



ST. SEBASTIAN SCHOOL

Celebrating Over 100 Years of Catholic Education

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OPEN HOUSE - Save the date for Sunday, January 25th from 9a.m.-noon for St. Sebastian School's Open House. Former, current, and new families are invited to experience all that St. Sebastian School has to offer! Come and take a tour and share a morning snack in the cafeteria with fellow families. Current school families are invited to visit their next year's classrooms & teachers. See the attached flyer and pass it out to friends, neighbors, co-workers and more!

FISH FRY – This Friday night!

4th ANNUAL SCOUT SUNDAY: FEBRUARY 8th, 10:30 MASS - Calling all girls and boys who are Scouts of any troop, den, pack or patrol and are members of the parish. Scouts will be involved in all facets of the 10:30 mass this day, including serving, cantoring, greeting, lecturing, offertory, etc. If interested, please email Mary at SebsScoutSunday@gmail.com. A 'Sign Up Genius' link will be sent out to all interested families.

HELP WANTED: SCRIP SELLERS FOR AFTER 10:30 MASS - If you can spare 30 minutes once or twice per month to help with this fundraiser/service to parishioners, please call Mary at 530-7470 or email at marymadi225@gmail.com. The job is easy- sit in the gathering space and sell gift cards to parishioners after mass and then tally the sales when done. We only need THREE people to be fully staffed. Your time would make a huge difference to the volunteers covering the empty slots.

CONE PATROL – Room 210 is on cone patrol duty the week of 1/12.

BUZZ BOOK UPDATE – Please make a change in your buzz book for the family of Laila Johnson. Their new address is: 2842 N. 90th Street, Milwaukee 53222.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR - WELCOME BACK! Children in grades 2-5 are welcome to join (re-join!) the children's choir which sings approximately every other Wednesday for the all-school mass. New members are also welcome. The choir rehearses approximately every Monday in the church from 3:00pm to 3:30pm. We are already beginning in the first weeks of January. There are NO auditions – all are welcome. We sing fun music and learn about church and God and each other! Come and sing with us! SPECIAL NOTE – the choir has been scheduled to sing at the Sunday, January 11, 8:00a mass. Please come to support them! Mr. Kamenski 453-1928 mkamenski@saintsebs.org (for questions)

POPCORN SALE – 6th grade will be selling popcorn for 50 cents after school on January 9, 16, 23 and 30. Proceeds will go to their Outdoor Education camping trip.

PACK 231 PRESENTS FREE MOVIE NIGHT SHOWING DOLPHIN TALE 2 - Come and warm up with some hot chocolate and a evening movie after a fish fry.

When: Jan 9, 6:45 – 9:30 p.m., Doors open at 6:45, and showtime is 7:30.

Where: Church Hall

Baked goods, candy and popcorn will be available for sale.

SECOND QUARTER GRADES & REPORT CARDS – Grades for the second grading period close Friday, January 23. All financial obligations must be current or your child's report card will not be released. Please be sure your payments to the school, the parish and PAL are up to date. Parish Families also must have their 2015 Stewardship Pledge Commitment cards on file in the parish office.

NO SCHOOL MONDAY, JANUARY 19 – Teacher Inservice on the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

8TH GRADE PHOTOS – 8th grade students will have their graduation pictures taken Friday, January 16th. They may dress up.

SCHOOL MARKETING/ RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE - We have great teachers. We have great students. We have great parents. Those, my friends, are the necessary ingredients for a great school. We have it here. Above and beyond, our children also receive moral, religious and emotional instruction on how to live a faith-filled life. While **we** may know the value of St. Sebastian, do other parents in the neighborhood or Catholic community? We need to let other parents know the gem that is St. Sebastian. How to do this is another question, but a question St. Sebastian is ready to tackle. We are starting a new committee that will dedicate itself to marketing/recruitment for St. Sebastian School. If you are interested in being a part of the committee, have any marketing experience that you could share, or just have ideas that will help get the word out, please come to an initial meeting on Monday, January 12th at 6:30 in the Multipurpose Room. While we have great teachers, great students, and great parents, we want and need more. Let's spread the word about our premier Catholic school in the city of Milwaukee. Please contact Molly Ambrose at ambrosem@archmil.org if you are unable to attend, but would like to be involved with the committee.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT – All families are invited to join us for Family Game Night in the Church Hall on Sunday January 18 at 7:00. You could also attend the parish 6:00 p.m. mass together as a family if you are interested. This is the first Family Game Night sponsored by the school Education Committee and Faith Formation as part of our Math Improvement plan. We will have games there or bring your favorite from home to share. Also feel free to bring a snack or drink.

6TH GRADE PARENT MEETING ON THURSDAY – The Outdoor Education Parent Meeting for 6th grade parents is Thursday Jan. 8 at 6:00 in the Adult Formation Room.

HOME & SCHOOL MEETING – The January H&S Meeting is Thursday Jan. 8 at 6:30 in the Multipurpose Room.

ORDER YOUR MARQUETTE TICKETS FOR OUR MIDDLE SCHOOL CHOIR SINGING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM – Use the ticket order form for Marquette vs. Seton Hall during Catholic Schools Week on January 28 at 6:00. Our Middle School Choir will sing the National Anthem. Tickets cost \$18 each and include a premium prize.

CENTER STREET PARK ICE RINK AND USED SKATE DRIVE - Winter is here and it's time to sled and ski and ice skate. Did you know that there is going to be a new outdoor ice rink at Center Street Park this winter beginning in January? *The Friends of Center Street Park*, with generous support from the Waterstone Bank Foundation, is building the rink and we hope that you and your family will come to the park once it is open to enjoy some winter fun.

The rink will be open free of charge to everyone in the community and we are also hoping to provide free skate rentals. This is where we are hoping that you might be able to help. Do you have skates that you no longer use, or are too small for your kids? If so, we would love to have them! The skates do not need to be new or in perfect condition; we will take skates of any size, in usable condition.

Just drop off your skates at any Wauwatosa Firehouse between now and January 16th.

We also hope you will consider volunteering in the pavilion on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday during January and February. Volunteers will sell concessions, lend out skates and tend the fire in the pavilion on Friday. We need at least one adult per shift, but teens are welcome and encouraged to sign up as well.

Here is the link to sign up: <http://vols.pt/ZSHBhH>

PLEASE PROMOTE OUR OPEN HOUSE