



## Saint Agnes Newsletter

Family Newsletter  
January 31, 2024

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Will the groundhog see his shadow on Friday? Will we have 6 more weeks of winter? (I secretly hope not—but I know many of our teachers and students are still hoping for more snow days!) Groundhog Day may seem silly to some, but Punxsutawney Phil might be as skilled as some of the best TV weather forecasters. Maybe some of our science classes can add some insight?! In the meantime, take a peek at next month to check out what's happening at Saint Agnes School.

~Erin Redleski

### SCHOOL NEWS

**Mass time change for Feb. 2** = Mass will be at 8 a.m.

**Registration for 2024-25:** Please return registration forms to the school office by February 9. All current students must re-register for next school year.

**Talent Showcase:** Calling all Talents! Saint Agnes' Talent Showcase will be on March 20th from 6-8:30pm. If you are interested in performing in the talent show, please see the [attached flyer here](#). Auditions are due by Feb 16th.

### SCHOOL CALENDAR

#### 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
- 16 Fish Fry (5-8 p.m., Murphy Hall)
- 19 NO SCHOOL - Presidents' Day
- 22 Trimester 3 begins
- 22 Children's Theater Field Trip (Gr. 2-3)
- 23 Children's Theater Field Trip (Kindergarten-1st)
- 27 Big Blue Bash Planning Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

#### March

- 1 Family Group Day (wear family group shirts)
- 4 Skyline night fundraiser (3-9, Ft. Wright location)
- 8 NO SCHOOL - Teacher In-Service Day

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**Catholic Schools Week:** The fun continues for Catholic Schools Week 2024. Don't forget to pack your child's lunch tomorrow.

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 in the gym - 8th gr. parents are invited!  
**Dismissal at 11 AM**  
 Students may wear ANY Catholic School spirit wear shirt with gym/uniform bottoms

**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](#). *(Scroll down to find your child's homeroom if you want to volunteer during their library time.)*

**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](mailto:poststthomas@gmail.com)

**Cold Weather Reminders:** The forecast for the next week might look good, but please remember that it is still winter and the students will go outside for recess. Jackets, hats and gloves are needed to keep them warm.

**Family Service Hours:** Just a friendly reminder to log your service hours in Sycamore. We ask that each family contribute 20 hours of service throughout the school year. You can download the Sycamore app - we are told it is very easy to log them this way! [Video instructions](#)

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

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## GREAT THINGS HAPPENING AT SAINT AGNES SCHOOL:

### Donuts with Dudes/Dads/Male Role Models:



Our 6th, 7th and 8th graders hosted an event last week for their dads or other male role models. Recognizing how their heroes model St. Joseph to reflect God's love, they celebrated Mass and then treated them to donuts, a special song and letters written by the students. What a fantastic turnout!

### Aspire to Go Higher



So many students dressed up on Tuesday for their future careers/vocations. We can't wait to see what the future holds for our students! Who knows - we might have the next Taylor Swift?!

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## PTO NEWS

**Skyline Eat Out Night:** The Skyline Benefit Night will be next Monday, February 5th, from 3-9 p.m. at the Ft. Wright Skyline location. Please mark this on your calendar and share with your family and friends. 15% of the night's sales will be donated back to our school. You can dine in, carry out or use the drive through, just make sure to say you are with St. Agnes grade school so we get credit for the sale. This fundraiser supports our school and a local business! We hope to see you there!

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

Preparations are in full swing for the 2024 Big Blue Bash! The next meeting is Wednesday, February 7 at 7pm. You'll find us in the St. Agnes Library, come join us!

**Silent Auction** - We are collecting items for the silent auction - tickets, gift cards, books, wine, bourbon - anything YOU might want to win, someone else will want as well. Vacation homes, AirBnBs, private sports suites, Bengals tickets, Reds, FC Cincinnati, concerts??

**Baskets** - And we'll take your baskets as well! Any containers, baskets, crates/bins you have taking up space we will take off your hands! Just drop them at the school or email [SaintAgnesSchoolPTO@gmail.com](mailto:SaintAgnesSchoolPTO@gmail.com) and we'll get them from you.

**Sponsorship** - Sponsorship information went out this week! If you own a business or have a connection to a local owner, we'd love to promote it to our supporters! From social media promotion to onsite signage we are looking for all levels of sponsorship! Click [here](#) for more details!

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

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

**LAST CALL for Saint Agnes Baseball/Softball:** Registration deadline is tomorrow: February 1! 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>. If you have any questions before registering, please contact Ryan Kuhlman 513-415-9977 / [ryandavidkuhlman@gmail.com](mailto:ryandavidkuhlman@gmail.com).

**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](mailto:stagnesvball@gmail.com)) with questions or more detail.

## PARISH NEWS

**Fish Fries:** Saint Agnes will host 5 Fish Fries during Lent. Join us every Friday February 16 through March 15 in Murphy Hall. The Fish Fries are a great community event with delicious food. Food will be served from 5:00 – 8:00 pm. Mark your calendars and spread the word. Bring family and friends, all are welcome!

The Fish Fries are not possible without amazing volunteers like our parishioners. We need your help to be successful. A few hours will make a big difference. Visit the following link to sign up.  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094BA5AA2BA3F85-47274875-fish>

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Preschool:** Julie Learning Center, Park Hills KY, is now enrolling for the 2024/25 school year. Parents and children ages 3 ½ to 5 are welcome to attend one of our Open House events on February 15 at 11am or 6pm. A ministry of the Sisters of Notre Dame, JLC provides exceptional experiences in preschool learning based on gospel values and incorporating the Reggio philosophy of early childhood education. For more information, visit [www.julielearningcenter.com](http://www.julielearningcenter.com) or [julielearningcenterofficial.com](http://julielearningcenterofficial.com). You may also contact the director at 859-392-8231.

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