

BSS NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, December 18, 2019



WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Thursday: 19 11:30-12:15: Christmas Concert (K-4) 3-4: Strings Program
12:30-1:15: Christmas Concert (5-8)
2:45-3:45: Student Council Board Meeting
2:45-3:45: Jr. High Quick Recall Practice

Friday: 20 8:45-9:45: Mass K-4
1:30-2:25: K-4 Christmas Parties
1:45-2:25: 5-8 Christmas Parties

Monday: 23 Christmas Break

Tuesday: 24 Christmas Break

Wednesday: 25 Merry Christmas!

Thursday: 26 Christmas Break

Friday: 27 Christmas Break

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

Th Sliced Turkey and Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Applesauce, Dinner Roll, Milk

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

M Christmas Break

T Christmas Break

W Christmas Break

Th Christmas Break

F Christmas Break

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.

A Note From Your Administration

Merry Christmas, Parents!

We want to wish our parents, students, staff, and parishioners a holy, happy, safe, and relaxing Christmas season. Thank you for all of the contributions you have made to Blessed Sacrament during 2019. Without our supportive community behind us, we would not be able to achieve the goals that we have set for BSS. The learning experiences, curriculum optimizations, extracurricular opportunities, and community gatherings could not and would not happen without a great deal of commitment and support from all of our families.

We continue to focus on preparing our students' hearts for the reception of Jesus on Christmas Day. One way that we are keeping Jesus as the focus of the season is through our Christmas performance taking place tomorrow; *Tis a Gift to be Simple*. Mrs. Weber, accompanied by Mr. Spencer, has created a beautiful holiday show that is centered on Christ. If possible, please join us tomorrow for the shows (K - 4 at 11:30, 5 - 8 at 12:30 in church). We look forward to hearing our students raise their beautiful voices in our church.

We love looking back on the achievements of 2019 and look forward to what 2020 will bring. Every road has its bumps, but we are fortunate to be able to say that the good that took place in our community far outweighed any negatives. Thank you for continuing to promote Blessed Sacrament School in a positive manner and for your continuous support. Please help us share all that Blessed Sacrament has to offer with other families by spreading the word about our open house on January 26th.

Merry Christmas to all of you! Enjoy this time with your family. Happy Birthday, Jesus!

Mr. Steffen and Mrs. Geiman

Did you know that tuition alone does not cover the cost of educating our students?

Your support of the Blessed Sacrament Annual Giving Campaign helps us provide every child with the elements they need to succeed.

The Blessed Sacrament Development Committee would like to thank everyone who has contributed to our Annual Giving Campaign this year. Many Blessed Sacrament families, along with other generous donors, have contributed **\$71,356.89** so far! That is almost two-thirds of our \$100,000 goal!

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Mr. Chris & Mrs. Mandy Zimmer

If you have not already contributed to the Annual Giving Campaign, please prayerfully consider making a donation. Any amount is appreciated, and the money collected greatly impacts our children's education.

**Donations collected through 12/18/19*

Thumbs Up!

The BSS Boosters have selected Riley Pope's design as the winning design for our first annual holiday invitational t-shirt design contest!! Congratulations to all whom entered. We had a great turnout with over 30 submissions, and it was very difficult to select just one entry. Riley's design will be printed on shirts for all champion teams in each division. Congratulations, Riley!



A big thumbs up to Becky Nielander for organizing the Santa Shop for the kids. Thank you also to Jennifer Abdrabbo, Tracy Alexander, Anne Arnsperger, Roseann Bechtold, Christina Rau, and everyone else who donated either items or their time to make Santa Shop the big success it was!



Thumbs Up!



One final thumbs up to 2nd grade for making their First Reconciliation!



Recyclables Needed

REDUCE-REUSE-RECYCLE

Our theme for Fine Arts Night this year, **One More Time**, focuses on using recycled materials to create awesome works of art. You can help the art room collect the needed supplies while also reducing the waste that goes into landfills. We are collecting:

- **CDs/DVDs**
- **STYROFOAM PEANUTS** (packing material)
- **CERAMIC or STONE TILES**, between 4" and 8", any color
- **KRAFT PAPER** (or other paper used for packing material)
- **STYROFOAM VEGGIE TRAYS** (Clean; please do not send meat trays, for obvious reasons)
- **STYROFOAM EGG CARTONS** (18 egg size)
- **CEREAL BOXES (Flattened)**

Cleaning out the craft cabinet? Odds and ends that you plan to discard are welcome. Making equipment changes at work? Other changes? Unused paper, cardboard sheets, fabric, paper cutters, etc. are welcome.

BSS Fine Arts Night is scheduled for May 14, 2020.
Artwork by each BSS student will be exhibited
and honors awarded. Save the date!

Info from NDA



NDA/CCH Theatre Alumni Return to the Stage

Former theatre students at Notre Dame Academy and Covington Catholic High School will return to the stage for the second annual NDA-CCH Theatre Alum Cabaret. This celebration of the performing arts, past and present, will take place at Notre Dame Academy's Frances K. Carlisle Performing Arts Center on Sunday, January 5. Doors will open at 1:30 p.m. with refreshments and beverages in Alumnae Hall. The variety show will feature performances from recent and not so recent alumni and performances from current theatre students.

If you are a graduate of either Notre Dame Academy or Covington Catholic and are interested in performing, please email Liz Voto at votol@ndapandas.org. Tickets prices are \$15/Adults and \$5/Students with a school ID. If you would like to purchase tickets for the show, you can do so online at www.ndapandas.org>>Arts>>2019-20 Season or the day of the show at the NDA Theater Box Office.

Attention all NDA Panda Basketball Alumnae

The coaching staff and the Panda basketball team would like to invite alumnae basketball players to join them as they take on the Cooper Jaguars on January 3, 2020. Meet the current team and catch up with former Panda alumnae. Join us to be recognized at halftime of the varsity game. A hospitality room will be available during the JV and Varsity games. JV starts at 4:30 and Varsity at 6. Please RSVP by December 28th to bbreeze2011@gmail.com.

Eighth Grade

It's time to start working on the EIGHTH GRADE SCRAPBOOK!

The original scrapbook will be auctioned off at Evening to Treasure in February and additional printed scrapbooks will be available for purchase at the end of the school year.

Please start collecting photographs for your child's individual page which the students will work on during school in January. Also, please print, label, and send any photographs from throughout your child's years at BSS to the office in an envelope marked "attn.: Annie Ernst". Any unused photographs will be returned to you.

Keep an eye out for more detailed information being emailed soon!

"It is a Gift to be Simple"

COME JOIN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
STUDENTS SHARING SONGS OF ADVENT AND
CHRISTMAS

December 19th

K-4 11:30-12:15

5-8 12:30-1:15

Dress Code: Nice Church/
X-mas Clothes or Uniform

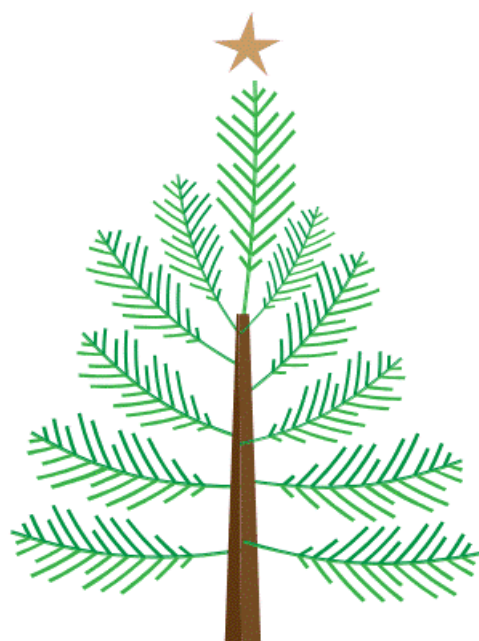
Collecting donations for The Rose Garden
Mission and Emergency Shelter of NKY.

Boxes will be in front of church for students
to place items upon entering church.

Needs: Mens & Womens Winter Hats, Gloves,
Socks, Sweats/Thermal Wear.

Hygiene Bag Items: Travel Size Shampoo,
Soap, Lotion, Deodorant, Toothpaste and
Toothbrushes, Disposable Razors, Feminine
Care Products

Monetary Donations are also accepted.



Gift Certificates

Looking for last minute Christmas gifts? Don't forget about our gift card program. Just click the image below to see the whole form.



GIFT CERTIFICATE ORDER FORM

Send completed form and payment (cash or check payable to BSS PARENT CLUB) to the office in an envelope marked "Gift Cards". Orders will be filled as quickly as possible, but please allow an extra week for cards that are out of stock.
Questions? Email us at certificates@bssky.org

ORDER TOTAL: # cards _____ \$ value _____
Order date: _____ Payment: _____ Filled By: _____
Name: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____
To be sent home with: _____

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\$ _____ \$ _____
To: _____ To: _____
From: _____ From: _____

Pre-Paid Universal Cards	QTY	Total
Discover pre-paid card \$50 \$100 \$250		\$
Visa pre-paid card \$50 \$100 \$250		\$

Department Stores	QTY	Total
BedBathBeyond/ChristmasTreeShop \$25 \$100		\$
Burlington Coat Factory \$25		\$
Dillard's \$25 \$100		\$
JCPenney \$25 \$100		\$
Kohl's <i>*may be used as change payment</i> \$25 \$100		\$
Macy's \$25 \$100		\$
Mellor \$25 \$50 \$100		\$
Nordstrom/Nordstrom Rack \$25 \$100		\$
Target \$25 \$50 \$100		\$
T.J. Maxx/Marshall's/HomeGoods \$25 \$100		\$
Walmart-Sam's Club \$25 \$100 \$250		\$

Sports, Home Improvement, Electronics	QTY	Total
Bass Pro Shops & Cabela's \$25 \$100		\$
Dick's Sporting Goods/Field & Stream \$25 \$100		\$
REI \$25		\$
Ace Hardware \$25 \$100		\$
Home Depot \$25 \$100 \$500		\$
Lowe's \$25 \$100 \$500		\$
Menards \$25 \$100 \$600		\$
BestBuy/GeekSquad \$25 \$100 \$250		\$
GameStop/EB Games \$25		\$
Sony Playstation Store e-card \$20 \$50		\$

Happy Dining Card \$25		\$
(good at Cheesecake Factory; McCormick & Schmick's; Red Lobster; Cracker Barrel; Buffalo Wild Wings; P.F. Changs)		

Local Merchants	QTY	Total
Barleycorn's \$10 \$25		\$
Behle Street by Shell \$10 \$25		\$
Biggby Coffee \$5 \$10		\$
Greyhound Tavern \$10 \$25		\$
Kremer's Market \$20		\$
Skyline (limited locations) \$5		\$
Walt's Hitching Post \$25 \$50 \$75		\$

Grocery	QTY	Total
GFS Marketplace \$25 \$100		\$
Honey Baked Ham \$25		\$
Omaha Steaks \$25		\$

Gas & UBER	QTY	Total
UBER-UBERests (\$5 increments \$20-\$100)		\$
BP Gas Stations \$50 \$100 \$250		\$
Circle K \$25 \$100		\$
Exxon/Mobil \$50 \$250		\$
Marathon \$25 \$100 \$250		\$
Pilot Flying J \$100		\$
Shell \$25 \$50 \$100		\$
Speedway \$25 \$50 \$100		\$

Entertainment	QTY	Total
AMC Theatres \$25 \$50		\$
Rave Theatres \$25		\$
Regal Theatres (Wilder) \$25		\$
Fandango \$25		\$
Chuck E. Cheese \$10		\$
Dave & Buster's \$25		\$

NEW YEAR'S EVE FAMILY FUN!

December 31st, 8 p.m.—1 a.m.

\$10/person or \$30/family

Beer, Wine, Liquor, Sodas

Appetizers and Snacks

Activities throughout the campus!

Reservation: <https://blessedsacrament2020nye.square.site>



*Save the
Date!*

Happy New Year

Community Events

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BSS Spirit Nights 2019-2020

Wednesday September 18th Chick-fil-A Ft Wright 4-9 PM

Monday October 21st Chipotle Crescent Springs 4-8 PM

Tuesday November 12th Texas Roadhouse Ft. Wright 3-10 PM

Wednesday December 4th Marco's Pizza Crescent Springs 11 AM-10PM

Wednesday January 15th Guthrie's Ft Wright 4-9 PM

Thursday February 27th City Bird Tenders Crestview Hills 3-8 PM

Thursday March 5th Buffalo Wings & Rings Crestview Hills 5-9 PM

Wednesday April 1st Cicci's Pizza Florence 4-8 PM

Wednesday May 6th Raising Cane's Florence 3-9 PM



PLAN A FAMILY OUTING

Treat yourself and your family to an afternoon at the Museum. An art exhibition featuring Hudson River School landscapes is currently open at the Taft Museum (October 5 – January 12.) **The exhibit is a great curriculum connection for BSS students who are introduced to American landscape painting in the 4th and 5th grades, particularly to the work of Albert Bierstadt, one of the artists featured in the exhibit.**



The paintings in this exhibition reveal the natural wonders that sparked the first artistic movement in the United States.

Decades of "I do"

Centennial Marriage Celebration

Blessed Sacrament Church has been the site for many weddings over the last 100 years.

1 year, 50 years, or more? Grab your sweetheart and join us on Valentine's Day as we celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage with Mass, marriage blessing, and a wedding reception, complete with heavy hors d'oeuvres, drinks, dancing and a champagne toast in the Undercroft

Friday, February 14, 2020 - 6:30 p.m.

\$20/person

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To register, clip and complete below and submit to church office along with cash or check (payable to Blessed Sacrament Church with "Valentine's Day" in memo)

First Name/s _____
Last Name _____
Phone Number _____
Email Address _____
Wedding Date _____
Parish Married / City & State _____
"First Dance" song at your wedding _____

You can also register online at:

<https://centennial-marriage-celebration.eventbrite.com>

Centennial Fun Fact

Father Streck served as superintendent of schools for the diocese during much of his pastorate at Blessed Sacrament Church.

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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