

BSS NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, August 28, 2019



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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Thursday: 1:00 - 2:45: Cub Scouts visiting grades K-5
29 2:45 - 3:45pm: Jr. High Quick Recall Tryouts

Friday: 8:40 - 9:40am: mass (grades K-4)
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Monday: NO SCHOOL - LABOR DAY
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Tuesday:
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Wednesday: Fall MAP Testing window opens
4 8:40 - 9:40am: mass, with Student Council installation immediately following (grades 5-8)

Thursday: OUT OF UNIFORM DAY - St. Vincent DePaul
5 *(Any student bringing a non-perishable food item may be out of uniform this day. Collection bins in the front lobby)*

Friday: 8:40 - 9:40am: mass (grades K-4)
6 3:30 - 5:00pm: Challenge Club *(BSS students may come immediately after school, and we will provide supervision)*

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

Th Confetti Pancakes, Sausage Links, Smile Fries, Veggie Boat, Baked Apples, Fresh Fruit, Milk

F Pizza Crunchers or Cheesy Flatbread, Marinara Sauce, Steamed Broccoli, Salad, Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit, Milk

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**SEPTEMBER
MENU
COMING SOON**

2019-2020 SCHOOL THEME

"Shaped by God to be Stewards"

This year we are helping our students discover their shared identity and purpose: we are all children of God, made by Love for love.

This year we are seeking to help our students discover their *unique* God-given gifts and purpose that will enable them to make an irreplaceable gift-of-self to the world for God's glory.

Thumbs Up!



Our BSS cross country team won a total of 22 individual medals at last weekend's Jaguars Kickoff Classic!

They also won team awards in the following divisions:

K-3rd grade boys	4th-6th grade boys, 2nd place
middle school boys - 3rd place	4th-6th grade girls, 1st place
middle school girls - 3rd place	



Ava Kate has been raising money for "Give Kids the World" which is nonprofit resort in Central Florida that gives children with critical illnesses and their families a weeklong, cost-free vacation. She has had an ice cream stand, a popcorn stand, walked dogs, and gathered donations on her birthday instead of gifts.

She wants to keep it up and be a top earner on their website.



Sent in from a BSS grandparent/teacher at St. Pius:

I wanted to give a shout out to these 8th Grade BSS Volleyball players. I took Maisie to St. Pius today to watch some of my 7/8th grade girls play in a STPx volleyball tournament. Lo and behold my 8th grade students were playing BSS 8th grade girls! Maisie rooted hard for her Eagles! These girls were sweet enough to indulge Maisie when she asked them if they would take a picture with her. They were Eagle rock stars to her, and they made her day! Please let them know how impressed I was with their kind gesture. Have a great school year.



School Mass Info

Parents,

We absolutely love when parents join us and our students for Mass. To celebrate with your child as a part of the larger school community is such a gift. This year, there is a change that you need to be aware of if you plan to join us for a school Mass.

This year during school masses, the church will be locked to prevent access from the outside. At the conclusion of the opening hymn (at ~8:45, roughly 5 minutes after the start of Mass) all doors will be locked. The middle side doors and front side doors are equipped with push-bars to allow people to exit if necessary while still restricting access from the outside. Please do not knock to try to gain entrance, as the doors are too far from pews to hear it. If there is an emergency, contact the school office.

While we love the idea of an open church and school community, leaving the church open during school mass is no longer an option due to the heartbreaking events that are now all too frequent across our country. We thank you for your cooperation and understanding with this implementation process.

- Mr. Steffen & Mrs. Geiman

Virtus

August Virtus Video Help

We have received calls regarding the fact that some people are having difficulty opening the August Virtus video module, which replaces the bulletin for the month of August. Here are a few suggestions which hopefully will help:

To watch the Virtus video:

1. Use Google Chrome. If you use Internet Explorer, on the Virtus website under the "training" tab, click 'Message Center' on the left side. There is a message about using Internet Explorer for the training module.
2. You will need to allow Flash Player. If puzzle piece icon appears on the page, click it. A new box will pop up near the top address bar with two choices, 'allow' or 'block'. You will need to allow it to proceed.
3. Do not try to watch on an iPhone or iPad (this is true for any monthly bulletin)
4. Give it time to load, it may take awhile

Thank you for being Virtus trained. We appreciate our volunteers!

A close-up photograph of hands working on a project, possibly a craft or science experiment, with various materials and tools visible.

Quick Recall

Junior High Quick Recall Tryouts

If your junior high student would like to participate in a fast-paced academic activity, quick recall is the perfect setting. And, we have A LOT of fun!

Try-outs for the junior high quick recall team will be after school TODAY and TOMORROW, August 28-29, from 2:45-3:45.

If your child is interested in trying out, but has a conflict on those days, please get in touch with either Mr. or Mrs. Ingraham at BSS. Please send a note giving permission for your child to try out to Mr. Ingraham.

6th Grade Quick Recall Tryouts

Try-outs for the 6th grade quick recall team will be after school September 4th, from 2:45 - 3:45.

Quick recall is a lot of fun, especially if you are quick to answer questions concerning all subject areas. The best part is you get to have Mrs. Michels and Mrs. Soldano as your coaches! So join us next Wednesday, and don't forget to bring your permission slip in order to tryout. You may pick up a permission slip from either Mrs. Michels or Mrs. Soldano.

A photograph of various art supplies, including paintbrushes, tubes of paint, and a palette, arranged on a wooden surface.

After School Art

Information about Fall After-School Art was sent home this week

There is still room in the Thursday class, so please contact Mrs. Miller if your child is interested because classes begin next week!

Please click [HERE](#) for registration information.



Math Counts

Math Counts information will be posted soon.

Math Counts is open to 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students. We meet weekly, after school on Mondays, from 2:45 - 4:00. Snacks and drinks are provided while we work on individual and group math activities.



Parent Club News

The BSS volunteer packet will be coming home with your youngest child this week. You can also click [HERE](#) to view and print the Volunteer Packet.

We have over 25 volunteer opportunities this year! We truly appreciate your help and support. These school activities and events are successful because of our amazing BSS parents. We can't thank you enough!

If you have questions, please contact Lindsey White at lindseywhite29@yahoo.com.



Fine Arts Night

BSS Fine Arts Night is scheduled for May 14, 2020

Our theme this year, *One More Time*, focuses on using recycled materials to create awesome works of art. The newsletter will be used to communicate items that the art room can use your help in collecting. These should be clean items, possibly used, that are destined for the trash at home or work. At the moment, we are collecting:

- Tiles, stone or ceramic, any color (between 3" and 8")
- Receive packages at home or at work? Brown Kraft paper (or other paper used for packing material) is needed
- Perhaps your company is disposing of unused paper or fabric because of changes they are making
- Clean Styrofoam veggie trays (*please do not send meat trays, for obvious reasons*)
- Toilet paper / paper towel cores

Other items will be added to the list as the year progresses.

Basketball

Signups for Blessed Sacrament Boosters basketball are now open! Please click [here](#) to sign up.

Recreational teams are again available from 2nd through 8th grade, at a cost of \$100 for the season.

There will also be tryouts for competitive teams in the 7th and 8th grades, at a cost of \$140 for the season.

New this year, we are offering additional basketball training weekly through our partnership with Griffin Elite. These training sessions will be held weekly on Tuesday evenings and include 30 minutes of skill development and 30 minutes of physical training. These sessions are in addition to the standard weekly practice time for all recreational teams. The cost of these sessions will be \$120 per child and reflect a discounted price available only to BSS students for paying full up front. Month-to-month options are also available, but would have to be arranged directly through Griffin. More information for these sessions can be obtained [here](#).

Registration will remain open through September 6th.

For further information, please review the [Boosters website](#).

Questions can also be directed to [Benjie Pieper](#) or [Mike Petzelt](#) (boys) and [John Kirtley](#) (girls).



Youth Choir

Rehearsals for the Children's Choir are going to look very different this year. We hope for a lot of growth in the program and have decided to separate grade levels and rehearsals so that students can receive better instruction appropriate to their age, as well as received individualized instruction. The new rehearsal schedule follows:

- 5th and 6th Grades: Monday, 3:00-4:00PM
(Blees Center Music Room)
- 7th and 8th Grades: Tuesday, 3:00-4:00PM
(Blees Center Music Room)
- 4th Grade: Wednesday, 3:00-4:00PM
(Blees Center Music Room)

Rehearsals started the second week of school (August 19, 20, 21), but we still have room for more choir members.

Permission forms for the Children's Choir can be found here.

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Students who wish to serve as cantors are required to participate in the appropriate level of choir, and there will be auditions for the cantor positions. 4 students per grade level will be selected as cantors based on auditions. The auditions for cantors will take place in September and more information will be posted on the church's Music Ministry page.

(www.bscky.org/Music-Ministry)

For an article about this year's children's choir please see the parish newsletter here

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Cross Country

Signups for Blessed Sacrament cross country are still open! Please click [here](#) to sign up.

Inviting all runners, girls and boys entering grades 3-8, to come out and run for the BSXC Team! No experience is necessary. Our main focus is personal improvement. We closely monitor each runner's progress, help them set personal goals, and celebrate when they achieve new Personal Records.

Our season began July 16, and runs through early November. Practices are held Tuesday and Thursday evenings at Flagship Park in Erlanger. Meets began in August and are usually on Saturdays with occasional weekday meets after school.

Our team is very understanding of and flexible with other sports' schedules. If you can't make every single practice or meet, that's ok.

Registration CLOSES this Sunday, September 1st.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions at josefniel@gmail.com



Spiritwear Sale

DON'T FORGET TO PLACE YOUR ORDER!

There is still time to place orders for uniform fleeces and sweatshirts, BSS gym shorts and sweatpants, and BSS spiritwear!

Please click [HERE](#) to place your order online.

Deadline for ordering is 5:00pm, TODAY!

Estimated delivery date is September 10, 2019



Yearbook Photos

Hello all... it's Dawna Thompson!

Most of you know me and I'm so happy to be back in the "family". For those of you that don't know me, I was a parent of a BSS-er a couple of years ago and made the hard decision of leaving. It was hard because I had such awesome relationships with everyone at BSS. I'm coming back to take on the responsibility of the school yearbook. Developing the yearbook is such a passion of mine and I'm happy to be doing it again! The favor that I have to ask of all of you is to send any pictures that you take throughout the school year to the email address below.

bsskypictures@gmail.com

This will be such a big help and the kids will enjoy seeing many of the memories they are making through pictures. I ask that you label the subject line with the grade level of the pictures to ensure, if needed, to put them in the correct section in the yearbook. If there are pictures of kids in different grades together in one pic, I'll take those, too. I look forward to receiving an abundance of pictures from everyone. Thank you for all you do and happy school year!



Men's Open Gym

Interested in hooping it up this fall/winter?

Strap on your rec specs, ankle braces & high tops each week
on Wednesdays from 9-11 PM in the gym.

BSS parishioners only - signed waivers required.

Contact Chris Pfeiffer at christo.pfeiffer@gmail.com
for more details.



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READING PROGRAM



The Xavier Musketeers Reading Program presented by Kroger was established to encourage students in grades 8 and under in the Greater Cincinnati area to read more and have fun doing it! We are very excited to participate in this wonderful program, and it will be offered to all homerooms, grades K-8. The school that has the most students participate will be crowned the Xavier Musketeers Reading Program School of the Year! The winning school will also receive a donation check for their school's library.

Students who read **10 books** will receive the following prizes:

- Xavier membership card good for five (5) admissions to men's soccer, volleyball, women's soccer, women's basketball and baseball during the 2020-21 season.
- MVP Ribbon
- Xavier pen & pencil
- Xavier wristband
- Two (2) tickets to a Xavier Women's basketball game
- Entered into a raffle to win two (2) tickets to a Xavier Men's Basketball game (Date TBD).

To learn more, visit GoXavier.com/ReadingProgram.

Challenge Club

We invite all girls who will be in 5th through 8th grade in the 2019-2020 school year to come see what Challenge is all about. We hope you will consider joining our faith-based service club!

Where: Blessed Sacrament Undercroft

When: Friday, September 6th

Time: 3:30-5 PM

What: Fun, faith- filled activities, and food!

B.S.S. students may come directly after school to enjoy activities before the meeting



About Us:

Challenge is a faith-based club for girls to have fun while living out their beliefs and participating in apostolic projects. High school girls help develop and lead meetings. Challenge provides many opportunities through meetings, retreats, and summer camps to grow as a Catholic girl .

If you are interested in joining or have any questions please contact Lisa Laudenslayer at (513) 235-6872 or challengeatblessedsacrament@gmail.com

Chick-fil-A
Spirit Night

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 18TH 4:00 PM – 9:00 PM



JOIN US FOR FOOD AND FUN! BSS WILL RECEIVE 15% OF SPIRIT NIGHT SALES! YOU MUST MENTION SPIRIT NIGHT OR BSS WHEN PLACING YOUR ORDER FOR US TO RECEIVE CREDIT FOR THE SALE.

MAY BE USED IN STORE OR DRIVE THRU.

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

**CHICK-FIL-A FORT WRIGHT
3436 MADISON PIKE ROUTE 17**

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

FOR 6TH, 7TH & 8TH GRADERS

AIDE AT CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD DURING 9:00 MASS @ BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Children's Liturgy of the Word is held in the Undercroft during 9:00 mass Sunday mornings. Aides should check in with the adult in charge in the Undercroft at 8:50 a.m. and help set up. Then they go to mass as usual, but when the young children are called forward prior to the proclamation of the readings at mass, aides should also come forward and accompany their group to the Undercroft, assisting the adults as needed.

All permission slips should be brought to the parish office in the Bles Center or mailed to:

Rosanne Thomas

Blessed Sacrament Parish

2409 Dixie Highway

Ft. Mitchell, KY 41017

Send to Parish Office by August 30th. Do not send permission slips to the school office.

(If you do not receive a volunteer assignment, it is because we have not received the signed permission slip. If you think you've been overlooked, please contact the Office of Religious Formation: 331-4302, ext 22 or rthomas@bscky.org. All volunteers are valued; we don't want to miss you).

Permission Slips are Due August 30, 2019



☐ **Yes!! My child has my permission to help with the Children's Liturgy of the Word in the Undercroft on Sunday mornings during 9:00 mass.**

Student's name _____ Home Room _____

Parent's signature _____ Phone # _____

E-Mail _____

Schedules are emailed to parents

Send to Parish Office by August 30th. Do not send permission slips to the school office.



Blessed Sacrament String Classes!!!!

(violin, viola, cello, or bass)

Immanuel School of Music's goal is to offer this important outreach program to local schools, which at present have no active string program. These classes will not only teach your child music a string instrument, but important values such as individual discipline, creativity, and teamwork.

Mozart Strings

First Year Class

When: Thursdays 2:45pm – 3:45pm (First Class: Thursday, September 5, 2019)

Extra Activities: 4 Saturday Classes, Private Lesson Opportunities, Online Practice Videos, and 3 Concerts

Where: Blessed Sacrament School

Registration: \$170 a semester/per person (This does not include the rental fee.)

Rental Fee: Violin/Viola \$17.12 a month, Cello \$37.45 a month, and bass \$48.15 a month
(25 student max. / 14 student min.)

Who: 3rd - 5th Grade

No prior music experience necessary. All equipment and books are included with the instrument rental.

The Parent Meeting

Wednesday, August 28th

6:00pm Mozart Strings

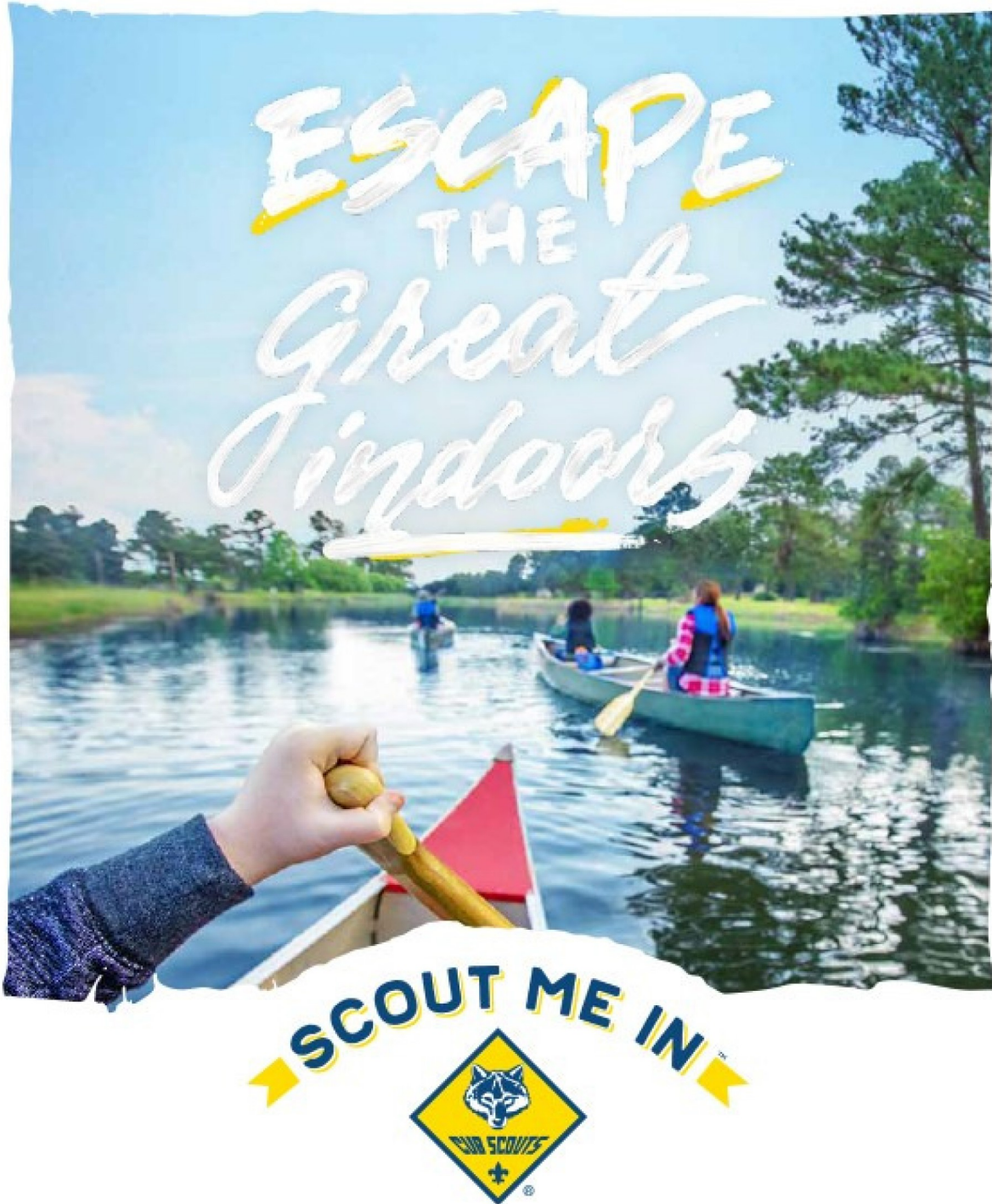
Blessed Sacrament School

At this time, ISM along with the Baroque Violin Shop will be there to answer questions about the class, tuition, rental program, and fee. **All children wanting to participate in the class need to attend this meeting** to be measured for their instrument of choice.

Registration and rental fees will be collected at the parent meeting.

Questions write Susan Sullivan: susans@immanuelumc.org or call 859.341.8555

**Sign-up Night for Cub Scouts is *Tuesday, September 3rd* at
6:30pm in the BSS Undercroft**



**Cub Scouts is open to boys and girls in grades K-5.
Come join the fun!**

Questions? Contact Liz Adair at 859-816-6094 or BSSPack711Committee@gmail.com



Walking with Purpose

transforms the hearts and lives of women by providing Bible studies that enable women to know Christ through Scripture and the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church.

Are you stretched and would like a way to refuel and be refreshed while making authentic connections with others?

Would you like to have a better understanding of your faith and learn more about God?

Coming to Blessed Sacrament this fall!

Thursdays, Sept 19th – Mar 19th

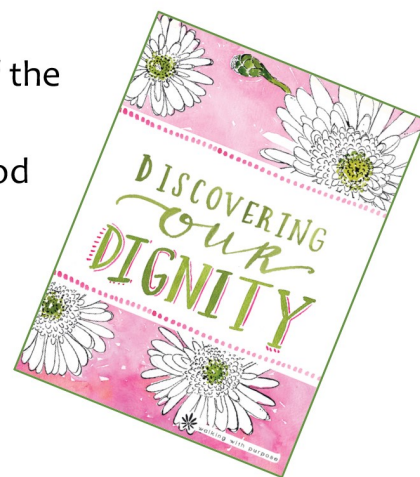
Mornings 10:40am – 12:10pm

Or

Evenings 7:00pm – 8:30pm

Discovering our Dignity

Discovering our Dignity gives us **modern-day advice** from women of the Bible. We learn that women of the Old and New Testament were sometimes as flawed and broken as we can be. Yet, the power of God worked in their lives. Through their stories recorded in Scripture, they reach out to **touch our “present”** in a tender, honest and loving way—**woman to woman**.



Registration: <https://catholiceventsnky.blogspot.com>

Contacts: Email: wwp.bssky@gmail.com

Morning: Ellen Chadwick (859) 630-9894 or Julie Fortner (859) 468-4301

Evenings: Connie Combs (859) 380-2466 or Jeanne VanDusen (859) 609-0936



walking with purpose



Educator of the Week

Coming again soon, we will feature an amazing
BSS educator every week in our Wednesday Newsletter!

Centennial Fun Fact

When George Clooney attended 1st grade at Blessed Sacrament,
he and his family lived on the property now known as Lookout Farm
a subdivision in which many of our students and families currently live!)

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 have photos of BSS events, sports, after-school activities, classroom parties, etc., please send them to Dawna Thompson at bsskypictures@gmail.com

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.