



# St. Francis Wolf Post

September 11, 2023

## Announcements

### New School Year Kick Off Social

**September 15th, 6pm - 8pm.**

Pizza, ice cream and  
beverages will be provided.

All are invited!

<https://forms.gle/gHZ6beb8D7zjcZLU7>

**Medication Forms:** Reminder,  
if your child needs any  
medications given during the  
school day, please send in an  
**updated** Medication form for  
**this school year.**

**Attachments:** Please be sure  
to take a look at the different  
flyers and attachments for  
some fun information  
regarding hockey games, Fun  
Run, and misc.

### Volunteer Opportunity

We are looking for a volunteer  
to organize the Uniform Closet  
once a month. You can get  
non-auction Share Hours for  
this project. Please contact  
the front office if you are  
interested,

[kcruse@sfsherwood.org](mailto:kcruse@sfsherwood.org)

### Back to School Night September 21

5:30pm -5th-8th grade parents  
only- gym

6:30 pm Parish Hall - general  
meeting for all parents

7:00 pm K-4 classroom visits  
PARENTS ONLY

**Fall Fundraiser:** We will be  
selling corn to raise money  
for our tuition assistance  
program. 2 ears for \$1 -cash  
only. See flyer for more  
information.



## PSO Corner

Please see attached flyer for updates with our PSO. Please contact Erica Hass with any questions at [erica.hass@gmail.com](mailto:erica.hass@gmail.com).

## Facebook

We have created a Facebook page, it can be found under the name: **St. Francis Catholic School - Sherwood**. This for you to access updates and to give us a *LIKE*.

## Creating a Safe Environment (CASE) Training: Required for Volunteers

All volunteers must attend on CASE Training and have a Background Check before working with students. **If you plan on volunteering anytime during the 2023-2024 school year, please sign up for one of the following trainings offered below.** Please help us reach our goal of having all volunteers trained by the end of October! Contact the front office to sign up for one of the following dates:

Tuesday, September 12th, 6:00-7:15pm

Tuesday, September 26th, 6:00-7:15pm

Thursday, October 12th, 6:00-7:15pm

Thursday, October 26th, 6:00-7:15pm

**All trainings will be held in the eighth grade classroom.** Once completed, you will need to do the background check, which is good for three years.

**St. Francis 21st Auction and Gala: Save the date, March 2, 2024**, at Tualatin Country Club! See attached flyer.

## Auction Volunteers:

Looking to get involved in the 2024 St. Francis Gala & Auction? Please join us for our **Auction Volunteer Huddle on Sept. 27th at 6:30pm**. Contact Beth Sparks for Auction volunteer opportunities: [beth.sparks@ymail.com](mailto:beth.sparks@ymail.com)

# PSO CORNER

**Room Parents Needed:** We still need a few more room parents, one for Pre-K, one for 1st grad and one parent for 6th grade.. The room parents help coordinate our Halloween and Christmas classroom parties, and assist the teacher with any other fun events that they would like to hold throughout the year. The PSO will reimburse the expenses incurred for parties that the room parent holds. If you would like to volunteer as a room parent for your child's classroom, please email [erica.hass@gmail.com](mailto:erica.hass@gmail.com).

**You must be CASE trained and complete a background check in order to be a room parent.**

**Fundraising:** Want to help raise some funds for the PSO? Do you shop at Fred Meyer? Make sure you have St. Francis selected for the community rewards for your shopping profile. It's really easy to set up, go to your account, select the community rewards in the left menu bar, enter in 'St. Francis School'. Every time you shop at Fred Meyer, they will donate a portion of your bill to St. Francis. It's so easy!!

## Beginning of the School Year Events

### **New School Year Kickoff**

**Date/Time: Friday, September 15th from 6-8pm**

- Come and join us for some pizza, a visit with the ice cream truck and chance to socialize with the St. Francis community. This event is hosted by the PSO.

**Please RSVP by Monday, September 11th at the following link:**

<https://forms.gle/gHZ6beb8D7zjcZLU7>

## St. Francis Fun Run (formerly known as the Jog-A-Thon)

**Date/Time: Friday, October 6th**

- With the auction gala being moved to March this year, the decision was made to move the Fun Run to October, so that our two major fundraisers weren't a few weeks apart.
- We are going to be offering some really fun new prizes for the top 10 donation earners.
- Instead of the previous ask of \$100 donation per child, we're lowering the donation ask this time to \$50 per child for this transitional year.
- We are going to have a St. Francis Fun Run poster design contest. The winner of the contest will win a prize and have their posters displayed around the school.
- If you would like to sponsor the Fun Run please email [erica.hass@gmail.com](mailto:erica.hass@gmail.com).
- As we are **not** doing t-shirts this year, all Fun Run sponsors will be recognized in our Wolf Posts and on posters around the school. We appreciate our amazing sponsors!
- **If you weren't able to contribute to the Jog-A-Thon in May, now's your chance! Let's raise some money for our wonderful school!**



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CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL

# St. Francis Fall Fundraiser Super Sweet Yellow Corn

We will be selling Super Sweet Yellow Corn hand cut & donated by Mr. Delbert Haener (Mrs. Cordell's father) to help raise funds for our tuition assistance program.

Each dollar raised will be matched by the Weston Foundation. 25% of the students currently enrolled at St. Francis receive Tuition Assistance.

**2  
ears  
for \$1  
Cash Only**

Two opportunities:

- Sept. 15 New School Year Kickoff Social
- Sept. 21 Back to School Night





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21<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL GALA & AUCTION  
MARCH 2, 2024

# VOLUNTEER HUDDLE

SEPTEMBER 27, 2023  
6:30 P.M. ONLINE MEETING

Are you looking to learn more  
about ways to satisfy your  
required Auction volunteer hours?

Join us for the Volunteer Huddle  
to learn more.

EMAIL [BETH.SPARKS@YMAIL.COM](mailto:BETH.SPARKS@YMAIL.COM)  
TO RECEIVE A LINK TO THE ONLINE MEETING.



# HOCKEY NIGHT

AT BORCELLE  
SPORTING  
COMPLEX

RSVP now for our special group rate  
for CENTER ICE seats.

TICKETS  
**\$26** PER PERSON

PORTLAND WINTERHAWKS VS. PRINCE GEORGE  
'WHERE'S WALDO' NIGHT

SATURDAY,  
JANUARY 6, 2024  
6 P.M.

VETERAN'S  
MEMORIAL COLISEUM

To reserve seat, email [NicolemillerTSFL@gmail.com](mailto:NicolemillerTSFL@gmail.com)  
by September 22, 2023

\*In your email, include the number of seats you're reserving\*

SAVE THE DATE

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TUALATIN COUNTRY CLUB



# Parish News

Dear St. Francis Families,

Our Sunday Catechesis, Faith Formation, classes are all currently open for registration!

We offer free Sunday morning formation classes here at St. Francis from 9:15 AM to 10:15 AM for Kindergarten, Reconciliation (starting in the 1st grade), Communion (starting in the 2nd grade), 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th & Confirmation (7th and above) aged youth. Please consider registering soon, for your child's current grade level.

*As a reminder our Sacramental years (Reconciliation, Communion & Confirmation) will be closing for enrollment at the beginning of October. All other grade levels will remain open for enrollment.*

For our Adults, if you feel called to assist in teaching our faith on Sundays, please consider registering to be a Catechist! We also offer once a month Family of Faith, which meets each first Sunday of every month. This class is for any Adult, Parent or Family who wishes to come more deeply into our faith, as it is an open format to learn and understand the basis of what we believe. Come, strengthen your family, and bring the faith home. Our first, Family of Faith class of this year will be on October 1st.

For our Confirmed Youth ( 8th - 12th grade) we have a new Youth Ministry! This ministry will be held every Sunday from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM, starting in October. We look forward to growing in relationship with Jesus, in strengthening our faith community as a whole and understanding each other more this year. Together we can help to build God's Kingdom and choose to become His disciples of today & tomorrow!

If you have any questions or concerns regarding Sunday Faith Formation please reach out to our Faith Formation Coordinator, Alexis Mina or our Parish Office.

Here are our registration links:

[St. Francis Faith Formation Student Registration Form 2023-2024](#)

[St. Francis Catechist Registration Form 2023-2024](#)

[St. Francis Youth Ministry Registration Form 2023-2024](#)

Sincerely in Christ,

St. Francis Catholic Church & School




## Volunteer Opportunities

- Auction - Many options - committee or various jobs
- Lunch Room Monitor
- Recess Monitor - Morning (Elementary) or Lunch
- Classroom Help - Check with teacher
- Hot Lunch - Set-up or serving
- PSO Events - Back to School Social (September), Mother/Son Social (Winter), Father/Daughter Dance (Spring), Jog-a-Thon (Spring)
- Art Literacy - Each class
- Library - Library Days or End of School Clean-Up and Cataloging (June)
- CYO Sports - Coaching or Site Monitoring
- Field Trips - Check with teacher
- Room Parents - Each class
- 8th Grade Graduation Reception - June (After Graduation)
- Spring Campus Clean-Up - After most have passed (Spring)

**REMINDER:** You need to be **CASE Trained** and have a **current background check** to work with students.

Please contact Kristina Cruse at the front desk with any questions or if you would like to see if an opportunity is available. (503)625-0497 or [kcruse@sfsherwood.org](mailto:kcruse@sfsherwood.org).





## **Recycle Your Refundable Cans & Bottle at St. Francis**

Our Student Council members have been busy labeling dozens of blue recycle bags to continue this fundraising campaign! If you need additional bags, please have your child pick one up from their teacher or the office. You may drop off filled bags at your local Bottle Drop Facility or bring them to the school. No single bag should weigh more than 20 lbs. Only those bottles labeled for Oregon deposit are accepted. All proceeds generated from this fundraiser will go toward PSO funds. Thank you for your support!



# St. Francis Catholic School's 2023-2024 Calendar

## September


September 5 - 22 - Fall STAR Testing Window  
Tuesday, September 5 - First Day of School  
Thursday, September 7 - PSO Meeting @ 7:00pm  
Monday, September 11 - Catholic HS Visits (8th Grade only)  
Tuesday, September 12 - CASE Training @ 6:00pm  
Wednesday, September 13 - SAC Meeting @ 6:00pm  
Friday, September 15 - Camp Tilikum - 8th Grade  
Friday, September 15 - New School Year Kick Off Social  
Thursday, September 21 - Back to School Night  
Friday, September 22 - RSVP's Due for Winterhawks Game  
Monday, September 25 - School Picture Day!  
Tuesday, September 26 - CASE Training @ 6:00pm  
Wednesday, September 27 - Auction Volunteer Huddle @ 6:30pm

## October

Sunday, October 1 - School Mass @ 10:30am  
Friday, October 6 - Fun Run (Formerly Jog-a-Thon)  
Thursday, October 12 - CASE Training @ 6:00pm  
Friday, October 13 - No School, Curriculum In-service  
Monday, October 16 - Auction Kickoff Meeting @ 6:30pm  
Wednesday, October 18 - SAC Meeting @ 6:00pm  
Thursday, October 26 - CASE Training @ 6:00pm  
Tuesday, October 31 - Half Day, Noon Dismissal

## November

November 1 - 3 - No School, Parent-Teacher Conferences  
Friday, November 10 - No School, Veterans Day  
Wednesday, November 15 - SAC Meeting @ 6:00pm  
Wednesday, November 22 - Half Day, Noon Dismissal  
November 23 and 24 - No School, Thanksgiving





## **December**

December 4 - 15 - Winter STAR Testing

Thursday, December 14 - Christmas Program

December 18 - January 1 - Christmas Break

Wednesday, December 20 - SAC Meeting @ 6:00pm

## **January**

Tuesday, January 2 - Return to School

Saturday, January 6 - St. Francis Family Winterhawks Game

Friday, January 12 - Noon Dismissal, Archdiocese Inservice

Monday, January 15 - No School, MLK Observance

Wednesday, January 17 - SAC Meeting @ 6pm

Sunday, January 28 - School Mass @ 10:30am

January 28 - February 1 - Catholic Schools Week

## **February**

Friday, February 2 - No School, Faith Formation Inservice

Monday, February 19 - No School, President's Day

Tuesday, February 20 - No School, Curriculum Inservice

Wednesday, February 21 - SAC Meeting @ 6:00pm


## **March**

Saturday, March 2 - 21st Annual Gala and Auction

Friday, March 8 - Noon Dismissal, Professional Learning Committees

Wednesday, March 20 - SAC Meeting @ 6:00pm

March 25 - 29 - Spring Break







## **April**

Monday, April 1 - No School - Easter Monday

April 1 - 12 - Spring STAR Testing Window

Friday, April 12 - Noon Dismissal, Archdiocese Inservice

Wednesday, April 17 - SAC Meeting @ 6:00pm

## **May**

Friday, May 10 - Noon Dismissal, Progress Reports

Wednesday, May 15 - SAC Meeting @ 6:00pm

Thursday, May 16 - Spring Concert

Monday, May 27 - No School, Memorial Day

## **June**

Sunday, June 2 - School Mass @ 10:30am

Friday, June 14 - Last Day of School

Wednesday, June 19 - SAC Meeting @ 6:00pm

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