



# ST. SEBASTIAN SCHOOL

Celebrating Over 100 Years of Catholic Education

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**NO SCHOOL - CHRISTMAS BREAK** – Tuesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> is a full day of school. Christmas break begins at 3:00. School will resume on Monday, January 4th.

**NON-UNIFORM DAY ON FRIDAY** – Student Council is sponsoring a non-uniform day on Friday to help support the Holiday Food Drive for the House of Peace. To participate students should bring a non-perishable food item with them on Friday, preferably on the classroom needs list. Student Council also discovered that there is a big need for canned yams/sweet potatoes. Any food item will help!

**CLASSROOM CHRISTMAS PARTIES** – Check with your child for the date, time and details of their classroom Christmas party. Some teachers are choosing this Friday and some are Tuesday.

**6<sup>th</sup> GRADE OUTDOOR EDUCATION PARENT MEETING** – Thursday, January 7 at 6:00 is the 6<sup>th</sup> grade parent orientation meeting in the Adult Formation Room in the Gathering Space. . The Outdoor Education trip to Camp Edwards is February 10 – 12.

**PHOTOS** – The retake photos have arrived. They are available for pick up in the school office.

**BUYING GIFT CERTIFICATES FOR THE HOLIDAYS?** - Please consider buying SCRIP gift cards! The parish purchases gift cards to **over 90 stores** at a discounted rate. School families and parish members buy these cards at the face value. Families can use the profit earned to offset annual school and Faith Formation fees. We have **the same gift cards you would buy in the store** for gas, groceries, restaurants and shopping. If we don't have it on hand, we can order it for you. We take cash and checks. SCRIP is sold after all masses in the Gathering Space, or you can stop in the Parish House during the week. The parish office is open Mon – Thurs 9:00 – 8:00, Fri 9:00 – 5:00, Sat 9:00 – 1:00. You can also fill out an order form, available in the school office. Thank you!

**ANNUAL PARISH CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE CHOIR** - All children, grades 2-5, are invited to participate in a special choir to sing during the Christmas Eve (12/24) 4:00 p.m. "family" mass. There will be two special rehearsals: Monday, 12/21 from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. in church and Wednesday, 12/23 from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. also in the church. If you are unable to make a portion of a rehearsal, please simply let Mike Kamenski know. To register your child(ren), please e-mail [mkamenski@saintsebs.org](mailto:mkamenski@saintsebs.org) and use "xmas choir" in the subject line, or if you don't use e-mail, call 414-453-1928.

**HOLIDAY LIGHT RECYCLING** – Please drop off burned-out holiday lights or extension cords in the colorful boxes at church and school entrances. High school faith formation students will bring them in for recycling and donate the money to a designated charity.

**CONE PATROL** – Cone patrol duty the 2 day week of 12/21 is anyone who is out there, to get on Santa's nice list. Room 212 is on cone patrol duty the week of Jan. 4 in the new year.

**TRAINEE WANTED** - Carrie Pruhs, parent of 7<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls, maintains much of the school's website on behalf of the school office and is looking for one or two people to take over when her kids graduate. It took a few years to really get comfortable with the techniques and get to know the contacts; getting someone started now would help preserve consistency. If you are interested in learning what goes on behind the scenes with the posts on the website and like working with computers, this volunteer position is for you. The program, WordPress, is easy to use and is web-based, so you could work from home. Contact Carrie at [cpuhs@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cpuhs@sbcglobal.net) or call 414-302-9551 for more information.

**ORDER YOUR MARQUETTE TICKETS FOR OUR MIDDLE SCHOOL CHOIR SINGING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM** – Use the ticket order form for Marquette vs. DePaul on January 20 at 7:00. Our Middle School Choir will sing the National Anthem. Tickets cost \$25 each and include a premium Dwayne Wade figurine prize. Tickets make a great family event or Christmas present.!

**ST. SEBASTIAN/ST. CATHERINE MASS SCHEDULE – HOLY DAYS AND HOLIDAYS –**

Christmas Eve    Thursday, December 24  
                         4:00 PM at St. Sebastian– Family mass  
                         4:00 PM at St. Catherine  
                         10:30 PM at St. Sebastian – Traditional Vigil mass

Christmas Day    Friday, December 25  
                         10:00 AM at St. Catherine  
                         10:30 AM at St. Sebastian

New Year's Eve   Thursday, December 31  
                         5:00 PM at St. Catherine

New Year Day    Friday, January 1  
                         10:00 AM. at St. Sebastian

**READERS ARE LEADERS UPDATE** -**Read N Quiz**- Students in grades 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> are encouraged to read for pleasure and take reading comprehension quizzes using the Read n Quiz reading incentive program. After successfully passing quizzes, students earn points. Congratulations to these students for earning the following points! Keep reading!!!!

**5+ POINTS**

Finn B.  
Autumn S.  
Vinzell W.  
Zyila W.  
Evelyn Am.

**10+ POINTS**

Luke M.  
Joe M.  
Bennett C.

**YAC SNACK STAND** - The complete Snack Stand Schedule is ready! Please look at the attached schedule to find your child's name. That is the date/time that an adult from that family is scheduled to work. If you cannot work the date/time you have been assigned, it is your responsibility to switch with someone. All changes must be communicated to Laura Mullen at [mullenlaura@att.net](mailto:mullenlaura@att.net). Thanks for your help with the St. Sebastian Sports Program!

### **UPCOMING EVENTS AT DIVINE SAVIOR HOLY ANGELS HIGH SCHOOL**

#### **January 2016**

- Friday, January 12 **Future Dasher Night - Basketball Game 7:30 p.m.**
- Friday, January 29 **Incoming Freshman Lock-In**

#### **February 2016**

- Wednesday, February 3 **Incoming Freshman Orientation**
- Thursday, February 11 **Incoming Freshman Registration**
- Friday, February 19 **Girls Night In 6-8 p.m.**

**(Pre-Registration Required)**

#### **March 2016**

- Friday, March 18 **Girls Night In 5:30-8 p.m.**

**(For Moms and Daughters; Pre-Registration Required)**

- Monday, March 21 **7th Grade Visit Day**

**(Pre-Registration Required)**

#### **April 2016**

- Tuesday, April 12 **7th Grade Visit Day**

**(Pre-Registration Required)**

- Tuesday, April 26 **7th Grade Visit Day**

**(Pre-Registration Required)**

### **CONFIRMATION AND REVIEW OF CATHOLIC TEACHING**

Confirmation is the Sacrament by which we take on the challenge to take up the mission of Christ and to live our faith without fear or regret. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, Confirmation helps awaken our spirits and strengthens us for the work of God. Perhaps you "missed" Confirmation as a youth? Perhaps you were confirmed by need a refresher on the core of what the Catholic Church believes and teaches. Maybe you are not yet a member of the Catholic Church and feel drawn to us. Each year we offer two 9-week sessions centered on the Basics of Catholicism which may lead to the celebration of Confirmation. If you would like to be confirmed, if you would like to learn more about our teachings, or if you have questions about the Sacraments please contact Ed Duncklee {414-453-7150 or [eduncklee@saintsebs.org](mailto:eduncklee@saintsebs.org)}.

