# BSS NEWSLETTER



**Wednesday, May 11, 2022** 













### WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Thursday: 6:00-7:30 - Fine Arts Night!

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**Friday:** 8:15 - All-School Mass and May Crowning

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9:30-12:15 - Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition

6:00-9:00 - Mother Daughter Night (undercroft)

**Monday:** 

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

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

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Wednesday: 2:30-3:15 - Homework Buddies

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Thursday: 10:30-12:00 - 2nd Grade/8th Grade Picnic!

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2:15-3:15 - Student Council Meeting

6:30-8:00 - Kindergarten End of the Year Show!

Friday:

8th Grade Last Day of School!

8:00-10:00 - 8th Grade Awards and Breakfast

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

1:00-1:45 - Student Council Speeches & Elections

### WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

Hamburger or Cheeseburger, Potato Wedges, Baked Beans, Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit, Milk

Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup,
Oyster Crackers, Garden Salad,
Applesauce, Fresh Fruit, Milk

Chicken Patty on Bun, Potato Wedges, Baked Beans, Diced Peaches, Frozen Sidekick, Milk

Shredded Beef Tacos, Salsa, Sour Cream, Corn, Refried Beans, Diced Pears, Fresh Fruit, Milk

Rotini with Meat Sauce, Garlic Bread Stick, Garden Salad, Steamed Broccoli, Pineapple Tidbits, Fresh Fruit, Milk

Chicken Nuggets, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans, Veggie Boat, Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit, Milk

French Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Salsa, Veggie Boat, Baked Apples, Fresh Fruit, Milk

### **WEEKEND MASSES**

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

Saturday: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 & 11:00 am

# A Note From Your Administration

#### Good afternoon, parents!

With an uptick in Covid cases here at BSS in both the staff and student body, we are looking ahead to this week's big celebrations: Fine Arts Night and our All-School Mass/May Crowning. Please use your best judgement when attending. We have consulted the Diocese, and, while <u>masking is not required at our events, it is strongly recommended</u>. There appears to have been transmission in the school and most of the cases began with allergy-like symptoms. Thank you for your to continued partnership to keep our students (especially our 8th graders!) healthy as we approach the end of the year!

**Fine Arts Night** 

Our annual Family Fine Arts Night is scheduled for 6:00-7:30 this Thursday, 5/12. Please join us to view art exhibits created by BSS students, participate in a scavenger hunt, listen to our strings ensemble and morning music group, and more!

May Crowning/Last 8th grade Mass

Our May Crowning prayer service and all-school Mass is Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>. 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade students, dressed in their First Communion attire, will line the aisle and serve as an escort for the honor guard. The honor guard consists of two students from each grade 4 – 8 that were voted by their peers to represent their grade in this prayer service. Two additional 8<sup>th</sup> grade students were voted to have the honor of crowning Mary. We look forward to this beautiful prayer service every year and especially this year since it will be the 8<sup>th</sup> graders' last all-school Mass which will be concluded by singing the Circle Song! Since this Mass is so special for several grades, we ask that only parents of 2<sup>nd</sup> graders, 8<sup>th</sup> graders, and our honor court attend. This event will also be live streamed, so, we encourage you to join us virtually via the Parish YouTube page.

**Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition** 

After Mass on 5/13, there will be a Eucharistic Miracles display based on the life of Blessed Carlo Acutis in the undercroft. Fifth, sixth and eighth graders will be presenting Eucharistic miracles to all other grade levels. All community members are welcome to view the exhibit with our students!

**Important upcoming dates:** 

**5/12** Fine Arts Night - 6:00 – 7:30 PM

5/13 All-School Mass (May Crowning, 8th grade's last Mass, Circle Song) @ 8:15, Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition 9:30-12:15 in the undercroft

5/17 NO BUS SERVICE

**5/18** 5-8 Mass @ 8:15

5/19 Kindergarten End-of-Year Show @ 6:30 in the undercroft. Spirit wear day – Summer/Luau theme!

5/20 K-4 Mass @ 8:15, 8th Grade's last day, 8th Grade Breakfast & awards 8:00-10:00

**5/24** Field Day

5/25 All-School Mass @ 8:15, 8th Grade Graduation @ 7:00

5/26 Last Day of School, 11:30 Dismissal with bus service

Thank you!

Mr. Steffen & Mrs. Geiman

Tentative

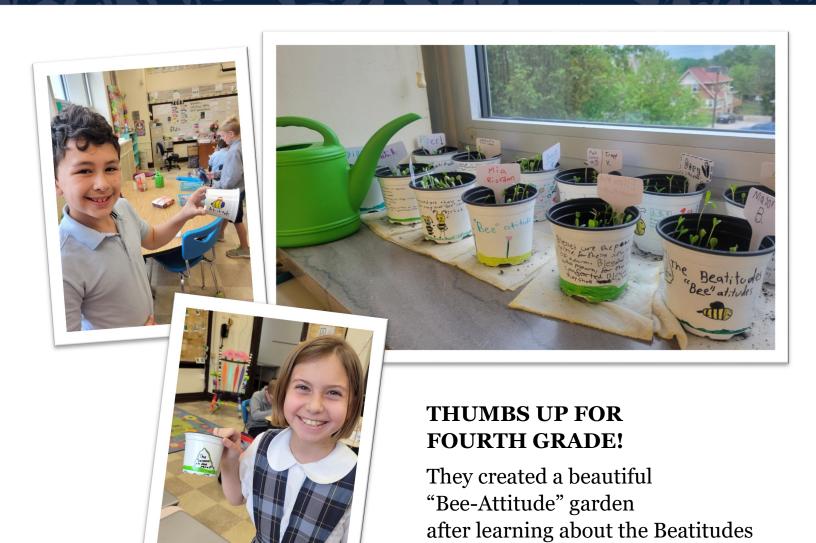
Blessed Sacrament School Calendar 2022 - 2023

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# Thumbs Up!

in Ms. Otten's religion class!



# 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 43% of our school families, is greatly appreciated.

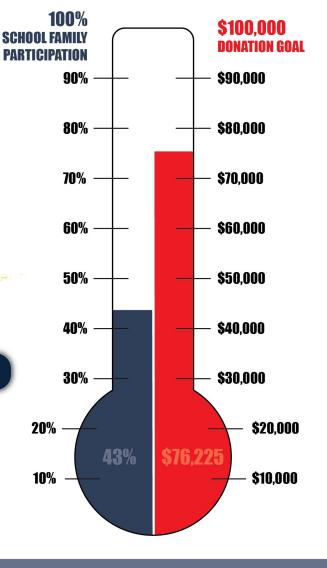
# Imagine what we can accomplish with 100% school family partipation!

If you have not already contributed,
please prayerfully consider making a donation.
We would like to challenge the remaining 57% 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



### Parent Club welcomes all parents to join us for the End of the Year Parent Coffee

Wednesday May 25th following 8:15 AM Mass

Parish Center

Coffee and Light Bites will be provided



# Parent Club News

PLEASE TAKE A LOOK AT THIS YEAR'S PARENTS' CLUB ANNUAL REPORT FOR INFORMATION ON THIS YEAR'S ACTIVITIES, FUNDRAISERS, AND FINANCIAL RESULTS/CONTRIBUTIONS.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR DEDICATED PARENTS' CLUB MEMBERS! WE APPRECIATE YOU AND ALL OF YOUR HARED WORK!

#### Parents' Club

Welcome to the first annual report of the BSS Parents' Club. We invite parents to learn more about the events and activities that have taken place over the past year, all the help of many chairs, volunteers, and contributors. In addition, we encourage you to get involved by asking questions, offering feedback and volunteering. Together we can continue enhancing our students' school experience!

#### Events this year

- · Back to school
  - o Bulletin boards
  - Teacher appreciation gifts and lunch
  - o First mass parent coffee
- Food truck night
- Cookies for staff/teacher birthdays
- Classroom crafts (K-4) and pizza (5-8) for 3 Holiday classroom parties
- Veterans Day reception
- Teacher conference packs
- Santa shop for students
- Simple Christmas Giving, Parent Club and Development Committee add to parent contributions
- · Christmas cookies for all parish staff
- Catholic Schools Week
- Staff appreciation week
- Stations of the Cross 1<sup>st</sup> grade
- Father/son event
- Mother/daughter event
- Field Day shaved ice
- Flowers for kindergarten celebration
- First grade camp-out supplies
- End of school teacher lunch
- 8th grade graduation
- Last all school mass coffee

#### Annual Report 2021-2022

The mission of the BSS Parents' Club is to enhance the students' spiritual, emotional, and academic experience through parental support. This is achieved by parents assisting the faculty and staff with classroom activities and school wide events. In addition, Parents' Club will further enhance learning by offering financial support for enrichment programs that benefit the students of our school.

Email: parentsclub@bssky.org



#### Fundraising

- Ladies Fall Event (LFE)
- Spirit Nights
- Grocery store rewards
- · Spirit wear sales kick-back
- Lifetouch
- School supply kits

### Financial results (through 3/31/22)

- Income (net)
  - o Food truck \$944
  - LFE \$18,590
  - Spirit night \$1,330
  - o Grocery rewards \$6,013
  - o Santa shop \$6,685
  - o Misc. \$7,785
- Expenses
  - Teacher appreciation \$4,133
  - o Parent appreciation \$140
  - o Student appreciation \$5,459

#### Contributions to BSS

- \$50k cash by end of school year (to be used by administration for various schoolwide educational needs)
- \$3k for Wired Family presentation
- \$1600 for 8th grade trip

Thank you for all your help and support!



### THE DECISION HAS BEEN MADE THAT THERE WILL NO LONGER BE OPEN MONTHS IN VIRTUS.

Effective immediately if someone falls <u>12 bulletins behind</u>, their VIRTUS account will be inactivated and they will have to re-process their Selection background check.

# Info from NDA



### **SUMMER CAMPS AT NOTRE DAME ACADEMY!**

Attention Jr. High and High School students - whether you are a computer wizard, budding artist, a musician, a theatre buff, an athlete, or you are just looking for something fun to do this summer, Notre Dame Academy has all sorts of opportunities for you! To find out more about summer enrichment opportunities at NDA for both boys and girls - go to <a href="www.ndapandas.org/academics/summer-enrichment-programs-at-nda">www.ndapandas.org/academics/summer-enrichment-programs-at-nda</a>. The deadlines are approaching quickly!

# Help Wanted

Catholic schools in the Diocese of Covington are seeking to fill a number of <u>immediate</u> 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, <u>www.covdio.org/schools/employment</u>, under "Teacher Openings" and "School-Related Openings", to view the postings and for information on how to apply. Questions may be directed to <u>skoplyay@covdio.org</u>.



Please join us for Blessed Sacrament School's Family Fine Arts Night Thursday, May 12, from 6:00 – 7:30 pm.

- ☐ See outstanding art exhibits created by BSS students this year in STREAM, Explore, and art class! Admire the judges' selections for first and second place in most exhibits.
- ☐ Follow the clues in the art scavenger hunt with family or friends. Turn in the completed scavenger hunt for a treat.
- Add pieces to a giant paper mosaic that is under construction in the art room.
- □ Relax to music in the gym from 7 7:30 pm, featuring Mrs. Weber's "Morning Music Makers" and Immanuel School of Music's "BSS-String Ensemble".
- ☐ Paint a family tile in the cafeteria (if you reserved a tile by the deadline). These will be added to the tile wall in the BSS entry.
- ☐ Enjoy refreshments in the Parish Center, generously provided by the BSS Parent Club



# Summer Solutions

It is that time of year again for kids and parents to start thinking about summer and keeping up with their math and reading skills.

It's hard to believe school is coming to a close!

Summer Solution Workbook Practice Are you looking for extra practice this summer?



Get a head start for the new school year.

Keep math/reading concepts fresh for next year.

If you would like to purchase a Summer Solution workbook, please follow the link <a href="http://www.summersolutions.net">http://www.summersolutions.net</a> Cost per book is \$16.99.

Summer Solutions is a workbook series that covers the material your child should know before advancing to the next grade. Completed workbooks should be returned at the beginning of the new school year to your child's homeroom teacher to be eligible for prizes and homework passes. Parents should purchase the workbook that corresponds to the school year your child is completing this year. If you have further questions, please email <a href="mwood@bssky.org">mwood@bssky.org</a> or <a href="mwood@bssky.org">swischer@bssky.org</a>

# 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 <a href="mailto:cpfeiffer@comey.com">cpfeiffer@comey.com</a>.

# Yearbook Photos

### 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 <a href="mailto:yearbook@bssky.org">yearbook@bssky.org</a>.

Please ensure that photos are of school events only!

# 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.

For more information, contact Oak Martin at <a href="mailto:poststthomas@gmail.com">poststthomas@gmail.com</a>.

### BLESSED SACRAMENT CHALLENGE CLUB



for rising 8th grade girls

Does your daughter desire to deepen her faith while forming Christ-centered friendships along the way?

Join us and get a glimpse into our Challenge club!

Open to all rising 8th grade girls.

### MAY 13, 2022 • 2:00PM-3:00PM PARISH CENTER

Questions? Contact Melissa Stegman (859) 801–1410



PLEASE COME TO VIEW A EUCHARISTIC MIRACLE DISPLAY PRESENTED BY OUR 5th, 6th, AND 8th GRADERS.

STUDENTS WILL BE PRESENTING EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES BASED ON THE WORK OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS.

Please come after Mass to learn about the amazing miracles which our God has performed through the Eucharist, showing the power and reality of His True Presence.

Presentations will take place after the 8:15 school Mass in the Undercroft. The schedule of presenters is below, but you're welcome to come view at any time!

**5th Grade** - 9:30-10:00

**6th Grade** - 10:15-11:00

8th Grade - 11:45-12:15

**5th Grade** - 12:30-12:50



### An Invitation to The Fatima Program

We would love for your family to take advantage of this free opportunity to join our Fatima Program at Blessed Sacrament! Our program began in 1993 and has been going strong ever since! The program teaches families to pray together the beautiful and **powerful** prayer of the Rosary.

To enroll in this program, simply fill out the bottom portion of this sheet, detach, and return to school. Alternatively, you can e-mail <a href="magronotte@gmail.com">magronotte@gmail.com</a> to enroll. Once you enroll, you will receive a gift box with a framed picture of Our Lady of Fatima, Rosaries, a CD of the prayer of the rosary, and other relics, as available.

This whole package is to keep. It is not to be returned. It is donated by loving donors in our Parish. The program is designed to help everyone in your family embrace the powerful prayer of the Rosary. With everything going on in the world, there are unlimited intentions to which you can dedicate your Rosary prayer, including an end to war, an end to Covid and its

infections, for Catholics to return to the Catholic Church, and many more.

#### Additional Resources:

- Formed.org Formed is a free resource available to our Parishioners. To sign in as a parishioner, go to
  formed.org and type in "Blessed Sacrament Church, Ft. Mitchell, KY" and work through the prompts.
  - Formed offers two videos focused on the Fatima story; The Day the Sun Danced (an animated video for all ages), and The 13<sup>th</sup> Day (a video for grades 5 and older).
- Website <u>www.americaneedsfatima.com</u> Click on "Our Lady of Fatima".

Please contact me, Mary Anne Gronotte, if you have questions.

Phone: 859-468-4732

• E-Mail: magronotte@gmail.com

God bless you.
Mary Anne Gronotte Blessed Sacrament Parishioner and Fatima Program Coordinator
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Yes! I want to participate in the Our Lady of Fatima Program!
Child's Name Homeroom
Parent's signature for the program:
Phone #



# TEAM VBS NEEDS YOU!

Vacation Bible School is <u>June 27-30</u> We are assembling our core team now

### **TEAM VBS 2022 NEEDS:**

- Adults and youth (age 12 and up)
- Creative idea people during the planning stage
- Detail people for assembling materials and plans
- Set up crew the Friday before VBS
- Fun leaders the week of VBS
- Clean-up crew the last day

Whether you can help a little or a lot, in advance or during VBS week, or just a bit here and there—we have a place for YOU on our TEAM. Contact Rosanne Thomas: rthomas@bscky.org or 859-331-4302

Blessed Sacrament Church
BECOMING STEWARDS IN COMMUNITY

# Community Events/Miscellaneous

GRIFFIN ELITE
SUMMER
PROGRAMS

MIND OVER MATTER
SUMMER LEARNING
SERIES

MOTHER
DAUGHTER
EVENT

SCHOOL SUPPLY ORDERING

PRO-LIFE BOOTCAMP THOMAS MORE
UNIVERSITY
BASKETBALL
CAMP

<u>NKU</u> <u>Basketball</u> <u>Camp</u>

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<u>NDA BAND</u> INFORMATION

# A FEW REMINDERS...

	Please remember to keep extra masks in backpacks					
	Please consider keeping a small hand sanitizer in backpacks and lunch boxes					
□ book	Our current arrival and dismissal procedures can be found <u>HERE</u> in the hand-					
	(see page 28)					
	Please make sure that snacks and 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.					
	Your children are <b>AWESOME</b> and we are <b>SO HAPPY</b> that they are here!					

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

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.)

## Check us out on Social Media









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