

# BSS NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, September 1, 2021



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## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

**Thursday:**  **SPIRITWEAR DAY**

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

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**Monday:** **NO SCHOOL - LABOR DAY!**

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**Tuesday:** **6:30-7:30 - Girl Scouts "Design-A-Toy" (Parish Center)**

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**Wednesday:** **8:15 - All-School Mass (masks required unless exempt)**

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**9:15 (after mass) - Parent Coffee (Parish Center)**

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

**Thursday:**  **SPIRITWEAR DAY**

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**2:45-3:45 - ISM Mozart Strings Program**

**Friday:**

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## WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

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

**F** Pizza Crunchers, Marinara Sauce,  
Green Beans, Garden Salad, Applesauce,  
Fresh Fruit, Milk

**M** **NO SCHOOL - LABOR DAY!**

**T** Beef Taco with Queso, Salsa, Sour Cream,  
Corn, Black Beans, Diced Pears,  
Fresh Fruit, Milk

**W** Chicken Drumstick, Dinner Roll, Mashed  
Potatoes, Glazed Carrots, Pineapple Tidbits,  
Fresh Fruit, Milk

**Th** Baked Ziti, Garlic Breadstick, Garden Salad,  
Steamed Broccoli, Mandarin Oranges,  
Fresh Fruit, Milk

**F** French Toast, Egg Omelet, Salsa,  
Veggie Boat, Baked Apples, Fresh Fruit, Milk

## 2021-2022 SCHOOL THEME

### Rooted in Christ: Bear Great Fruit

When the branches on a vine bloom,  
fruit results.

God fulfills His purposes,  
producing much fruit through our S.H.A.P.E.  
when we stay connected to Jesus.

The fruit that He produces through us  
blesses others and brings glory to God.

# A Note From Your Administration

Happy Wednesday, parents.

Earlier this week, an administrative meeting was held with Diocesan leaders, including Bishop Foys, Superintendent McGuire, and school administrators. The Diocesan Task Force is now in the process of evaluating school data and feedback. We will communicate any changes or updates if and when we receive them.

We are meeting with our school cluster (BSS, St. Agnes, St. Joseph, & St. Pius) weekly to review local trends and discuss plans of action. Our primary goal is keep kids in school and prevent quarantine situations. We believe that in-person instruction is in the best interest of every student and family in our community. We currently only have one student quarantined due to being a close contact of a family member. We do want to point out that two of our neighboring schools are experiencing large numbers of positive cases and quarantines (~10% of students). In order to avoid such situations, we continue to recommend that students wear masks. If we experience cases, mask wearing will reduce the amount of students who are deemed close contacts and thus allow them to avoid quarantine. Current Diocesan protocol allows for family choice on masking, and we will respect that choice. We simply want our community to be informed when making their decision. Additionally, exercising caution and keeping students home when they experience symptoms is extremely important. The most prevalent COVID symptom reported this time around (especially in children) is a persistent headache. Thank you for helping keep our community healthy and in-person!

We are excited to announce that Stephen Smith of 'A Wired Family' is presenting to our families, staff, and students in grades 4-8 on internet safety and digital footprints. As technology continues to evolve and more young people are exposed to social media, it is important that we continue to educate our community on how to keep our students safe with this technology and inform them about what it means to be a good digital citizen. The parent presentation is scheduled for 10/21 at 6:30 in the undercroft. Please mark your calendars. You will be so happy you attended! A special thanks to Parents' Club for providing our community with this invaluable opportunity.

A BIG welcome to our newest parent volunteers on both Development and Parents' Club. Thank you to Ellen Carlson, Tim Franxman, Jen Wera, Brittany Lawrence, Katie Miller, and Rebecca Heringhaus for their commitment to these two supportive parent groups. BSS is grateful for your time and talent!

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr. Steffen and Mrs. Geiman





# Thumbs Up!

**Thumbs Up for our  
Eighth Grade Flag Crew:  
Madelyn, Logan,  
Max, Korra, and James  
(James is not pictured)**

These students respectfully raise and lower our American flag each school day. We appreciate their dedication!



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## Thumbs Up for BSS alum Kennedy Clark!!

Kennedy has been nominated for KY/IN soccer player of the week in the Cincinnati Enquirer's High School Athletes of the Week poll!

Please take a moment to [CLICK HERE](#) and vote for Kennedy!!!



# Parent Club News

Parent Club invites BSS parents  
to join us for the return of our annual

## **Back to School Coffee!**

Mark your calendars for  
Wednesday, September 8,  
after the 8:15 all school mass!



# Children's Choir

## **Does your child love to sing?**

**Please encourage your 4th - 8th grade students to join  
the Blessed Sacrament Children's Choir!**

Mondays and Wednesdays 2:30-3:30 PM in the Bles Center.

Grades 5-8 will rehearse on Mondays, and Grade 4 will rehearse on Wednesdays.

(location subject to change based upon number of students)

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for a registration form.



# Help Wanted

## **ATTENTION BSS PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS!**

We have several new aide positions available this year in grades 1, 4, and 5.

We also have a floating aide position that needs to be filled.

Ideal candidates would be from our awesome BSS community!

Please contact Mr. Steffen at [dsteffen@bssky.org](mailto:dsteffen@bssky.org) for information on pay, hours, and how to apply, or pass on this information to any qualified candidates.

Thank you!

# Volunteers Needed

**Blessed Sacrament School is looking for two adult volunteers to coach 4th/5<sup>th</sup> grade Future Problem Solving for the '21-'22 Governor's Cup year. Certification is required.**

Future Problem Solving (FPS) is an internationally recognized, award winning program that encourages critical thinking. FPS fosters investigation, ingenuity, creativity and cooperative learning.

If interested, please contact Mrs. Geiman at [jgeiman@bssky.org](mailto:jgeiman@bssky.org) for details about training schedules as well as coaching obligations.

# H.S.P.T. Prep

## ATTENTION 7th & 8th GRADE FAMILIES!

### High School Placement Test (HSPT) Preparation Opportunity

St. Xavier High School will be offering an HSPT preparation course for interested 7th and 8th grade students (boys and girls) at St. Xavier High Saturday, October 30th and November 6th.

The actual HSPT exam will be held on Saturday, November 20th ensuring the concepts and preparation learned in the course stay fresh for exam day.

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



## Info from SUA

**Dawg for a Day** - 8th grade girls are invited to spend a day at SUA! During your special day, you will visit classes, tour our campus, enjoy lunch, meet teachers, and experience the sisterhood that makes Saint Ursula so special! Multiple days are available through December 3. Sign up at [www.saintursulaevents.com/shadow-day](http://www.saintursulaevents.com/shadow-day)

**Educational Services Program Information Night** - September 8 at 6:30. Meet teachers from Saint Ursula's ES Program and find out how SUA supports students with identified learning disorders. Registration available at [www.saintursulaevents.com/educational-services-information-night](http://www.saintursulaevents.com/educational-services-information-night).

**Admissions Information Night** - September 22 at 6:30. This program for 7th and 8th grade girls and their parents will cover the admissions process for Saint Ursula Academy. Sign up at [www.saintursulaevents.com/admissions-information-night](http://www.saintursulaevents.com/admissions-information-night)

**Grade School Volleyball Night** - September 28 at 6:30. Cheer on the Bulldogs with free admission to the varsity volleyball game for students, parents, and coaches! Register at [www.saintursulaevents.com/volleyball-night](http://www.saintursulaevents.com/volleyball-night)

**SAVE THE DATE - Open House** - Sunday, October 24. 7th and 8th grade girls and their families are invited to take an in-depth look at all that SUA has to offer. RSVP REQUIRED at [www.saintursulaevents.com/open-house](http://www.saintursulaevents.com/open-house)  
More information about these events, and additional upcoming events, can be found at [www.saintursula.org/visit.aspx](http://www.saintursula.org/visit.aspx)

We hope to see you on campus soon! Go Bulldogs!





# Help Wanted



**The School Food Services Office of the Diocese of Covington Department of Catholic Schools has an immediate need for candidates for School Cafeteria Manager positions at Blessed Sacrament School in Ft. Mitchell and St. Cecilia School in Independence.**

Each position is full-time, thirty hours per week, during the school year. Primary responsibilities involve overall supervision of the School's meals program, including: managing employees; ordering, receiving, and managing inventory; preparing and serving meals; operating the point-of-sale system; and interacting with school staff, students, and their parents. Organizational and interpersonal skills are essential to this position. Interested individuals may email or call Mrs. Jackie Kaiser, [jkaiser@covdio.org](mailto:jkaiser@covdio.org), 859-392-1536.



# Girl Scouts

**Does your daughter enjoy coming up with new ideas?**

**Has she ever changed the rules to a game  
to make it just a bit better?**

If your girl loves to create, come hang out with us on September 7th and watch as she learns how to design her very own toy! Girl Scouts of Kentucky's Wilderness Road will be hosting a "Design a Toy" event at the Parish Center from 6:30-7:30 pm.

Here, you and your daughter will learn what it means to be an inventor, what makes each toy unique, and what Girl Scouts has to offer!

Feel free to reach out to Ashley Safran at [asafran@gswrc.org](mailto:asafran@gswrc.org) for more information.





We invite all 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls  
to come see what Challenge is all about  
during our first meeting of the year.  
Meetings are two Fridays a month from  
September to April from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

We hope you will consider joining  
our faith-based service club!

Where: Blessed Sacrament Undercroft  
When: Friday, September 17th  
Time: 3:30-5:00 p.m.  
What: Fun, faith-filled activities & food

Questions: contact Lisa Laudenslayer  
at (513) 235-6872 or email  
[challengeatblessedsacrament@gmail.com](mailto:challengeatblessedsacrament@gmail.com)





# From Our Parish

## COFFEE AND DONUTS IS BACK!

Please join us in the undercroft for coffee, juice, and donuts after the Sunday morning Masses, beginning **September 12th**.



*If you, your family, or members of your favorite ministry would like to host one of these events, please use the link below for more information or to sign up:*

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60BoB49A9AC2FA57-coffee>

**Mmmm... Donuts!**



*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](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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