

BSS NEWSLETTER

Thursday, December 9, 2021



**NEW VIRTUS
BULLETIN
THIS WEEK!**



WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Thursday:

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SPIRITWEAR DAY

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

6:00-7:00 - First Reconciliation (2C and PSR)

7:15-8:15 - First Reconciliation (2A and 2B)

Friday:

10

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

Monday:

13

2:15-3:15 - MathCounts practice

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

Tuesday:

14

12:30-2:00 - Confession (*grade 7*)

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

Wednesday:

15

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

12:30-2:00 - Confession (*grade 3*)

2:30-3:15 - Elementary Quick Recall Practice (*4B*)

2:15-3:15 - Lego Robotics Club (*8A*)

Thursday:

16



SPIRITWEAR DAY

8:00-9:30 - **CHRISTMAS CONCERT** (*in church*)

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

2:15-3:15 - Student Council Meeting

2:30-3:15 - Elementary Quick Recall Match (*4B*)

Friday:

17

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

11:15-12:45 - Christmas Parties (*kindergarten*)

1:20-2:00 - Christmas Parties (*grades 1-4*)

1:30-2:00 - Christmas Parties (*grades 5-8*)

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

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

M

Mini Corn Dogs, Mac & Cheese, Corn,
Broccoli with dip, Frozen Sidekick,
Diced Peaches, Milk

T

Cheeseburger/Hamburger, Potato Wedges,
Baked Beans, Diced Pears, Fresh Fruit, Milk

W

Roast Beef and gravy, Mashed Potatoes,
Green Beans, Pineapple Tidbits,
Fresh Fruit, Milk

Th

3 or 4 Way Chili Spaghetti, Kidney Beans,
Onions, Shredded Cheese, Oyster Crackers,
Glazed Carrots, Veggie Boat,
Mandarin Oranges, Milk

F

Donato's Cheese Pizza, Steamed Broccoli,
Garden Salad, Applesauce, Fresh Fruit, Milk

WEEKEND MASSES

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

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am
11:00am

A Note From Your Administration

Good Afternoon, parents!

With only six school days left before Christmas break, we know that excitement is building for everyone. Excitement for time with family and friends, for time to relax and recharge, and most importantly of all, for this joyous holiday! We have been working diligently to help our students prepare their minds and hearts during this Advent season. We ask that, in this final week leading up to Christmas while students are away from school, you help them continue their preparation! Thank you.

We want to thank our Parent's Club and associated volunteers for hosting the Santa shop for our students. It was beautifully decorated, well-stocked, and well-run. We appreciate their time and effort making it such a success. The students enjoyed their holiday shopping!

Here are some additional updates:

First Reconciliation

- ☐ Tonight, our 2nd graders receive their first Holy Reconciliation. Please keep them in your prayers as they celebrate this milestone in their faith!

Christmas Concert

- ☐ Join us on the morning of December 16th at 8 AM to sit prayerfully in the church enjoying the sounds of Christmas as we "Light the World with Christ." The concert will feature all Kindergarten through 6th grade students as well as Mrs. Weber's Morning Music Group and Mr. Spencer's Children's Choir. The program should last approximately 1 hour. We are excited to be able to sing again! Please do not park in the parking lots until 7:30 at the earliest, after the car line concludes and school has begun.

Covid Reporting

- ☐ As of today, one student is quarantined because of a positive result from homeroom 1C. Three additional students are quarantined as close contacts of a positive case.
- ☐ Given the trends in our county and at other schools, these numbers are an incredible accomplishment! The most effective means of spread prevention is keeping students at home when they show symptoms and following protocols. We really, really appreciate everyone's help with this. Again, given the size of our school and community, these numbers are very impressive!

Procedural Reminders

- ☐ Please continue to send your children with masks each day and backup masks in their backpack.
- ☐ We will let you know at the end of each week if the masking protocol has changed for the following week. If we do not send an update, the masking protocol remains the same (i.e. if we are masked, as we are this week, and we don't send an update, then we are also masked next week).
- ☐ Students are "tardy" beginning at 7:20. Recently, students have been arriving later and later. While we realize that sometimes this is out of your control, please work to ensure your children are in their homeroom by 7:20.
- ☐ Remember that dropping off or picking up in the front lot is prohibited without permission from the school office. Also, please exercise extreme caution when driving in our front lots around arrival and dismissal, as there are many pedestrians around. Thanks for helping keep everyone safe.

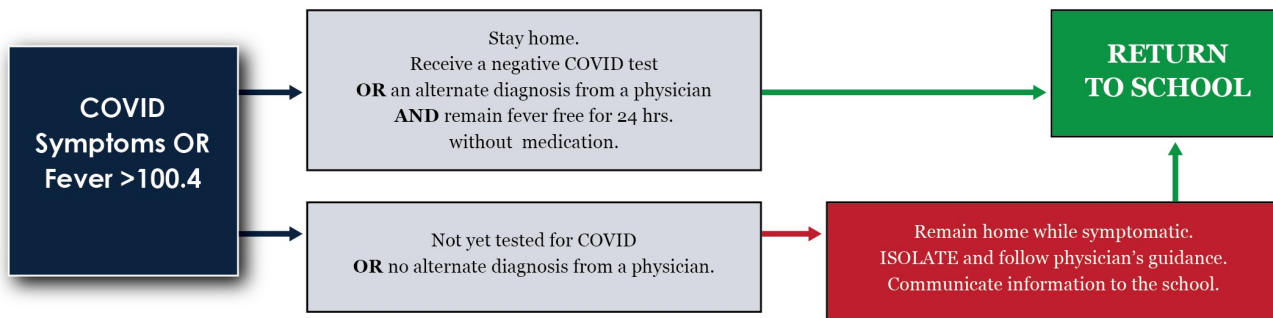
Date & Event Reminders

- ☐ 12/10 – All School Mass at 8:15
- ☐ 12/15 – 5 – 8 Mass at 8:15
- ☐ 12/16 – K – 6 Christmas Concert in Church at 8:00
- ☐ 12/17 – K – 4 Mass at 8:15
- ☐ 12/18 – 1/2 – Christmas Break

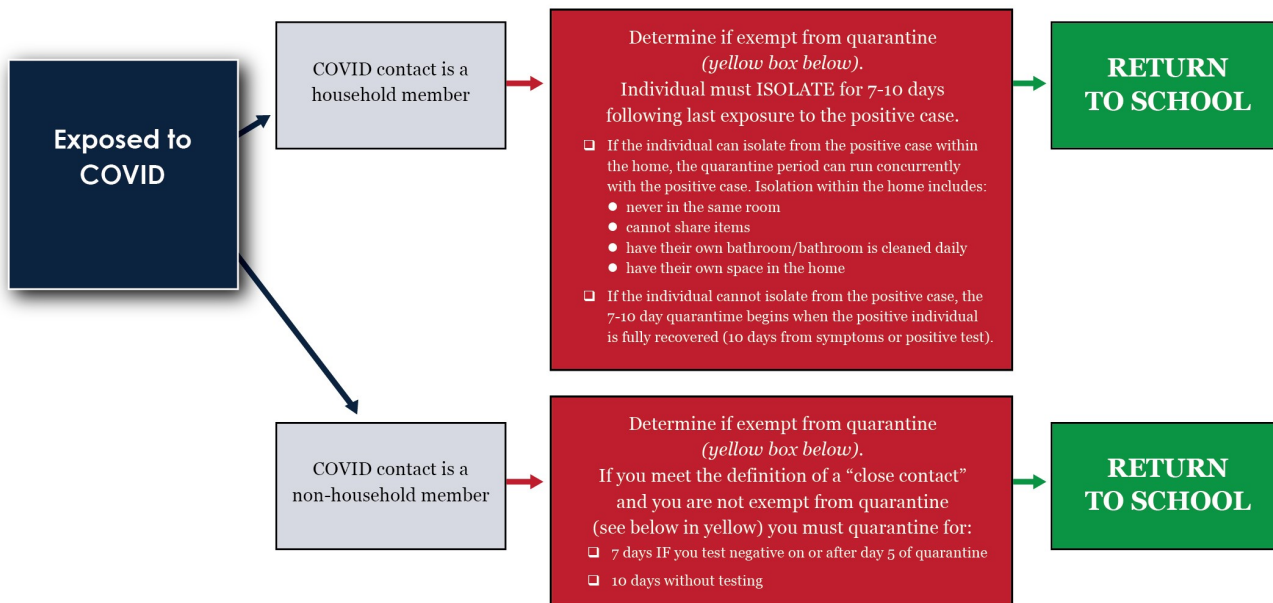
As we count our blessings this holiday season, please know that we count each one of you. Our community is so strong because of your involvement! We look forward to our continued partnership and to a successful remainder of the school year.

God Bless,

Mr. Steffen & Mrs. Geiman



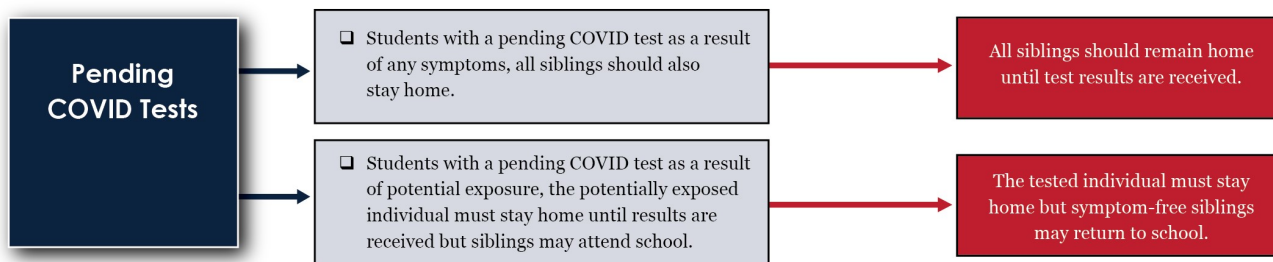
COVID-19 symptoms include: fever (above 100.4°F), chills, shortness of breath, fatigue, muscle/body aches, headache, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea and a new, uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing.



"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





Be the **WHY**



Thank you to the following school families
who have generously donated to this year's
BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL
ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN!

*Tim & Elizabeth Adair
Brian & Margo Baumgardner
Jared Bosley
Aaron & Caroline Brock
Kyle & Brigid Brown
Pat and Angela Brown
Robert Cafera & Janice Struckhoff
Adam & Jennifer Colvin
William & Maydie Conkin
Eric & Katie Cox
Trevor & Jill Crossen
Gene & Angela Dinkens
Brook & Valerie Dyas
Kenneth Eling & Jennifer Grace
Steve & Sarah Epplen
Matt & Annie Ernst
Scott & Mary Ellen Farrell
James & Beth Frondorf
Robert & Jackie Grimes
Ryan & Rebecca Heringhaus
Tom & Emily Hudepohl
Paul & Emily Jasinski
Tom & Chris Kennedy
Kevin & Miranda Kleman
James & Paola Kruempelman
Jeff & Kathy Lamb*

*John & Marcy Lange
Jodi Lovell
Mike and Mary McKeown
Christopher & Jessica Pfeiffer
Mike Rohmiller & Kim Draud
Mark & Shannon Scheuerle
Todd & Leeann Smiser
Arick & Ashleigh Stall
Joe & Kayla Steltenkamp
Brennan & Cadie Sweeney
Julie Tapke
Erin Timmerding
Colt & Adrienne Vannarsdall
Rachael Victoria
Rob & Anita Wagner
Daniel & Christine Warren
Dan & Meghan Weber
Mike & Elizabeth Weckenbrock
Matt and Susan Weis
Marc & Jessica Wendt
Christopher & Michelle Wiest
Jeff & Ashley Witzgall
Ryan & Erin Woods
Thomas & Lindsay Workman*

*donations through 12/2/21

CLICK HERE TO DONATE

Thumbs Up!



Thumbs Up for our 3rd grade students!

Each sock that was colored and hung on the wall in the third grade hallway represents a pair of socks donated to families in need in our community.

We are so proud of their generosity!



Thumbs Up for BSS!

We collected over \$500 in donations for this Tuesday's out-of-uniform day! This money will go directly to families in need this Christmas!

We love to see such an outpouring of Christmas spirit and Christian kindness from our students!



Celebrate Success

ACADEMIC ACHEIVEMENT - FIRST TRIMESTER

4th Grade

Charles Adair
Wyatt Arlinghaus
Olivia Arnzen
Tobiah Bement
Maxwell Brown
Mason Brown
Drew Buckner
Georgiana Carran
Mack Conkin
Della Crossen
Thomas Dardugno
Jane Dardugno
Caroline Dusing
Piper Edwards
Adam Eling
Eva Frambes
Elsa Franxman
Penn Gray
Tatum Griffin
Vivian Grimes
Holton Harmeling
Zach Heck
Wyatt Hudepohl
Austin Ingram
Nollie Kirkwood-Mullikin
Elizabeth Kleman
Harper McKinley
Lily Moening
Maria Nerswick
John O'Connor
Allyson Ries
Mia Riordan
Kate Robke

Evan Smiser
Sadie Steltenkamp
Jackson Sullivan
Evan Walters
Tupelo Warman
Jacob Warren
Anna Wetzel
Cash Wiehe
Avery Witte
Lydia Woodring

5th Grade

Arden Berry
Thomas Brock
Madelynn Brown
Beckam Browning
Megan Cafera
Cassian Carran
Jack Colvin
Brady Cox
Oliver Dalton
Maggy Daniels
Iris Deters
William Farrell
Carson Grainger
Austin Hanser
Connor Jasinski
Adelyn Jehn
Andrew Kruger
Margaret Lamb
Samantha Lawrence
Boe Lee
Charlie Petzelt
Mia Rinaldi

Josh Robke
Jack Roth
Cate Scheuerle
Margaret Schneeman
Addelyn Schultz
Zachary Steltenkamp
Joe Tabor
Josie Unkraut
Charlotte Verst
Colin White
Connor Wiest
Sophia Woods
Logan Wuest
Cash Zimmer

6th Grade

Ava Arnzen
Adam Black
Aidan Carbon
Thomas Colvin
Liam Crossen
Sydney Earle
Sawyer Franxman
Samuel Gieske
Ava Gruelle
Frances Maier
Kate Moening
Olivia Riordan
Bennett Rohmiller
Erin Scheuerle
GiGi Stacy
Samuel Stout
Andreas Ursic
Henry Wahoff

James Weber
Caroline Weis

7th Grade

Alexis Abdrabbo
Finnigan Carran
Ryan Cox
Brady Dalton
John Dusing
Jackson Eilers
Ella Epplen
Megan Johns
Makayla Kleman
Benjamin Kunkler
Ruth Maier
Lucy Middendorf
Paisha Parks
Avery Pope
Grace Powers
Kylie Richardson
Jack Riddell
Charlie Robke
Kaylee Ryan
Julia Stegman
Dominic Stegman
Sophia Zerhusen

8th Grade

Samuel Brown
Lucy Colvin
Molly Daniels
Lily Deters
Audrey Dyas
Anthony Epplen

Patrick Ernst
Thomas Ernst
Elliot Flick
Lila Harris
Tyler Heck
Joelle Hentz
Olivia Hetzer
Lucie Kiely
Anna Lange
Jack Lange
Justine Lashua
Ellie Leen
Kaylin Lovell
James McKeown
Ella Petzelt
Jack Pfeiffer
Riley Pope
Peyton Quinn
Grace Reynolds
Joseph Rice
Madelyn Ries
Madyson Ross
Jane Schuh
Sydney Sheely
Lucas Tabor
Lila Timmerding
Clemente Volk
Lucas Volk
Gabe Weis
Max Wischer
Kenna Zimmer

Celebrate Success

STAYING ON TRACK - FIRST TRIMESTER

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Carson Grainger
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Connor Jasinski
Reese Ketterer
Andrew Kruger
Margaret Lamb
Samantha Lawrence
Boe Lee
Chloe Marksberry
Michael Masters

Jonathan Miller
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Ben Rice
Josh Robke
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Harper French
Cooper Gastright
Samuel Gieske
Emma Gruelle
Ava Gruelle
Bella Haacke
Abbey Heyob
Caitlin Houston

Chloe Ingram
Wade Koester
Frances Maier
Kate Moening
John Nerswick
Sandra Oliver
Caroline Rice
Olivia Riordan
Bennett Rohmiller
Erin Scheuerle
GiGi Stacy
Samuel Stout
Anna Timmerding
Andreas Ursic
Henry Wahoff
Tucker Wall
James Weber
Caroline Weis
Carson White

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Ryan Cox
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Gianna Dinkens
Killian Dooley
John Dusing
Ethan Eibel
Jackson Eilers
Ella Epplen
Michael Eubank
Charlie Frank
Braden Franxman
Addison Frondorf
Juliana Haacke
Megan Johns

Matthew Kennedy
Makayla Kleman
Benjamin Kunkler
Lucy Lenihan
Nevaeh Lucarelli
Ruth Maier
Lucy Middendorf
Emma Miller
Paisha Parks
Nate Pieper
Avery Pope
Grace Powers
Kylie Richardson
Jack Riddell
Charlie Robke
Kaylee Ryan
Chelsea Stanley
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Sydney Stieglmeyer
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Kali Wuest
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Kingston Harmeling
Lila Harris
Tyler Heck
Joelle Hentz
Olivia Hetzer
Ellie Heyob
Lucie Kiely
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Ellie Leen
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Madyson Ross
Jane Schuh
Sydney Sheely
Grant Stieglmeyer
Lucas Tabor
Lila Timmerding
Lucas Volk
Lucas Volk
Clemente Volk
Nicholas Wagner
Gabe Weis
Max Wischer
Kenna Zimmer
Korra Zimmer

Gift Certificates

BSS Parent Club Scrips Gift Card Fundraising

Gift Card fundraising is one of the best ways to earn money for our school.
Buy gift cards from your favorite brands to earn on your daily purchases.

How it works:

Raise money by purchasing gift cards at face value

Shop 750+ top brands and immediately earn up to 20% on every gift card that you buy. You can easily raise \$1000 or more every year!

Use gift cards at full value for your daily purchases

Earnings come from brands, not from your pocket, so gift cards are worth every penny that you pay for them. Raise money simply by doing everyday things – like grabbing your morning coffee or ordering dinner for your family.

How to get started

Scripps offers a variety of ways to shop!

- Complete the order form to order from most popular gift cards and participating local retailers. (Form can be found on bssky.org>School Forms>Gift Certificate Order Form). Send the completed form and payment through school (see instructions on the form) OR
- Create an account on the **RaiseRight app** using our organization enrollment code: **D37392FF1734**
 - o Use the app to place orders and have them delivered to school or directly to your home (for a small fee) or simply browse the full list of gift cards available and then use the form to order
 - o Order e-gift cards online and receive them in your email immediately if paying online

Please note: several popular gift cards are kept on hand and can be sent home the same week as ordered – gift cards not kept in-stock are ordered on select dates and will be delivered to you once they are received. Order dates will be listed in the school newsletter and church bulletin.

Did you know...

- We have Larosa's Buddy cards available for purchase on our square account!
- Kohl's gift cards ordered through Scrips can be used to pay your Kohl's charge at and register and the school makes 5% just for paying your bill with a gift card!
- Amazon gift cards are easy to link to your amazon account (as well as Starbucks, Target, and Biggby)
- E-gift cards can be saved to your in app "wallet" for easy access
- Gift cards make great teacher and coach gifts!
- You can purchase Visa or brand gift cards to do your Christmas shopping!

Gift cards currently kept in stock include: Visa, Target, TJ Maxx, Kohl's, Lowe's, Amazon, Chipotle, Dunkin Donuts, Panera, and Starbucks. (All other cards can be ordered)

Local gift cards kept in stock (that cannot be purchased through app): Behle Street by Sheli, Biggby, Greyhound, Kremer's Market, and Walt's Hitching Post.

Please submit all gift card orders by Wednesday December 8th to ensure arrival before Christmas break!

**PLEASE CLICK
TO ORDER!**

**GIFT
CARDS**

**BUDDY
CARDS**



This is a simple way to say, "Merry Christmas!" and to express our gratitude for the wonderful staff at BSS. The Parent Club traditionally coordinates the Simple Christmas Giving program, which supports **ALL** teachers, administration, specialists, and staff. Please note: this gift is separate from any classroom requests you may receive from your homeroom parents or grade level coordinators.

You can give to every staff member with a single donation! All BSS staff will receive a note expressing our thankfulness along with a prepaid gift card from our Gift Card/Certificate Program.

Please consider donating via the square link below, or alternatively, send a check made payable to "BSS Parent Club" to the school office by **Friday, December 10th**.

May God's many blessings surround you and your family during this holy season,

The BSS Parent Club Board

For questions, please contact:

parentsclub@bssky.org

Brigid Brown, Secretary 859-803-2227
Katie Miller, Co-Treasurer 859-816-5731



<https://bit.ly/3FDKRN2>



Suggested Family Donations: 1 child \$10, 2 children \$15, 3 or more children \$25

Family Name: _____

Amount of Donation: \$ _____

Children's Choir

I want to thank everyone for their support for our small but dedicated choirs! I have been cautious about opening up registration for choir with the previous rise in COVID cases, but with the Pfizer Vaccine becoming available to youth, I feel comfortable opening up registration again.

If your child would like to join our Children's Choir, please print and return a registration form.

REGISTRATION FORM

SCHEDULE

Finally, we are looking for extra singers to join the choir and help elevate the Christmas Holiday. We are asking for help at the 10PM Mass on Christmas Eve, and the 11AM Mass on Christmas Day.

Singers of all ages and abilities are welcome. The rehearsals for these masses will be on Wednesday December 15, and Wednesday December 22 at 7PM in the church. If you would like to participate in this short term commitment, please contact me at msspencer@bscky.org.

Peace in Christ and all good things,
Matt Spencer

From Mrs. Weber

**Please join us for the
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](#)

Help Wanted

BSS IS IN NEED OF A PARENT VOLUNTEER TO DESIGN THIS YEAR'S SCHOOL YEARBOOK.

*Responsibilities include designing the layout and interior of the book ONLY.
Photos will be collected throughout the year
and Parents Club will handle yearbook sales and promotions.*

*If you're interested in volunteering,
please contact Cassie Kathman at ParentsClub@bssky.org*

DO YOU, OR DOES SOMEONE YOU KNOW, OWN AN INFLATABLE COMPANY?

*Mr. Taylor is looking for large, obstacle-course style inflatables
for use in our gym! If you have any information that would be helpful,
please contact Mr. Taylor at PTaylor@bssky.org.*

Celebrate the Blue

BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL  AN EVENING TO TREASURE

Save the Date

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2022 • 6:00 PM - MIDNIGHT • MARRIOTT CINCINNATI AIRPORT
<https://www.facebook.com/2022E2T>

FORMAL INVITATIONS AND EVENT DETAILS ARE COMING SOON.

WATCH FOR EMAILS, INFORMATION IN THE NEWSLETTER,
AND SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS.

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS AMAZING EVENT!



BRING A GIFT
CARD FOR
EVENING TO
TREASURE AND
RECEIVE 20% OFF
YOUR PURCHASE!

SIP, SHOP, & SOCIALIZE!

At Leeta Ruth Boutique!
Thursday, December 16th,
6:30-9pm
325 Elm St, Ludlow, KY 41016



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.

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