BSS NEWSLETTER



Wednesday, November 30, 2022













WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Thursday:

SPIRITWEAR DAY

4th Grade Ellis Island Day!

2:15-3:15 - Junior High Quick Recall Practice

2:15-3:15 - Sixth Grade Quick Recall Practice

Friday:

8:15 - Mass (grades k-4)

2:15-3:15 - BSS Dance Club

(Undercroft)

3:30-5:00 - Challenge Club (Undercroft)

Click HERE for Spiritwear Sale! ENDS SUNDAY!

Monday:

Dinsmore Homestead Visits Kindergarten!

2:15-3:15 - Math Counts

2:15-3:30 - Children's Choir Rehearsal (grades 5-8)

6:00-7:30 - First Reconciliation

Tuesday:

2:15-3:30 - Children's Choir Rehearsal (grade 4)

4:00-9:00 - BSS Spirit Night at Dewey's Pizza (Crestview Hills location only)

6:00-7:00 - BSS PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

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

Thursday: NO SCHOOL - HOLY DAY

(Feast of the Immaculate Conception)

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

3:30-5:00 - Challenge Club (*Undercroft*)

CHALLENGE BABYSITTING NIGHT! (6:00-9:00 in the Parish Center)

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

3 or 4 Way Chili Spaghetti, Diced Onions, Shredded Cheese, Oyster Crackers, Kidney Beans, Glazed Carrots, Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Bananas, Milk

Mini French Toast or Mini Waffles, Syrup Cup, Scrambled Eggs, Smile Fries, Veggie Boats with Dip, Baked Apples, Fresh Oranges, Milk

Fiestada Pizza or Chicken/Cheese Quesadilla, Salsa Cup, Corn, Refried Beans, Peach Cups, Frozen Sidekicks, Milk

Chicken Tenders or Fish Tenders. Waffle Fries, Green Beans, Mini Biscuit, Pear Cups, Fresh Apples, Milk

Spaghetti with Meatballs or Chicken Alfredo, Garlic Breadstick, Glazed Carrots, Garden Salads, Pineapple Tidbits, Dried Cranberries or Cherries, Milk

Confetti Pancakes, Sausage Patties, Syrup Cup, Smile Fries, Veggie Boats with Dip, Baked Apples, Fresh Bananas, Milk

Grilled Cheese or Cheesy Flatbread, Tomato Soup, Garden Salads, Oyster Crackers, Applesauce, Fresh Oranges, Milk

2022-2023 SCHOOL THEME



Throughout the school year, we are encouraging our students to be "all in" with school, church, extra-curriculars, and everything that they are involved in. Our school and parish are committed to being examples of this message every day.

We expect our students to always give the best of themselves and be fully present and involved in whatever they do here at Blessed Sacrament!

Thank you for your support!

A Note From Your Administration

Dear Families and Friends,

I'm writing to update you on our plans for BSS Preschool. After careful consideration, we have decided to use our two 2^{nd} grade classrooms for our preschool next year. We will be installing a sink in each classroom, and our 2^{nd} grade classrooms will be moving up to the 3^{rd} grade rooms. One third grade room will remain, and the other will reclaim the current Explore classroom on the first floor. This means we will still have the Parish Center to use for other activities throughout the year. Open House for Preschool is scheduled for Sunday, December 4^{th} from 12:15-2:00 p.m., and Tuesday, December 6^{th} from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Registration for preschool will begin at the Open House.

Our Advent Prayer Service was lovely yesterday. Thank you to our specialists for organizing it and the 5th grade students for leading us in prayer, lessons, and song. We are so blessed to have such a beautiful space to worship, and to be part of a community where we take time to pause, pray, and prepare for the coming of Jesus Christ into the world.

Much is happening in the month of December, so please pay attention to the school calendar posted on the website. The Santa Shop runs from December 5th- 7th. We celebrate St. Nicholas Day on Tuesday, December 6th. There is no school on Thursday, December 8th, for the Immaculate Conception.

In hopeful anticipation,

Mrs. Aideen Briggs Principal, Blessed Sacrament School

"Be patient with all things. But, first of all, with yourself." - St. Francis de Sales

Did You Know...

If you are not sure whom to contact in the office, you can send an email to bssoffice@bssky.org. This is the best email to use when your child is absent from school. This email goes to a group as different people are in the office on different days. If you have a question regarding tuition, you need to contact the Parish business manager, Mrs. Carol Rector (crector@bscky.org).



Thumbs Up!



Charlie A. (5th grade)
participated in a regional
Geography Bee and qualified
for the National Geography Bee
that he will be attending
in Arlington, Virginia this June!
Way to go, Charlie! We are SO
proud of you and wish you the
best of luck at Nationals!



Thumbs Up for Alumni!

Congratulations to the following BSS alumni who were listed on the Honor Roll for the first quarter at their respective high schools.

We are so proud of all of you!

Nathan Arkenau Tuler Arkenau Henry Atkins Cambren Ayres Andrew Bessler Casey Bir Jacob Brown Thomas Cahill Christopher Chun Lucy Colvin Ella Derry Jonah Deters Joseph Deters Noah Edwards Charlie Eiting Anthony Epplen Patrick Ernst

Andrew Farley

Thomas Frondorf Drew Fullenkamp Trent Gieske Hope Hampton Kingston Harmeling Jack Harris Tyler Heck Owen Heck Ryan Hetzer Mason Heyob Evan Hignite Logan Johns Aidan Kennedy Joseph Kennedy Luke Kirby Samuel Klaene Brendan Kleman Anna Lange

Ellen Lange Jack Lange Luke Meagher Alex Moening Jack Moore Erin O'Connell Meghan O'Connell Molly O'Connell Carson Patrick Jack Pfeiffer Sam Pfeiffer Luke Pieper Grace Reynolds Joe Rice Anna Riordan Jack Robke Grayson Rohmiller Madyson Ross

Sean Schierberg
Griffin Slazyk
Xavier Thomas
Lila Timmerding
Theo Timmerding
Clemente Volk
Lucas Volk
Eli Wagner
Gabe Weis
Henry Wendt
Max Wischer
Lucas Workman

Note: some high schools do not release Honor Roll lists until the end of the semester.



What does ALL mean to you?

Does it seem like an Annual Giving Campaign donation is out of reach for you? At Blessed Sacrament School, every donation matters and every donation makes a difference.

Consider the total cost of your family's monthly streaming services.

Are you willing to set a portion of that money aside to help continue providing the most up-to-date technology to our students?



The annual cost of online streaming services can quickly add up to \$1000. Sometimes, we are even paying for services that we no longer use. Instead of watching tv, think about using part of your family's screen time to serve the community!

Donate the cost of a lesser used streaming service, and choose to be **ALL IN** by donating to this year's Annual Giving Campaign!

Our goal this year is 100% participation among school families to show that we are

ALL IN for BSS!



CLICK HERE TO MAKE A DONATION - BE ALL IN!

Parents' Club News

Parents' Club Mission Statement

The purpose 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, with money obtained through fundraisers, for enrichment programs that benefit the students of our parish school.

Board Members 2021-2022

Maydie Conkin, President maydiemack@hotmail.com

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SIMPLE CHRISTMAS GIVING

EACH YEAR, PARENT CLUB COLLECTS MONEY TO PROVIDE ALL TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, SPECIALISTS, AND STAFF WITH A GIFT. IF YOU PAID THIS YEAR'S PARENT CLUB DUES, YOU HAVE ALREADY CONTRIBUTED TO THIS, AND YOU CAN CHECK THIS OFF YOUR CHRISTMAS LIST! WE THANK YOU!!!!

This gift is separate from and classroom requests you may receive from your Homeroom Parents or Grade Level

Upcoming SPIRIT NIGHTS

Dewey's Pizza (Crestview Hills)

December 6th

SPIRIT NIGHTS 2022-2023

City Bird \$173

Coldstone \$85.29

Erlanger Skyline \$120

Erlanger Putt Putt \$231

Chipotle \$447.86

Chick-fil A \$170

Total: \$1227.15

Did you know that BSS can benefit from your Holiday Shopping?



- See the Community Rewards Tab at the bottom of the newsletter to link your Kroger, Remke and Amazon accounts for BSS to receive \$\$ when you shop!
- You can purchase Gift Cards through BSS and school receives a % of sales! Link for Gift Card Order Form below!

Development Committee

Are you excited to Bet on BSS and spend an evening with your School Family on February 25, 2023, at the Newport Syndicate?

If so, have you thought about becoming a corporate sponsor of the event? For 2023, we have Sponsorship levels of \$250, \$500, \$1500, \$2,500, \$5,000, and \$7,500+. Beginning at \$500, you can receive a variety of benefits including Social Media Recognition, tickets, signs on campus, premium seating and more!

For additional information about becoming a corporate sponsor, reach out to Development at development@bssky.org. If you have a lead for a potential new corporate sponsor, please send their information to us, too.

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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.

BSS STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS November 2022

A Word From Our President & Vice President:



"As the President of the Student Council, I have learned that it is more than an afterschool activity. It is an organization that can positively impact the school! It means a lot to me that I was elected, as it allows me to help the students turn their ideas into reality, which is something very special." -Caleb Wiest

"I am honored to be Vice President of the Student Council. I love how I have the opportunity to grow as both a student and a leader. I enjoy collaborating with my peers and working together to solve problems. I am looking forward to a successful school year both spiritually and academically." -Liam Crossen

November Recap

Student Council members wrapped the trees in blue lights, created posters for the donation collection, finalized spirit wear days, distributed coloring contest pictures, and worked on a fundraising proposal.

We also contacted a few businesses that serve the community to find out how we can help! We're also planning our next \$1 out-of-uniform day!

Upcoming Events

- Collection for St. Charles running until December 1st.
- December 15th is a spirit wear day.
 Students can wear festive tops/accessories with uniform bottoms!
- · CSW Jan. 30th- Feb. 3rd
 - In need of StuCo volunteers to read at the weekend masses!
 - In need of StuCo volunteers for open house on Jan. 22nd.

Reminders Next meeting: December 15th

- Secret Santa reveal, remember to bring your \$15 gift.
- Pizza party!



Future Meeting Dates: Jan 19th Feb. 16th Mar. 23rd April 20th May 18th

Advisors

Mrs. Woodring & Mrs. Baker swoodring@bssky.org cbaker@bssky.org

"The world of the future is in our making. Tomorrow is now." -Eleanor Roosevelt

Santa Shop is coming up December 5th - 7th! Gift list envelopes will come home with your student this week. Send the envelopes back to school with your student on December 5th. Cash or Check (made payable to BSS Parent Club). All items are priced \$1-\$5. Students can shop for parents, siblings, grandparents, teachers, friends, other family members and even pets!



GIVING TREE

OUR GIVING TREES, BOTH IN CHURCH AND ONLINE, OFFER AN OPPORTUNITY TO HELP THOSE IN NEED. HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED WHAT YOU WOULD BRING IF YOU COULD VISIT THE STABLE WHEN JESUS WAS BORN? WHAT YOU DO FOR HIS BROTHERS AND SISTERS, YOU DO FOR HIM.

Online Giving Tree: HERE

Leave your gifts, <u>un</u>wrapped with tags attached, in the bins inside the church entrances by December 11. You can also take advantage of our church parking lot drop off: 12/11/22 from 10:30 am-12:30 p.m.

Gifts will be delivered to those in need through Be Concerned, Catholic Charities, and CareNet.

Have a blessed and Merry Christmas!

LETTERS TO SANTA, LETTERS FROYH SANTA



NOVEMBER 14TH - DECEMBER 12TH

Mail a letter to Santa and receive a response from him by Christmas!

SANTA EXPRESS MAILBOX LOCATIONS

KENTON COUNTY LIBRARIES

Covington 502 Scott Blvd.

Covington, KY 41011

Erlanger 401 Kenton Lands Erlanger, KY 41018

Independence 1992 Walton-Nicholson Independence, KY 41051

KENTON COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES

1020 Mary Laidley Dr, Covington, Kentucky 41017

ONLINE

bit.ly/kcletterstosanta

REMEMBER TO BRING A NONPERISHABLE FOOD OR PERSONAL CARE ITEM DONATION FOR BE CONCERNED.

KENTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER

1840 Simon Kenton Way, Covington, Kentucky 41011

HISTORIC KENTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE

5272 Madison Pike, Independence, KY 41051

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:







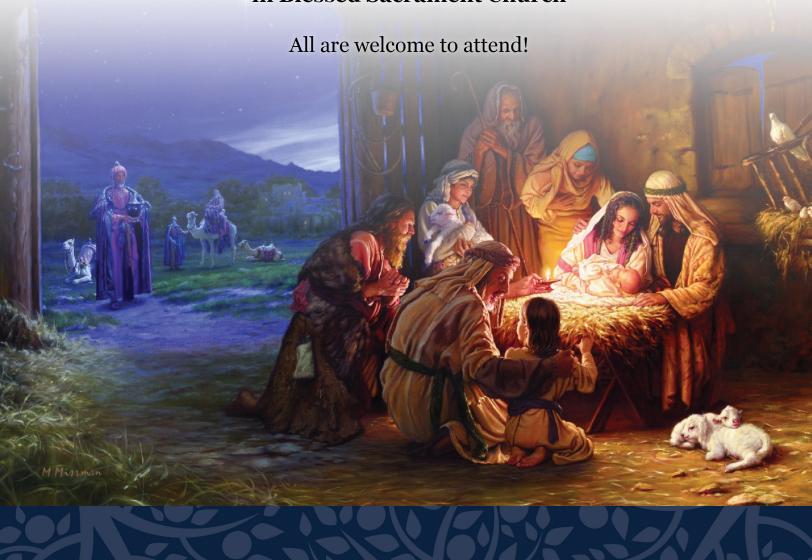
JUDE'S CUSTOM EXHAUST, AUTO REPAIR & TOWING



"All is Calm, All is Bright"

Please mark your calendars to join us as kindergarten through fifth grade students perform some of our favorite Christmas songs!

Wednesday, December 21, 2022 at 1:00 pm in Blessed Sacrament Church



Courselor's Corner



As the second trimester is off to a great start, I wanted to re-introduce myself and let you know what it is a school counselor does!

My name is Jamie Gastright and this is my 2nd year at BSS and my 7th year as a school counselor. I work with students in grades K-8 to help support them socially, emotionally and academically. I provide classroom lessons and short term individual counseling.

If you feel your child may need some additional support, please feel free to reach out. I am in the office on Mondays/Wednesdays/Fridays. You can reach me at 859-331-3062 or by email at igastright@bssky.org Thanks!

Supplies Needed

IT'S TIME AGAIN FOR THE EIGHTH GRADE SCRAPBOOK!

This is a wonderful tradition that our students participate in every year.

Our eighth graders are working on their scrapbook pages throughout the month of December and are in need of scrapbooking supplies! If you, or someone you know, has any extra supplies, please send them in to the school office!

Items needed: stickers, embellishments, letters, adhesives, double-sided tape (We do not need any scrapbook paper.)

Any unused items will be stored and passed on to next year's eighth grade students.

Thank you for your help! Please contact Miranda Kleman with any questions (mgkbko6@yahoo.com).

BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL An Evening to Treasure B S S

What is Evening to Treasure?

Evening to Treasure is an annual event held to fundraise for our outstanding Blue Ribbon school. The combined fundraising from Annual Giving Campaign and Evening to Treasure raise approximately \$250,000 per year!

Specifically, these funds support:

- ☐ A significant portion of the salaries of our specialist teachers (math, reading, intervention, speech, counselor, etc.)
- ☐ Technology devices and infrastructure
- ☐ Technology safeguards and security measures
- ☐ Physical building enhancements
- ☐ Improvements to building and cyber security

All of these necessities play an integral part in our children's education, but most of the funds are allocated toward specialists. Having these specialized teachers on staff provides intensive intervention for students in need and acceleration and enrichment for others. Without your generosity, these unique opportunities would not be available to our student population, and the learning in our building would not be as high quality as it is. Evening to Treasure is truly important because we have witnessed its direct benefits; it makes Blessed Sacrament School a place people are proud to send their children. Without this event, fundraising would be up to the children, and the hard work they would invest would not produce even a quarter of the success that comes out of this one special evening.

Please **SAVE THE DATE** for our 30th annual Evening to Treasure! We will be ALL IN with the same goal: to raise the necessary funds to provide our children with the best educational resources to be successful and have lots of FUN while doing it! This year the event will be held at Newport Syndicate on Saturday, February 25th, 2023.

The theme is Casino Night. BE ALL IN and BET ON BSS!

Many more details to follow in the coming weeks! If you would like to be a corporate sponsor or add items to E2T silent auction, please see attached forms.

We look forward to a successful and fun evening,

Your Evening to Treasure Chairs,

Elizabeth Weckenbrock, Lauren Wulfeck, and Lindsey White

Silent Auction Letter

Silent Auction Form

Sponsorship Form

Challenge Babysitting Night

Have your kids enjoy some Reindeer Games, Crafts and Snacks while giving you much needed time in the busy holiday season!

Date: December 9, 2022

Where: Blessed Sacrament Parish Center

Time: 6:00-9:00 P.M.

Cost: \$10 per child/\$25 per family

(pay in person at event)

Ages: Children 3-9 yrs. old

(potty trained)

RSVP: challengeatblessedsacrament@gmail.com
Questions:

Melissa Stegman (859) 801-1410 Jenni VonLehman (859) 466-9036

Proceeds support BSC Challenge Club & their local service projects!



Thank You for your support!!

EAT PIZZA RAISE DOUGH



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6 4:00 - 9:00



All supporters, family, and friends are invited to eat pizza and raise funds! Mention this flyer when ordering and up to 20% of all food purchases will be donated to **BSS Parents Club**.

Order Online: deweyspizza.com [mention "GBN" in Order Notes]

DEWEY'S PIZZA, CRESTVIEW HILLS 2949 DIXIE HWY | 859.341.2555



Valid only on 12.6.22 at Dewey's Pizza Crestview Hills. Not valid with DoorDash delivery.



GROUP GUITAR LESSONS Jan-April 2023 offered at your school. Grades 6–8th. Use your own guitar or purchase a new guitar thru ISM.

<u>Sign up</u> to secure your spot! <u>Private lessons</u> also available at ISM Lakeside Campus if preferred.

Immanuel School of Music





Teacher: <u>Jimmy Rinehart</u>
Location: <u>Your School</u>
Cost: \$175 per group class
(January-April 2023)

Guitar: Extra Cost of \$199 to purchase a new guitar at ISM's special price; Guitar Orders Due Wednesday, January 4th; may use your own guitar if preferred

For more information or to sign up, visit:

https://immanuelumc.org/ism/guitar-classes

ISM 859.341.8555

Community Events

CLICK HERE for information about VIRTUS TRAINING

CLICK HERE for BSS CHILDREN'S CHOIR registration CLICK HERE for FATIMA PROGRAM information

CLICK HERE for information about BSS SKI CLUB

A FEW REMINDERS...

- ☐ Please consider keeping a small hand sanitizer in backpacks and lunch boxes
- Our current arrival and dismissal procedures can be found in the handbook (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 **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.

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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