

# BSS NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, November 3, 2021



**NEW VIRTUS  
BULLETIN  
THIS WEEK!**

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

**Thursday:**

**4**



**SPIRITWEAR DAY**

**2:15-3:15** - Quick Recall Practice (grades 6-8)

**4:00-9:00** - BSS Spirit Night: Chick-Fil-A  
(Ft. Wright location)

**Friday:**

**5**

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

**Deadline to register for Ladies Fall Event!**

**Monday:**

**8**

**2:15-3:15** - MathCounts practice

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

**Tuesday:**

**9**

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

**Wednesday:**

**10**

**8:15** - Mass (grades 5-8)

**2:15-3:00** - Homework Buddies

**2:15-3:00** - Lego Robotics Club meeting

**2:15-3:15** - Quick Recall Practice (grades 4-5)

**Thursday:**

**11**



**SPIRITWEAR DAY**

**9:00-9:30** - Veterans Day Prayer Service

**2:15-3:15** - Quick Recall Practice (grades 6-8)

**6:00-7:00** - First Reconciliation Retreat

**Friday:**

**12**

**END OF FIRST TRIMESTER**

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

**6:30-11:30** - Ladies Fall Event (BSS Undercroft)

## WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

**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

**M**

Chicken OR Cheese Quesadilla, Salsa,  
Sour Cream, Refried Beans, Corn,  
Frozen Sidekick, Diced Peaches, Milk

**T**

Cheese Coney OR Hot Dog, Roasted Potatoes,  
Onions, Shredded Cheese, Carrots & Celery  
with Dip, Diced Pears, Fresh Fruit, Milk

**W**

Salisbury Steak, Dinner Roll,  
Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans,  
Pineapple Tidbits, Fresh Fruit, Milk

**Th**

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

**F**

Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup,  
Oyster Crackers, Garden Salad,  
Applesauce, 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

Dear Parents,

We hope that everyone had a nice Halloween weekend with their families. We are now in the home stretch of the trimester, with the last day of the first trimester coming up on Friday, November 12. Report cards will be published the following week. We appreciate everyone's diligence and hard work during this first trimester. Overall, it's been very successful, and we look forward to a strong remainder of the year. Read on for updates.

## COVID Reporting

- ❑ Currently, we have one positive student case in homeroom 1C. No other students are quarantined with a positive case or as a result of exposure.

## Staff Updates

- ❑ We are overjoyed to welcome Mrs. Anni Seiter back to KB. We also want to thank Mrs. Kathleen Michels and Mrs. Annie Soldano, both retired BSS teachers, for their assistance filling in for KB. All of these individuals are such blessings to our community, and our KB kindergarteners would have continued to thrive without them! Please continue to keep Mrs. Seiter's husband in your prayers throughout his recovery.
- ❑ We also want to formally welcome Mrs. Cynthia Baker to our staff. Mrs. Baker has been with us for a few weeks now co-teaching in STREAM and will be leading our Explore program starting second trimester. Mrs. Baker has relatives at BSS and is joining our staff after years as a technology/digital literacy teacher and high school teacher. We feel so lucky to have found a perfect fit for our school. Please help us welcome her!

## Shorts

- ❑ As we are now into November, our students need to transition from wearing shorts to wearing pants, [per our handbook](#). Please have students wear pants starting next week, at the latest. If there is any issue, please reach out to the school office.

## Car Line Reminders

- ❑ Please remember to utilize the car line for morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up. We realize that waiting in car line is not preferable, but for the safety of all of our students, please follow protocols and use the car line unless you have permission from the school office to do otherwise. Thank you.

## Blue Ribbon Award Ceremony

- ❑ Mr. Steffen will be heading to Washington, DC this evening to receive Blessed Sacrament's National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence Award from the US Secretary of Education. Mrs. Debbie Algie will also be attending as a teacher representative. Mrs. Algie is the only member of the teaching staff that has been at Blessed Sacrament for all four of our blue ribbons! There is no one more deserving!

## Date Reminders

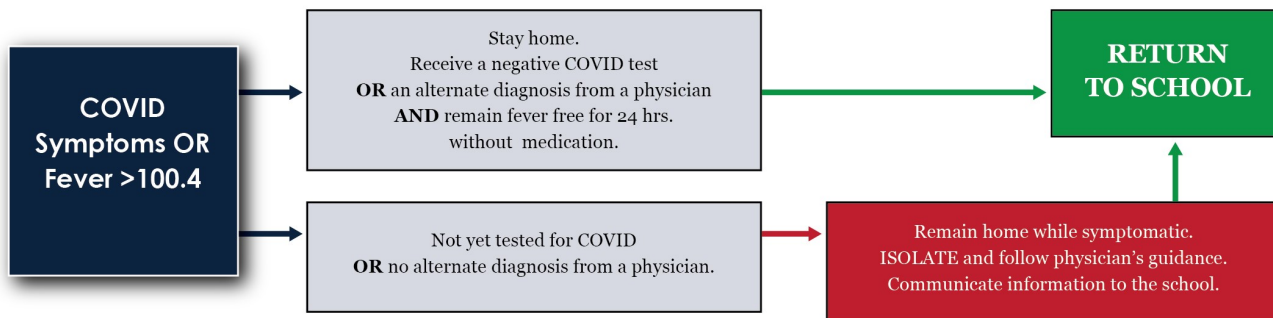
- ❑ Thursday, Nov. 11 is our Veteran's Day Prayer service at 9:00 in the church
- ❑ Thursday, Nov. 11 is also a First Reconciliation retreat for our 2nd grade students
- ❑ Friday, Nov. 12 is the end of the first trimester
- ❑ Friday, Nov. 12 is also Ladies Fall Event
- ❑ Report cards will be published the week of November 15
- ❑ Tuesday, Nov. 16 is school picture retake day
- ❑ Wednesday, Nov. 17 is an all-school Mass
- ❑ Wednesday, Nov 24 – Friday, Nov. 26 is Thanksgiving Break

We are thankful for every member of our blue ribbon community, including you! We appreciate your continued support and we look forward to our very bright future!

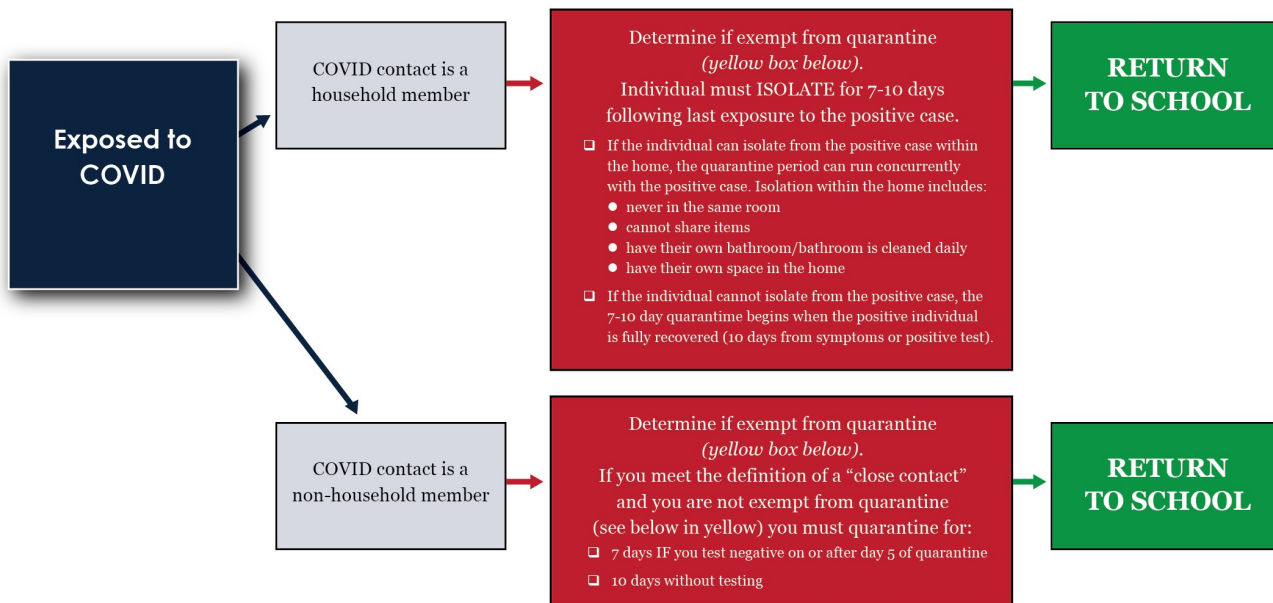
Thank you.

Mr. Steffen & Mrs. Geiman





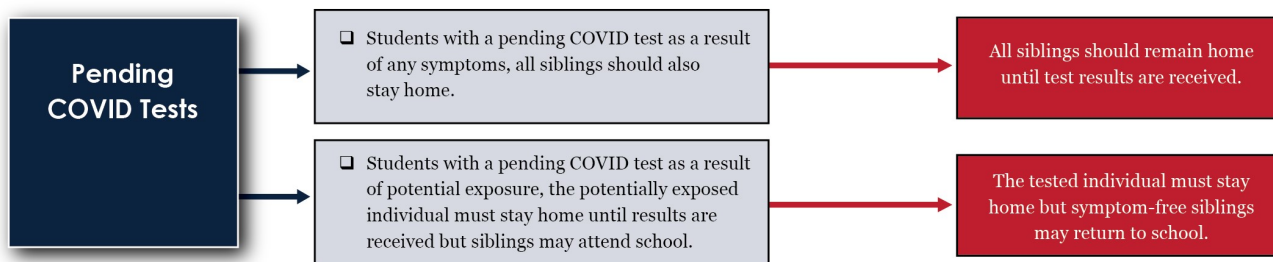
**COVID-19 symptoms include:** fever (above 100.4°F), chills, shortness of breath, fatigue, muscle/body aches, headache, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea and a new, uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing.



**"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.

Individuals in the school setting are **exempt** from quarantine if ANY of the following criteria are met:

- ❑ they are masked and maintain at least 3 feet of space from the positive case
- ❑ they are masked and within 3 feet of the positive case for less than 15 minutes over the prior 24-hours
- ❑ they are fully vaccinated





November 12, 2021

6:30-11:30pm

The Undercroft

-Cashless Event-

-Reserved Tickets \$35-

-Tickets at the Door \$40-

Ticket Price includes:

-Heavy Appetizers-

-Beer, Wine & Seltzer-

First 100 ladies in the door receive

Engraved Highball Glass

Courtesy of Sterling Cut Glass

Limited to 300 people, casual dress

\$1,750 CASH Grand Raffle

-Courtesy of Janice Strachoff Orthodontics-

New Raffle Front Row Reserved Pew

@ Christmas Eve Mass

-Courtesy of Father Hills & Blessed Sacrament Church-

Over 40 Raffle Baskets to Win

Games & Prizes

-Music & Emcee by DJ Lunaman-

Please fill out to purchase your ticket(s) today or you can register online @

<https://blessed-sacrament-parent-club.square.site/>



Name & Guest(s) Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of tickets (\$35 per person): \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor a Teacher: \$10 \_\_\_\_\_ \$20 \_\_\_\_\_ \$30 \_\_\_\_\_ \$40 \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Included: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Send in your RSVP by November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Please make checks payable to BSS Parent Club

# Thumbs Up!



## Thumbs Up for Third Grade!

Our amazing third grade students have been working on their annual “Socktober” service project. For every pair of socks that students bring in, they decorate a sock to hang in the hallway.

Their generosity will help many people in our community stay warm this winter.

Thank you, third grade, for your acts of Christian Kindness and for showing God’s love to others!

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## Thumbs Up for the Berry family, who were featured on the ABC Nightly News last week!

Arden and Hudson’s dad was featured in a national news segment! After years of searching, Mr. Berry located and purchased the classic car that his mother drove when he was a child. Click [HERE](#) to watch!



# Thumbs Up for Alumni!



## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NOTRE DAME ACADEMY STATE CHAMPION VARSITY SOCCER TEAM!

We are especially proud of our BSS alumni team members:  
Kennedy Clark, Kendall Hemsath, Erin Stegman, and Ava Summe,  
and team manager, Autumn Logan.

What a great season - Go PaNDAs!!!



# Info from CCH



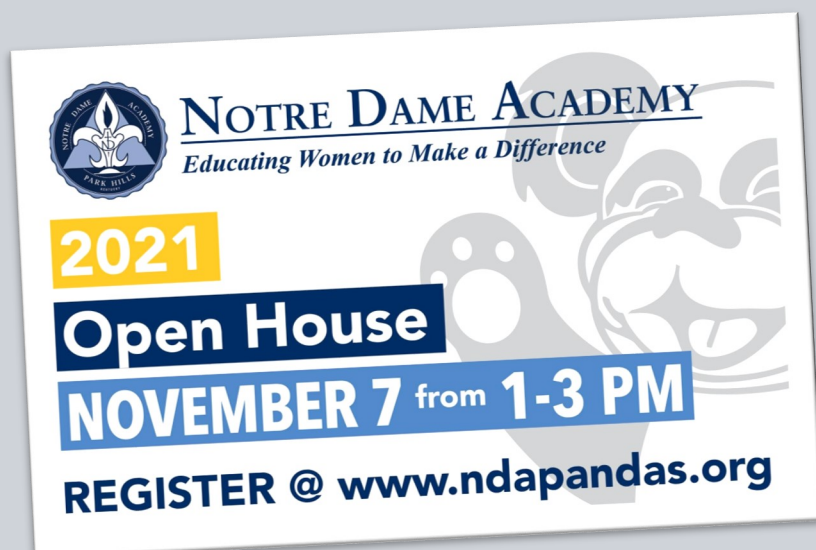
**Open House at Cov Cath is  
THIS SUNDAY (1 - 4 pm)**

Students of any grade level and parents/guardians are invited to attend! Student-led tours, faculty/staff conversations, and clubs & athletics displays are featured.

Please register for an arrival time [HERE](#).



# Info from NDA



**NDA's Open House is  
THIS SUNDAY (1 - 3 p.m.)**

Prospective PaNDAs of all ages are welcome to attend to experience all of the opportunities that NDA has to offer!

Details about all of NDA's fall events can be found at the following link:

<https://www.ndapandas.org/admissions/admissions-process/important-dates>

# Spirit Night!

## SPIRIT NIGHT Fundraiser



Help support Blessed Sacrament School  
November 4, 2021 • 4pm – 9pm

Donating proceeds of  
all Product sales\*

Dine-In, Carry-Out, and Drive-Thru only. Not valid on Mobile Orders.



\*Proceeds of the purchase price before tax from all Product sales. Maximum of \$000 will be donated. See a participating restaurant for more details.  
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# Cheers to BSS

As part of this year's Evening to Treasure, we are excited to announce that Cheers to BSS is selling our very own New Riff Distillery Single Barrel bottle! This one-of-a-kind bottle will be a New Riff barrel proof single barrel bourbon and will be customized with the BSS logo engraved on the back and a specialty Cheers to BSS label on the side. Limited to 60 bottles!!!



Only 60 bottles available,  
so make sure to get yours TODAY!  
Bottles will be ready for pick-up  
at Evening to Treasure (or after).

These bottles are perfect  
for yourself or as a gift!

## ***Purchase details:***

*New Riff Barrel Proof Single Barrel with engraved BSS logo - \$75/bottle  
Orders and payment due: Monday, November 22nd  
Please [CLICK HERE](#) to order!*

*All payments to Josh Colvin via Venmo @josh-colvin-7  
or cash/check to Josh Colvin (dropped off to school)  
Questions contact Bethany Flick at [bethanyflick@hotmail.com](mailto:bethanyflick@hotmail.com) or [859.512.1651](tel:859.512.1651)*



# Art Contest

## Junior American Citizens Stamp Design Contest

The Rebecca Bryan Boone Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution is sponsoring the Junior American Citizens (JAC) Stamp Design Art Contest. The theme of this year's contest is "The 100th Anniversary of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier: Rise and Shine for Duty, Honor and Patriotism." Students in grades 1-12 residing or attending school in Kenton County are eligible to participate.

**The Chapter due date for this contest is November 12, 2021.**

*Entries are judged by grade on three levels (gifted, general and special needs), and the winning entries in each grade & level will be sent to the state level competition. Each entry should be 5" x 7" drawn in the center of an 8-1/2" x 11" sheet of white paper (template attached) and accompanied by an entry form. Designs may be laminated or placed in a protective sleeve, but not in folders.*

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for contest rules

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for entry form

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for a stamp template



# From Mrs. Weber

## Save the Date for our annual Blessed Sacrament School Christmas Concert

**Thursday, December 16 at 8:00 am (in church)**  
*featuring grades K-6 singing the Sounds of Christmas  
from around the world!*

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION](#)

# 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!

**Wednesday, November 17 from 2:15-3:30 p.m.**

We will meet in the cafeteria and walk over to the Undercroft where we will share our talents! All levels invited! (snack will be provided)



Please [CLICK HERE](#) for a permission slip which must be returned to Mrs. Weber by November 15!

If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Weber at [MWeber@bssky.org](mailto:MWeber@bssky.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](mailto:cpfeiffer@comey.com).

# Parent Club News

**Did you know that you can email your receipts  
to BoxTops 4 Education through your linked Kroger app  
in just 5 simple steps?**

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for detailed information from the Boxtops 4 Education website,  
or see below for instructions from the Kroger app.

#### **Kroger App Instructions:**

- ☐ Open app and click the three lines in the top right hand corner
- ☐ Click on "my purchases"
- ☐ Click on one of your qualifying purchases (if you don't know, you can send anyway and Box Tops for Education will let you know via email if it qualified or not)
- ☐ Click on Receipt in the top right hand corner
- ☐ Click on the three circle branches in the top right hand corner and email through your mail app on your phone to the email address [receipts@boxtops4education.com](mailto:receipts@boxtops4education.com) (no need to put subject in the email)

Thank you for supporting our school!

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# SKI CLUB

**30%  
DISCOUNT  
ENDS SUNDAY!**

**Join BSS Ski Club at 30%  
off if you sign up by Nov. 7**

Simply go to [perfectnorth.com/clubs](http://perfectnorth.com/clubs)

Club name: Blessed Sacrament

Username: bss

Password: center

Use the 3-line menu in the upper left  
corner and select your pass

If you are looking to add the January  
BSS group lessons, they will be on  
Thursdays this season. These are an  
optional add on that will be just BSS

ski club members in these lessons.

There is always a top of the hour  
lesson available every hour as well  
provided daily at Perfect North.

**Join our facebook page:  
Blessed Sacrament Ski Club  
Email [valerie\\_dyas@yahoo.com](mailto:valerie_dyas@yahoo.com) if you  
have any questions**



# Volunteers Needed

Our intervention team needs help with putting some materials together. We have been blessed with an excellent set of PDF books for our students, but need help with making the copies and assembling the books.

If you think you can help, please reach out to Sarah Wischer at [swischer@bssky.org](mailto:swischer@bssky.org) or Vonnie Zerhusen at [vzerhusen@bssky.org](mailto:vzerhusen@bssky.org).

# 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.



# From Our Parish

## Notes for November



Mass of  
Remembrance  
For Our  
Beloved Dead  
7 p.m.  
November 2



### FALL CLEANUP

November 13 9 a.m. – NOON

Bring a rake, broom, leaf blower (no power cords), and work gloves if you have them.

PIZZA BREAK AT 11 a.m.

Adults, teens, and families only. Children under 14 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.

*Blessed Sacrament Church*

BECOMING STEWARDS IN COMMUNITY



# Other Information and Links

**TURKEYFOOT  
TROT 5K  
WALK/RUN**

**St. Ursula Academy  
DREAM DAY  
(Women in STEM)**

# 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.)

## Check us out on Social Media



<https://www.facebook.com/BSSKY>



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is to spiritually, academically, and personally develop active Catholics  
using the Gospel teachings of Jesus Christ.