

January 25, 2023

NEWS FROM THE BEARS DEN

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From the Principal..

Winter has returned!! Please make sure your kiddos all come to school with appropriate winter attire. If they do not have boots and snow pants, they will not be allowed off the blacktop during recess.

This weekend kicks off our 2023 Catholic Schools Week-a list of events was emailed Monday and it is also attached with today's newsletter. Just a reminder that any student coming to any Mass this weekend in their uniform will get a color day pass from me. :) I will be speaking at the weekend Masses about our fabulous school, and there will also be snacks and fellowship after each Mass. I hope to see you around!

Just a reminder to please send in \$1 per child as soon as possible for our priest lunch on Wed. Any leftover money will go towards a Mass said in their honor.

There will be NO band/orchestra for our 5th & 6th grade students on Monday due to the pancake breakfast. 8th grade students will still go to band/orchestra.

The Booster club is selling pans of lasagna (see flyer) made by some of our Saint Basil families. Please consider supporting this fundraiser (besides, that's one night no one has to cook! :) The attached flyer has information and the link to order.

And last but not least, Saint Basil is once again participating in the CSW Day of Giving. This money goes directly to our scholarship fund and benefits families in need of financial assistance. I ask that you prayerfully consider donating. The link below will be open from noon on Tuesday, Jan. 31 to noon on Wednesday, Feb. 1. However, you are welcome to drop off a donation to the school for the scholarship fund at any time.

The link: CSW2023.givesmart.com

Thank you in advance for your generosity and support!

Camille DeLano

Saint Basil



Catholic School

EVENTS

Report Cards Sent
Home
1/25

Paid Color Day
1/27

CSW Week
1/29-2/3

Lasagna Take & Bake
1/31



PROTECT YOUNG EYES

Did you know that in just 5 minutes a day you can create digital trust, prepare, and protect your kids? Use our school's access code to download the Protect App for FREE! Our code is: raqk43. You can download this to your phone from the App Store or Google Play.

A FEW NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

Office staff availability during lunch: Due to office staff needed in other places to assist and monitor students during lunch, the office is closed from 11:20 until 12:10. If you need to pick up a student or drop off items, please arrive by 11:20.

VIRTUS TRAINING

If a parents would like to volunteer in the classroom, drive for field trips, or go on field trips, they must be VIRTUS trained and complete a background check. Please contact Mrs. Andrea and/or go to www.virtusonline.org.

CHECK OFF SHEET

Please fill out and return the check off sheet as soon as possible. If you have multiple students only one sheet needs to be filled out with all their names on it.

HEALTH APPRAISALS

Health appraisals are due for all Preschool, Kindergarten, 7th Graders, and New Students.

FINANCIAL AID

If you are interest in financial aid please fill out the form that is attached. You will also need to turn in a copy to the office of the previous year's IRS Tax form and current pay stubs.

AFTERCARE

An application for aftercare must be filled out before any child can attend. Forms can be dropped off in the office or emailed to Ms. Andrea.

REMINDERS!

- Please turn in sign off forms and other paperwork your child might be missing.

STUDENT COUNCIL BAKE SALE

Thank you families for supporting our school and helping us raise money! We were able to raise \$143. We appreciate all your help.

LUNCH MENU

Here is the lunch menu link for your reference. The lunch menu is updated every month on here.

<https://www.schoolnutritionandfitness.com/webmenus2/#/view?id=63a324e3e96f1e9cbeb8a38d&siteCode=6268>

READING BUDDIES

Mr. Dennison (our 4th grade teacher) is in the process of organizing a Reading Buddies program for some of our Saint Basil's students (1st-4th) and is looking for volunteers! Volunteers will be paired with an individual student to read a book together. No teaching or literacy experience required, just patience and a willingness to ask and answer questions, help decode tricky words, and talk about reading! The program will take place on Wednesday's mornings after Mass (10:00-11:00am) to start, with possible Friday morning slots starting later this month! Please reach out to Luke Dennison with any questions or to volunteer!

FAITH FORMATION

Saint Basil has a subscription to many online faith formation offerings through the Franciscan University. Since we have a subscription, this is also available FREE to our parents. If interested, please go to: <https://franciscanathome.com/>

From there, select the Diocese of Kalamazoo from the Partnering Diocese list at the top. Once on the D or K page, select the second blue box under "register online"-the box that says the school is already registered and that you'd like to create a free account. From there, create your account. After you create your account and log in, you'll be taken to a "dashboard" that shows various offerings. Feel free to explore all that is available!



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Join us for **Living in the Father's Love** to discover just how much God loves us and how the Gospels are deeply relevant to our relationship with God and with those we love.

ST. BASIL PARISH - UPPER LEVEL
STARTING WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 5
10:00 AM OR 6:30 PM

FOR MORE INFO AND TO ORDER THE BOOK:
<https://www.saintbasilcatholicchurch.org/walking-with-purpose>

Questions? Contact Bobbie Otto at
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walking with purpose
www.walkingwithpurpose.com



Saturdays 7:30 a.m. Upper Level

All men of the parish are welcome. Our fall semester is entitled "All Things New." Don't miss the video presentation by Scott Hahn at 7:30 on

Saturday morning October 1st on a more complete understanding of how the Old Testament relates to our Eucharist! We will be looking at themes such as: covenant, Eucharist, why God?, why Jesus?, why the church?, and other topics relevant to being a Catholic today! Contact Deacon John at jlohrstorfer@yahoo.com