

SAINTS WEEKLY NEWS



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Saint Wenceslaus Catholic School

Weekly Office Update

St. Wenceslaus Catholic School

C-STEM



From the Office of the Principal ...

Dear Parents, Grandparents, and Friend:

Our STEM night was a huge success and we know that everyone had some challenges and some fun. A special thanks to some of our donors who visited during the night to see what our school is up to. The main comment I heard was "how engrossed our students are" in the projects. STEM has taken our school to new levels.

A special thanks to Tom Chromy and Ian Neeser from Chart Industries of New Prague for their awesome demonstration table and to the Minnesota Microscopy Society for their microscope activities. Our school staff also did an amazing job in putting together some new challenges for the night. Here is a short view of the night.

<https://youtu.be/yuoqKsOxMmw>

We welcome visitors to our school to take a look at our new STEM lab. These spaces are often called "makers spaces" because they are busy rooms for lots of hands on learning projects. Thanks to all of our supporters for making this

Calendar of Events:

- Mon., Oct. 16 - Volleyball game in Faribault
- Mon., Oct. 16 - Virtus training class 6:00-9:00PM
- Wed. Oct., 18 - No School/No Club House**
- Thurs., Oct. 19 - No School - Club House Open
- Fri., Oct. 20 - No School-Club House Open
- Mon., Oct. 23 - Volleyball game in Owatonna
- Tues., Oct. 24 - Home Volleyball game 4:00/5:00
- Wed., Oct. 25 - 8:00 School Mass (gr. 8 plans)
- Wed., Oct. 25 - Preschool Craft night 6:30 PM
- Sat., Oct. 28 - Handmade Market 9:00-2:00**
- Mon., Oct. 30 - Open Adoration for students 12:00-2:00
- Tues., Oct. 31 - Halloween Monster Mash Dance 1:00-2:00
- Tues., Oct. 31 - Parish Halloween Mass 5:00 PM
- Wed., Nov. 1 - School Mass for All Saints Day 8:00 AM
- Wed. Nov. 1 - School Pictures (grs. preK,8,7,6,5,4)
- Thurs., Nov. 2 - School Pictures (grs. preschool, Kinder,1,2,3)
- Tues., Nov. 7 - Conferences 4:00-8:00
- Wed., Nov. 8 - School Mass (gr. 6 plans)
- Thurs., Nov. 9 - No School - Conferences 12:00-8:00
- Wed., Nov. 15 - School Mass (gr. 1 plans)
- Fri., Nov. 7 Primary gym night for preschool and kindergarten
- Sat., Nov. 18 - Lego League Competition
- Wed., Nov. 22 - School Mass (gr. 7 plans)
- Thurs., Nov. 23 - No School Thanksgiving
- Fri., Nov. 24 - No School
- Mon., Nov. 27 - School Adoration for students 9:00-11:00 AM
- Wed., Nov. 29 - Penance Service 9:30-11:00 (gr. 3-8)

PRESCHOOL HALLOWEEN CRAFT NIGHT

JOIN US FOR SOME FUN!

6:30-7:30 PM

LITTLE SAINTS PRESCHOOL

FAITHFUL BEGINNINGS AT ST. WENCESLAUS SCHOOL

Celebrate Halloween with an evening of crafts and activities!

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No School and No Club House on Wed., Oct. 18-This Week!

All school staff will be attending the Summit of Excellence, a special gathering of Catholic School staff, at the Minneapolis Convention Center sponsored by the Catholic School Center of Excellence.



School Christmas Program Date

The date for our all-school Christmas program with PreK - Grade 8 students has changed to Thursday, December 14 with 2 performances at 1:00 pm and 6:30 PM.

Our School Mission Statement

St. Wenceslaus School is a family centered faith community committed to the intellectual and spiritual formation of our students. We provide a high quality academic program that builds leadership and self-confidence while nurturing a loving relationship with God and encouraging service to others.

Marathon Success!

Thanks to everyone! We not only reached our goal of \$42,000, we have exceeded it!

This is an awesome effort from the school community to get the year started out well.

A special thanks to our Marathon moms:

Angela Egan, Jill Hanzel, Jenny Davis, and Meggie Pelowski and Alice Fierst for all of their planning and work to get the kids excited with prizes, count and keep track of all of the pledges, and for putting together the marathon day events, prize rally and the pizza party! Thanks to Ron McBroom for being the #1 supporter and pledger of the school for the past 28+ years! Ron has 110 pledges and has collected \$7600 this year. Also thanks to all of the community business and people who donated prizes especially to Paul Hanzel Homes and Matt Egan Electric who each donated \$100 in gift cards for the prize rally.



Starry Night Auction Committee Members Wanted!

We are seeking 5-6 new committee member for our Starry Night Auction. Please consider this opportunity of working behind the scenes to put together this extraordinary event. Each member takes on a smaller role of planning and it comes together is one huge event. We need more parents to come forward to help us out !

Please contact Kim to discuss this possibility.

SWS Handmade Market



**Saturday, October 28
9:00-2:00**

Catholic High Schools!

A wonderful option for high school is nearby. Last week we had visits from the following schools:

- Holy Family Catholic High School in Victoria
- Bethlehem Academy in Faribault

You might want to consider these schools in the future. They offer a faith-filled high school experience. Their academic and sports programs are amazing and the smaller environment is perfect for many students to gain confidence and success. Catholic high schools produce very successful learners and people who value their connection to God in their lives much in the same way that SWS does but at a much larger scale. Catholic education preschool - grade 12 is now possible for all. Both of these school will be offering transportation to the high school by school vans beginning with the next school year.

Check them out for their upcoming open house opportunities!

We are now getting ready for the **Handmade Market!** We have over 60 vendors who will be bringing handcrafted items for sale. This is an excellent place to shop and a fun day out with all of your friends! We will be serving coffee and breakfast items. We will also have lunch for purchase. The key to our success is to get lots of shoppers! Please invite all of your friends and spread the news of the Handmade Market to everyone you know!

School conferences

Tuesday, November 7 from 4:00 - 8:00 PM
Thursday, November 9 from 12:00 noon - 8:00

All conferences will take place in the teacher's classroom
15 minutes for preschool - Grade 5
10 minutes for each teacher grades 6-8

Sign up link:

<http://signup.com/go/rM9y4f>

Exceptions:

Grade 2 - conferences only on Thursday 2:00-8:00
Music and PE - only on Tuesday 4:00-8:00
STEM Preschool - only on Tuesday

Adoration Time

Monday, October 30 we will have another open adoration time for our students in the chapel. This is a wonderful time when the students can choose to come and pray on their own. It is quite amazing to see them really opening their hearts up to Jesus for some quiet time in prayer.

School Picture Days

Wed. Nov. 1 - Grades: PreK, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4
Thurs., Nov. 2 - Grades: Preschool, Kindergarten, 1, 2, 3

A picture envelope will be sent home a few days before the picture days. All students get their pictures takes for the yearbook and for our records even though you may opt out of purchasing anything.