BSS NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, February 10, 2021



















SPIRITWEAR DAY - VALENTINE'S DAY! (*wear pink or red shirt/accessories with uniform*)

Friday: 8:15 - Mass (KB, 3, 4) Valentine's Day Homeroom Parties 12

Monday:	NO SCHOOL - PRESIDENT'S DAY
15	BSS U8-U14 Soccer Registration Deadline!
	BSS Kid-Pitch Baseball Registration Deadline!

Tuesday: SPIRITWEAR DAY - MARDI GRAS (purple, green or yellow shirt/accessories 16 with uniform pants or skirt)

Wednesday: ASH WEDNESDAY

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8:15 - Mass (5, 6)

Thursday:

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Friday:

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8:15 - Mass (1, 2)

END OF TRIMESTER

WI Th	HAT'S FOR LUNCH? Baked Ziti with Breadstick, Steamed Broccoli, Garden Salad, Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit, Milk
F	French Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Salsa, Veggie Boat, Baked Apples, Fresh Fruit, Milk
M	NO SCHOOL - PRESIDENT'S DAY
T	Cheeseburger/Hamburger, Potato Wedges, Baked Beans, Diced Pears, Fresh Fruit, Milk
W	Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup, Steamed Broccoli, Garden Salad, Pineapple Tidbits, Fresh Fruit, Milk
ſh	3 OR 4 Way Chili Spaghetti, Kidney Beans, Onions, Shredded Cheese, Oyster Crackers, Glazed Carrots, Veggie Boat, Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit, Milk
F	Wild Mike's Cheese Bites With Marina Sauce, Green Beans, Garden Salad, Applesauce, Fresh Fruit, Milk

2020-2021 SCHOOL THEME

Rooted in Christ, **Bloom Where You are Planted**

We have focused on identity (SHAPE) and vocation. This year we will focus on living out that unique vocation, or purpose that God has given each of us - our mission.

We will explore how God reveals both himself and our life's mission through experience.

Happy Wednesday, BSS!

What a cold and snowy week it has been! We hope that you and your family enjoyed sledding, building snowmen, and making memories together yesterday in the beautiful snow. It was great seeing so many of our kids' pictures posted on social media. Thank you for sharing those moments with us!

As we look ahead to next week, it appears snow may be in the forecast again. Because of the length of our school day, we still have built-in calamity days remaining for this school year. For now, we plan to continue to allow those days to be true snow days (one of the joys of childhood!). We will consider a transition to NTI on snow days if we are forced to use several more of our calamity days. We will communicate our snow day/NTI plans if the need should arise.

Read on for updates.

Evening to Treasure

Pre-register today for 2021's E2T <u>here!</u> You are currently able to purchase signature drink kits, raffle tickets, and framed student photos! Save the date for the live-streaming event on 2/27.

Updated COVID Reporting

Currently, there are 18 students quarantined. Three of those students have tested positive. The remainder are a result of close contact or travel. Our numbers are continuing to drop significantly. Thank you for your efforts to keep this trend moving in a positive direction!

□ Registration is Now Open!

Just a reminder that <u>enrollment</u> for the 2021 - 2022 school year is now open for returning and new families. Please continue to spread the word. We've had a great deal of interest in several grades for next school year, so thank you for your help and support!! Click <u>here</u> to view our promotional video.

God bless you and your families! As always, thank you for your continued partnership!

Mr. Steffen & Mrs. Geiman



Specific guidance addressing quarantine exemptions for antibodies, vaccination, prior infection, etc. can be found in the "Diocese of Covington Return to School Requirements" document on page 18.

Thumbs Up!



Thumbs Up for Sixth Grade!

BSS parent, Marc Wendt, shared a painting that he has by Bill Salamon, a Holocaust survivor that credits his artistic ability as the reason for his survival. Below are three links that detail his story of survival and his experience as an amazing painter.

https://www.qart.com/bill-salamon-biographies/8104

https://www.latimes.com/archives/la-xpm-1993-04-14-vw-22769-story.html

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X-a1hgLkB1U

Thank you Mr. Wendt for sharing this inspiring story of perseverance and forgiveness to conclude the sixth grade's unit about the Holocaust.



Thumbs Up!





















SNOW DAY!



We are blessed with the generous support of our dedicated parents, grandparents, parishioners, and friends of Blessed Sacrament School. Because of your donations to the Annual Giving Campaign, we have been able to consistently increase the security of our church and school, partially fund the salaries of staff specialists, fund multiple building upgrades, put new technology into the hands of our students and teachers, and more.

> The dollars generated by this campaign do not disappear into the ether; they go directly back into the school to improve it within the next year.

TODAY'S DONATIONS ARE HELPING SHAPE TOMORROW'S LEADERS



Did you know that you can raise money for BSS when shopping for groceries or on Amazon?



Simply click on the Community Rewards tab on the BSS website and learn how to sign up for Amazon Smile, Remke and Kroger community rewards, as well as information on Box Tops and Coke Rewards!



\$150 Value - Just \$10! Activate your Buddy Card at mybuddycard.com

14 offers on each Buddy Card "Buy any Large Pizza, get a Large Cheese Pizza FREE"

Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> for the Buddy Card order form (pay by cash or check made out to BSS Parent Club) Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> to order Buddy Cards online

All proceeds benefit BSS Parent Club

(offers valid for Dine In or Carry Out only and expire one year from activation)

Parent Club News



If you ordered a cookbook and haven't received it yet, please email Tracie Edwards (tracie.edwards1@gmail.com).

Also, if anyone would like to purchase a BSS cookbook, Parent Club still has 15 left in the office!

Cookbooks are \$25 (Checks can be made out to: BSS Parent Club)

Are you tired of losing your BSS magnet in the carwash? Well, we have a solution for you!

To support our school spirit, please consider purchasing a BSS EAGLE CAR DECAL!

Car decals are \$5 (Checks can be made out to: BSS Parent Club)



SALE ENDS MONDAY! LANDS' ENDA

DON'T MISS OUT!

40% OFF **SCHOOL UNIFORMS**

February 4 - 15, 2021 CODE: RECESS PIN: 3884

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Registration for Spring baseball is now open!

Please visit <u>http://www.bssboosters.com/</u> <u>demosphere-registration-site</u> for registration information.

Kid-Pitch deadline: February 15 Instructional deadline: March 21



Registration for Spring soccer is now open!

Please visit <u>http://www.bssboosters.com/</u> <u>demosphere-registration-site</u> for registration information.

U8 – U14 deadline: February 15 U6 deadline: March 21

DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE... REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!



CLICK HERE FOR EVENT INFORMATION, REGISTRATION, AND ONLINE BIDDING!





Click <u>HERE</u>, or click one of the photos below, to purchase your tickets today for these four awesome Cheers to BSS raffles!



Van Winkle Special Reserve

Van Winkle Special Reserve 12-year, Blanton's Single Barrel and E.H. Taylor Small Batch!



Buffalo Trace Collection

8 bottles of Buffalo Trace bourbon including Elmer T. Lee, Blanton's, Weller and more!



Wine Down Wednesday

52 bottles of wine!



Year of Beer & Seltzer

365 beers/seltzers!



A Signature Drink Kit will help you celebrate the 28th annual Evening to Treasure, Race to the Finish, in your very own home on February 27, 2021.



The Oaks Lily Cocktail



Traditional Derby Mint Julep





SUPPORT BSS WHILE HAVING FUN WITH THE WHOLE FAMILY! ORDER CICIS CINNAMON ROLL KITS AND PIZZA KITS TO MAKE AT HOME!



to place your order anytime from February 10 - 15!



Cheese Pizza Kits \$11.50

Pepperoni Pizza Kits \$11.50

Cinnamon Roll Kits \$7.50

KITS WILL BE PICKED UP FROM BSS!

Pick up through back lot at cafeteria door!

Thursday, Feb. 18

4:00-5:00 pm

- for a Change Lent

Lent is a lot like spring training for the soul. Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving are less about giving up something than about gaining something greater. Athletes train to build strength and skill. They "give up" junk food, late hours, and laziness to attain a goal that they value more than those things.

When we fast, pray, and give alms, we too have a goal: to build our spiritual awareness, to strengthen our will power, to pull ourselves out of well-worn habits of sin, and to ask God to forgive us, change us, and guide us back to him. We fast to free ourselves from the tyranny of the body.

This Lent, we must give up fish fries and other traditions but not spiritual spring training. Below are a few suggestions. We have many more on our website: **www.bscky.org**. May we encourage one another to make this a life-changing season.

RICE BOWL PROJECT

Jesus asks us to care for our sisters and brothers and to recognize him in them. The *Catholic Relief Services* Rice Bowl project gives us an opportunity to answer this Gospel call. What you give up for Lent changes lives.

Jesus shared our human condition, living in solidarity with us, knowing our struggles and suffering first hand. For six weeks, we can share some solidarity with our global human family. Eating one (or more) small, simple, meatless meals a week and placing the money we save in a "rice bowl" will give us a glimpse of what others experience daily, while providing the means to help them experience a little of what we take for granted.

Keeping our global neighbors in prayer during this time will also help us grow in love, compassion, and gratitude.

You will find lots more information on our website, including world recipes for simple, meatless meals, weekly themes based on the Corporal Works of Mercy, stories of hope from countries served by the Rice Bowl Project, and even directions for making your own paper rice bowl.

You can share photos and stories of your international meals on our parish Facebook page, building parish community while changing lives around the world.

WAY OF THE CROSS

Fridays, 7 p.m. in church. Virtual versions can be found on our website.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays, following 10 a.m. mass until 4 p.m.

ROSARY AND BENEDICTION

Wednesdays, 3:30-4 p.m.

Virtual versions of the rosary can be found on our website.

VESPERS (EVENING PRAYER)

Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m. in church

DAILY MASS

Even if you cannot physically attend daily mass, you can find our masses streamed online. The link to our YouTube Channel is on the homepage of our website.

40 DAYS OF FAMILY ACTIVITIES

On our website, you will find a link to 40 days of Lenten activities for the whole family, and they require little or no advance preparation.

Look for the Lent - for a Change box on our homepage.









The center is open from 7am until 5:45 pm, and is located close to the Ft. Wright business district and downtown Cincinnati.

Due to Covid restrictions, tours are currently unavailable, but you may visit our Facebook page to see our students engaged in their daily activities. Visit our web site at www.julicelamingenetre.com to make contact or call 859-392-8231 for more information. Teachers employed in the Covington Diocesan schools receive a discount on JLC tuition.



A FEW REMINDERS...

- Delease remember to keep extra masks in backpacks
- Please consider keeping a small hand sanitizer in backpacks and lunch boxes, and continue to encourage effective hand washing habits
- The most current school-related COVID-19 information can be found <u>HERE</u>
- Our current arrival and dismissal procedures can be found <u>HERE</u> in the handbook (see page 28)
- Please make sure that snacks and lunches are peanut-free. A list of safe options can be found <u>HERE</u>, but please check labels as there may be other items that are not included on this list.
- During the colder months, please make sure that your child is bringing a coat, hat, gloves, etc. as we will be going outside for recess/breaks whenever possible.
- □ 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 <u>parentsclub@bssky.org</u>.

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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The mission of Blessed Sacrament school is to spiritually, academically, and personally develop active Catholics using the Gospel teachings of Jesus Christ.