to see you there!

Photos Needed

Do you have photos of recent school events?

We are collecting photos of students participating in school events from the 2021-2022 school year to use in the slideshow at this year's Evening to Treasure.

Please send photos to Mrs. Bradley at ebradley@bssky.org

Help Wanted

Catholic schools in the Diocese of Covington are seeking to fill a number of immediate openings. These include classroom teachers, counselors, instructional aides, and substitute teachers.

Many positions need to be filled beginning in January through the end of the 2021-22 school year.

Visit the "Employment" page on the Diocesan website, www.covdio.org/schools/employment, under "Teacher Openings" and "School-Related Openings", to view the postings and for information on how to apply.

Questions may be directed to skoplyay@covdio.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.



Tuition Assistance

SEEKING LOWER TUITION PAYMENTS??

Parishioners of St. Thomas (POST) is a non-profit group based in St. Thomas Parish, Fort Thomas, that provides opportunities to school families to reduce tuition costs or for parish members to meet personal tithing goals by working Reds and Bengals games. Any family member of a Diocese of Covington parish or school is eligible to participate. Training is necessary.

Currently we are looking for anyone interested in working Reds games. Opening Day is March 31!! For more information, contact Oak Martin at poststthomas@gmail.com.

Celebrate the Blue

BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL  AN EVENING TO TREASURE

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2022 • 6:00 PM - MIDNIGHT • MARRIOTT CINCINNATI AIRPORT
<https://www.facebook.com/2022E2T>

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR THE EVENT,](#)
[BROWSE OUR SILENT AUCTION, AND PURCHASE RAFFLE TICKETS!](#)

WATCH FOR EMAILS, INFORMATION IN THE NEWSLETTER,
AND SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS.

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS AMAZING EVENT!

Cheers to BSS

**Make sure to get your tickets TODAY
for these incredible raffles!**

<https://bssky.ejoinme.org/E2T2022>



Old Rip Van Winkle raffle includes:

- Old Rip Van Winkle
- Rock Hill Farms Single Barrel
- Colonel E.H. Taylor Small Batch



Buffalo Trace Collection raffle includes:

- Blanton's Single Barrel
- E.H. Taylor Small Batch
- Weller Special Reserve
- Weller Antique 107
- Sazerac Rye
- Buffalo Trace
- Eagle Rare



Ultimate Party Pack raffle includes:

everything you need to throw the ultimate bash!
Valued at over \$500, this raffle includes a
150 quart Igloo cooler, domestic & craft beer,
seltzer, wine, liquor, mixers and more!!

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SOCCER TRAINING CLINIC

GET READY FOR YOUR SEASON!



WHEN:

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST
9AM-NOON

WHO:

AGES 7-12

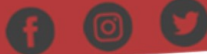
COST:

\$50/PARTICIPANT
\$35/2+ SIBLINGS

*MUST BE SIBLINGS FROM THE SAME HOUSEHOLD

GET
REGISTERED:
DOWNLOAD OUR APP
OR CALL
(859) 331-0979

YOU CAN ALSO VISIT:
WWW.GRIFFINELITE.COM/EVENTS



WHAT:

JOIN US ON THE OFF-DAY!
FUN AND EDUCATIONAL
TRAINING GAMES, DRILLS
AND INSTRUCTION THAT
WILL GET YOU READY FOR
YOUR UPCOMING SEASON!



From Our Parish

What are You Looking For?

The Search

Lenten Series

***The Search* is a 7-part video series with prayer and discussion.**

Our Parish will host *The Search* for 7 Tuesdays, beginning March 1 (the day before Ash Wednesday), 6:30—8 p.m. in the Undercroft.

- We need small group table leaders for these Tuesday sessions.
- We also need hosts for in-home neighborhood groups or prayer groups that wish to meet on other days, at other times.
- We will supply all that is needed for small groups to participate in parishioner homes.



For information or to
volunteer as a table
leader or in-home host:

859-331-4302.

See the parish website and upcoming

Blessed Sacrament Church

BECOMING STEWARDS IN COMMUNITY



A FEW REMINDERS...

- ❑ Please remember to keep extra masks in backpacks
- ❑ Please consider keeping a small hand sanitizer in backpacks and lunch boxes
- ❑ Our current arrival and dismissal procedures can be found [HERE](#) 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.

If you would like to submit an article or flyer to our weekly newsletter, please send information to Annie Ernst at 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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