

September 4, 2026

WILDCAT WEEKLY

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception School: Building disciples of Jesus Christ through quality Catholic education

Message From Mr. Brown

Hello Wildcats!

Well, we made it! Week 1 is in the books...well, almost!

I had a brief conversation with a parishioner this morning. He asked how I was doing, and I gave a response many of us have probably used before: "I'm living the dream!"

He looked me right in the eye and replied, "You really are—whether you believe it or not!"

What started as a simple, almost automatic response turned into a pretty impactful conversation. He was right. I am living the dream.

I have the privilege of being the principal of the best school in the Valley, and I don't use those words lightly. This school is an incredible place. We have an amazing staff filled with people who genuinely love our students and strive every day to give them their very best. Our first week of school has been awesome, and that is a direct reflection of the professional, caring, and dedicated people we have here. I am incredibly proud to say that I am their principal.

When you add Father Mark, our wonderful families, and the support of our parish community, you have something truly special—a place that many people would dream of being a part of.

So, yes, I guess I really am living the dream.

Thank you for trusting us with your children and for being such an important part of our Wildcat family. It's been a great first week, and I can't wait to see what this school year has in store for us!

Go Wildcats!

Mr. Brown

Save The Date

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| • Mike McCoy – Ret. Packer | Sept 8 | Morning |
| • School Board Meeting | Sept 8 | 6:15 pm |
| • Volleyball At Xavier MS | Sept 8 | 5,6,7 pm |
| • Cross Country at Memorial Park (Appleton) | Sept 9 | 4:30 pm |
| • PTO Meeting | Sept 14 | 6:00 pm |
| • Color Run | Sept 25 | 1 – 2:45 pm |

Joke of the Day!



Did You Know?



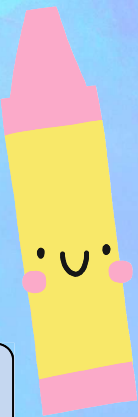
Check the [school website](#) for answers to many of your questions



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Clarification – We have had a few questions about microwave use at lunch.

The microwaves can be used by the middle school (Grades 6–8) during lunch. This was an agreement in place when the PTO donated the microwaves to the school.

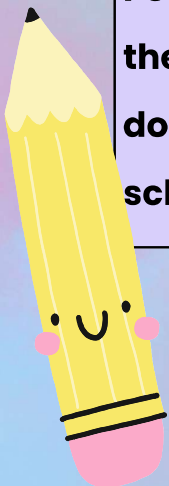
When we get to quarter 4, I will let the grade 5 student use the microwaves as they transition to middle school students.

SCHOOL YARD SIGNS

Thank you to everyone that shared a yard sign for our school in May! It is time to retire our signs and get ready for a new school year. If anyone still has a sign in their yard, please remove it at this time. We will be sharing fresh signs in spring when the ground will allow us to get them in the ground.



**Thank you to Saints
Peter and Paul for
their art supply
donation to our
school**



Find Your Athletic Forms Here

Fall sports will be starting soon!

If your student is participating in Cross Country or Volleyball, the following items must be turned in before they can participate. (All forms can be found on the school website.)

- Signed Athletic Code
- Signed Concussion Information Form
- Athletic Physical or Alternate Year Card

Clickable sites of Interest

[St. Mary Parents](#)

[Spirit Wear](#)

[School Facebook](#)

[2026–27 School
Calendar](#)

[School Website](#)

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Meet our 3k Teacher Ms. Sakubu



Name: Catherine Sakubu Birthday: March 4

DRINKS & TREATS

- Favorite Drink: The Mountain Valley Spring water in Glass bottle
- Coffee / Tea Order: Black or Caravan milk latte (or organic chocolate)
- Sweet Snack: His Chocolate Bars
- Salty Snack: (organic) salted chips popcorn
- Food Allergies: Gluten, legumes, minimal dairy is ok

PERSONAL PICKS

- Color: Blue or Orange
- Scent: Citrus or Spice I react to artificial scents and mostly use essential oils
- Flower: Rose, Daisy
- Book / Genre: Fantasy Action/Detective Genre (ex: Harry Potter, James Potter, etc.) Fiction/Fantasy (ex: Wings of Fire, dystopian, Hunger Games, Divergent)

THIS OR THAT

- Coffee ☒ Tea ☐
- Sweet ☐ Savory ☒
- Online Shopping ☒ In-Store ☐
- Books ☒ TV Shows ☐
- Chocolate ☒ Vanilla ☐
- Stay In ☒ Go Out ☐

Wish list for MY CLASSROOM

- Dress Up Explorer, Fire Fighter, Construction
- Hand 2 Mind Calming Sounds and Sensory bottles
- Camping Playset/campfire
- Doll Clothes
- Magnet Tiles
- Bubbles

SHOPPING & GIFT IDEAS

- Restaurant: Usorio's Happy Bellies
- Store: The Free Market Hobby Lobby
- Gift Cards: Amazon
- Online Shop: Natural Life Etsy Amazon

THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO SHARE!

CHRISTMAS STARS

Christmas Stars, a holiday-themed musical revue will hold auditions for **Children** in grades K-5 on **Saturday, September 12** from 9:00-11:00 at the Xavier Fine Arts Theatre, 1600 W. Prospect Avenue, Appleton. Rehearsals are held at Xavier High School on Sunday nights beginning at September 20. Auditions are by appointment. Those interested in auditioning may find more information as well as audition and registration materials on the show website: www.christmasstars.org. Please contact Sue Hahn sfhahn@sbcglobal.net if you have any questions.

Mike McCoy (Former Green Bay Packer) will be here on September 8th to speak to our students. He will speak to two different groups on Tuesday and we will start after mass.

- Grade 3-5 will assemble in the cafeteria right after mass. Presentation is about 35 minutes (Approximately 8:45 – 9:20am)
- Grade 6-8 will follow at 9:30am. This presentation is 45 minutes to an hour long.

Mike McCoy is a native of Erie, Pennsylvania and a graduate of Cathedral Prep High School. He graduated from the University of Notre Dame with a BA in Economics where he played football and was a Consensus All-American. He was chosen UPI Lineman of the year and was sixth in the Heisman Trophy balloting his senior year. He was the #1 draft choice of the Green Bay Packers where he played defensive tackle. He played eleven years in the NFL – seven with Green Bay, two with the Oakland Raiders and two with the New York Giants. He was the #2 pick in the 1970 NFL Draft behind Terry Bradshaw who was selected #1.

Mike will be in town for the Notre Dame vs Wisconsin game on Sunday night and will join us for mass on Tuesday before his presentations.

Tuesday will be an out of dress code day if you wear Badger, Packers or Notre Dame Colors or clothing. Badgers = red and white, Notre Dame = Navy Blue and Gold and any Packer wear)



The background is a warm, autumnal scene with various shades of yellow, orange, and red. It features several large, detailed leaves, some acorns, and a single red apple in the bottom right corner. The text is centered within a white rectangular frame.

SAVE THE DATE!

Grandparent's Day
or
Someone Grand!!

NOV 20, 2026
10am Mass