



Saint Agnes Newsletter

Family Newsletter
January 24, 2024

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It's that time of year when we embrace Catholic Schools' Week by planning a fun week of activities for our students. For those of you who support us with your time, treasure, and prayers, we are deeply indebted with gratitude for your passion for Catholic schools. If our students end the week with lots of fun memories, we call that a success! We are inviting all our school families to stop by on Tuesday evening to see the classrooms - we hope you can join us!

~Erin Redleski

SCHOOL NEWS

Registration for 2024-25: Last week we sent home re-registration forms for our current students. All current students must register to return to Saint Agnes next school year. Please return the form by 2/9. If you have any questions, contact the school office. Thank you!

Vacation Bible School: Save the date! VBS will be held the week of June 3-7 from 9am-12pm for all incoming K-5th graders. Registration will be available in the spring.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

January

- 25 Spiritwear Day
- 25 Grade 8 Family Night ~ Minute to Win It!
- 26 Donuts with Dads/Dudes: Grades 6-8
- 28-Feb. 2 Catholic Schools Week (schedule on page 2)
- 30 Open House at St. Agnes (6-7:30 p.m.)
- 31 NET Ministries Retreat for Gr. 7-8 (at school)

February

- 2 School Mass (8 a.m., change from normal time)
- 2 8th gr./Teacher volleyball game (9:30 a.m., gym)
- 2 Early Dismissal (11 a.m.)
- 5 Skyline night fundraiser (3-9, Ft. Wright location)
- 6 Grade 6 Family Night ~Bowling
- 7 Big Blue Bash Planning Meeting (7:00 p.m.)
- 9 Family Group Day (wear family group shirts)
- 13 Valentine's Day classroom parties
(gr. K-4, 1:45-2:30 p.m.)
- 14 Ash Wednesday
- 19 NO SCHOOL - Presidents' Day
- 22 Trimester 3 begins
- 27 Big Blue Bash Planning Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

Catholic Schools Week: Next week begins our week-long celebration of Catholic Schools Week 2024. The week is filled with many fun-filled activities:

Monday 1/29: School-wide BINGO

A candy cart will visit classrooms for students to pick a sweet treat

Spiritwear day (spiritwear shirt with gym/uniform bottoms)

Tuesday 1/30: Teacher trivia for students

Dress Up Day (Dress in your future career/vocation aspiration)

School-wide Open House 6-7:30 PM -stop by to see your child's classroom!

Wednesday: Ice cream Sundae Bar for students

Move it Wednesday - at random times in the school day, music will play so students can dance

Spiritwear day (spiritwear shirt with gym/uniform bottoms)

Thursday 2/1: Inflatables - all classes will get a chance for fun on the inflatables in the gym/cafeteria

Students MUST PACK A LUNCH (drinks will be provided) - the cafeteria will not serve food

Spiritwear day (spiritwear shirt with gym/uniform bottoms)

Friday 2/2: Mass at 8:00 AM

8th grade students vs teachers volleyball game at 9:30 AM

Dismissal at 11 AM

Students may wear ANY Catholic School spirit wear shirt with gym/uniform bottoms

During the week we will be in need of many volunteers to help with the inflatables and our ice cream social. We are looking forward to Catholic Schools Week 2024. Click the link below to help out: [Inflatables Volunteer Sign Up](#)

Donuts with Dudes (dads or any male role model) - Just a reminder that this event for 6th, 7th and 8th grade families is this Friday, January 26th at 8:30 Mass. Only students in grades 6, 7 and 8 can arrive directly at church with their guest. There will be a reception afterwards. (Students in grades K-5 have to arrive at school at the normal 7:45 start time.)

Library Volunteers: Dates have been added to the sign up through the end of the year. If you would like to help students check out books in the library, you can sign up for a timeslot [here](#).

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GREAT THINGS HAPPENING AT SAINT AGNES SCHOOL:

Academic Team



Congratulations to our academic team who competed two weeks ago at the District Governor's Cup Competition. They placed 1st overall and 2nd in quick recall. A special shoutout to those who placed individually in written assessments: Leo T., Maevy M., Caden S., Jude T., Caroline B., Ethan N., Austin R., Cooper L., Carter E. and Ethan M. The team is heading to Regionals in February!

Father Daughter Dance



The Father Daughter Dance was a huge success and they lit up the night with their glow dance party. About 250 students attended - we'd like to thank the committee for their hard work and planning. It was a huge hit!

Basketball

Congratulations to the 6th Grade Girls Basketball Team who won the St. Henry Lady Crusader Invitational last weekend! We are proud of the team and their basketball skills: Addi R., Amelia F., Cailin C., Charlie G., Elaina L., Claire M., Addi F., Lorelai M., Kendall D. and Emily S.

Congratulations to the 5th grade girls who also won their division of the St Henry Lady Crusaders Basketball Tournament. Lots of points were scored by this great group: Ava B., Avery M., Blake K., Evie H., Grace B., Harper L., Julianna L., Mallory H., Quinn R., Reva R. and Ruby W.

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Tuition discount: Did you know you can work Reds games, Bengals games and concerts (Foo Fighters, Luke Combs, Green Day all coming up) and get money towards your tuition at any diocese school, including high school?

It is a great way to knock off some tuition costs and we are looking for more volunteers. There is no minimum -work as much as you want and other family members can do it to help you too! Signs up are starting now for Spring. Contact Josh Wallace for information poststthomas@gmail.com

Virtue = Strength: January's theme is [Prudence](#) with a focus to "think before you act."

PTO NEWS

Big Blue and BLING! on Friday, March 22, 2024 | Newport Car Barn

Updates - The CASH, CASH, CASH Grand Prize Raffle is underway! Sell (and buy!) tickets for \$10 each for chances to win \$5000. Winners will be drawn at the Big Blue Bash (need not be present to win). Families who have sold 10 or more tickets will be noted in upcoming newsletters.

Also, if you have a local connection, we're looking for all types of fun things for the silent auction - tickets, gift cards, books, wine, bourbon - anything YOU might want to win, someone else will want as well. Not to mention a vacation rental, AirBnB, private suites, Bengals tickets, Reds, FC Cincinnati, concerts??

And all of those items go in baskets, so we'll take those as well! Any baskets or fun crates/bins you have taking up space we will take off your hands! Just drop them at the school or email SaintAgnesSchoolPTO@gmail.com and we'll get them from you.

Want to be more hands on? Email us to see how you can help (committee meeting attendance not required!) and all hours go toward your Family Service hours! For more information, click [here](#) or follow us at <https://www.facebook.com/saintagnesbigbluebash>.

APPLE Program: Looking for an easy way to show our faculty/staff that they are appreciated? Check out our APPLE program... The APPLE Program has been in place since 1999 and has returned again this school year! For those of you unfamiliar with this program, APPLE stands for Appreciative Parents Providing Little Extras. It is a volunteer program where parents sign up to provide treats for our teachers once a week. It is great for those parents who would like to help out with volunteer activities but are unable to sign up for committees due to time constraints. Please see [the link to sign up!](#)

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BOOSTERS NEWS

Saint Agnes Baseball/Softball: For 2024, St. Agnes will offer Instructional & Kid-Pitch baseball for all ages from boys and girls entering Kindergarten in 2024 to the 5th grade. If there is enough interest, we hope to sponsor girl's softball this spring as well. Outdoor practice begins around March 15 with the season ending around June 20. Register online NOW at: <http://tshq.bluesombrero.com/saintagnesboosters>. The deadline is January 31st. If you have any questions before registering, please contact Ryan Kuhlman 513-415-9977 / ryandavidkuhlman@gmail.com.

Boys Volleyball Registration (Grade 3-8) is now available through January 31! Previous volleyball experience is not required. Please contact Allison Fullenkamp or Meghan Lindloff with questions (stagnesvball@gmail.com). Signup to play and/or coach at <https://tshq.bluesombrero.com/saintagnesboosters>.

Boys Volleyball Director Needed: We are in need of a boys volleyball director for the upcoming season. The season is typically 4-6 weeks and finished by Spring Break. Please contact Allison Fullenkamp or Meghan Lindloff (stagnesvball@gmail.com) with questions or more detail.

COMMUNITY NEWS

SIGN UP TODAY FOR NDA'S 2024 MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD TEAM: Notre Dame Academy is excited to announce that Joe Durrett will be coaching our 2024 Middle School Track and Field Team! Coach Durrett is in his 2nd season with our Cross Country team in which the team has seen phenomenal growth. They placed 7th this year at the KHSAA State Girls Cross Country Race. We look forward to his leadership with our Middle School Track and Field Program. Go Pandas! If you are interested in signing up for NDA's 2024 Middle School Track and Field Team, you can click [here](#) or scan QR code:



CONNECT Junior High Retreat: A dynamic team of college students is presenting "Arise," a Junior High Retreat Day on Feb. 10, 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., at Thomas More University (TMU). The day is open to all sixth, seventh, and eighth-grade students. The day includes opportunities to connect with the diocesan church, make new friends, and connect with God in a fun environment that includes activities and games, witness talks, scripture focus, praise and worship music, Eucharistic Adoration, and prayer. Registration Deadline: Feb. 1. Cost: \$20.

Information and Registration details:

1. **Complete the registration** (Google document) located at covidio.org/youth
2. **Print and complete permission form** located at covidio.org/youth and turn completed form and fee into Mrs. Finke
3. **Students who need to leave early or will be coming late** will need a parent letter. Please send this in with permission form. Anita Dunn and Debbie Finke will be group leaders for St. Agnes. Email Mrs. Finke (dfinke@saintagnes.com) with any questions.

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