



ST. SEBASTIAN SCHOOL

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PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES– Conferences are today and tomorrow. Appointment slips were sent home last Wednesday with the family mail carrier. If you need to change your appointment, please contact the school office. Conferences are held on Wednesday, February 24 from 4:00 – 8:00 and Thursday, February 25 from 2:00 – 4:00 and from 5:00 – 8:00. All conferences this session are by appointment, including middle school. Remember – school dismisses today, Wednesday February 24 at 11:30 and there is no school for students on Thursday & Friday February 25 & 26.

2016 – 2017 REGISTRATION– Individualized registration packets for enrollment in the 2016-2017 school year are available. If you did not pick it up at the Open House, your registration packet was sent home with your family mail carrier. Please complete and return your registration papers as soon as possible. Remember, nobody is automatically re-enrolled for both school registration & Choice registration. Reminder – the \$50 late registration fee for returning families starts **MARCH 1!**

2016 – 2017 SCHOOL CHOICE PROGRAM – St. Sebastian School Choice Program registration for both the Milwaukee (MPCP) & Wisconsin (WPCP) open **TUESDAY MARCH 1!** There are big changes to the 2016-17 School Choice Program, including new financial guidelines, new on-line application system and a new definition of the parish Choice Cap. Come to a 2nd special School Choice meeting on **Thursday**

March 3 at 5:30 in the Church Hall. The meeting is mandatory for current Choice families and suggested if you are interested in the Choice Program that did not make the 1st Choice Meeting. See the meeting flyer and instruction sheet in your registration packet.

Choice Enrollment for St. Sebastian School will start March 1! All Choice Registration **MUST** be completed and all forms turned in by March 20! Look for future newsletters for some open computer lab times for help sessions.

YEARBOOK ORDER FORMS – A yearbook order form was sent home last week with each student. These orders are due by Tuesday, March 8th.

CONE PATROL –Room 212 is on cone patrol duty the week of Feb. 29.

FISH FRY – Join us on Friday for our Carry Out only February Fish Fry!

8th GRADE TRIP – Best wishes to our 8th grade class, teachers, and parent chaperones as they leave on their trip to Washington, DC next Monday. The coach bus departs bright and early on February 29 and will return March 4. We pray for safe travels and good weather.

SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENTATION – Students in grades 5, 6 & 7 will be going to Marquette High School during the day on Monday, February 29 for a Social Media Presentation. The Social Media Student Presentation:

“Dude. Be Nice” is presented by Jerry Ackerman and will be attended by nearly two thousand students.

Later that night on Monday Feb. 29 at 7:00 p.m. at Christ King Parish Church, there will be a Parent event “Parenting in the Snapchat Generation”. We hope as many parents as possible can attend the free evening event at Christ King.

FOR PARISH FAMILIES ONLY - If you are a member of St. Sebastian Church, it is time for the Parish Photo Directory, and it won't be complete without YOU! This is a great time to update the family portrait, but more importantly it's about getting to know everyone in the Parish. We have scheduled six dates in March for individuals or families to have a Lifetouch photographer take their portraits. Getting the picture taken is free and you get one photo and a directory. There is a charge if you would like to order more copies. Here's the link: <http://saintsebastianonline.net/parish-pictorial-directory/>. Contact Carole Poth at 445-5115, ext 126, or at cpoth@saintcatherine.org.

SAVE THE DATE - 8th grade girls are headed to the Padre Basketball tournament on Friday March 11th at 5:30 at Mt. Mary University. We are so proud of the girls and the fantastic season they have had so far. Two first place tournaments and one runner-up. Come and support and cheer on our awesome 8th grade girls.

CONGRATULATIONS - The 6th grade boys “white” team took 2nd place in the St. Thomas Aquinas Academy basketball tournament last weekend. Good job!

CONGRATULATIONS 5th GRADE GIRLS! - In their first basketball tournament appearance, the 5th grade girls' team took 3rd place in the St. Mary's Basketball Tournament last weekend. Great job, ladies!

MITTENS! HATS! JACKETS! LUNCHBOXES! - Missing anything? Please take a close look at the lost and found table, which you will find outside the school office Wednesday & Thursday during conferences. Unclaimed items will be donated.

ROSIE READER - Congratulations to the following students for their progress on the Rosie Reader program:

Completing the letter “A” in R-E-A-D-I-N-G:

K4- Samantha Kokalis

Great job Samantha, keep reading!

ATTENTION FORENSIC STUDENTS – There are several forensic T-shirts available for sale in the Learning Center. They sell for \$10 and both youth and adult sizes are left. If you are interested in purchasing a shirt, please talk to Mrs. Kirkpatrick on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays after school.

SPIRIT WEAR FINAL WEEK - to order your St. Sebastian Parish School Spirit

Gear: <https://stsebastiangear.itemorder.com>. Show your school support and pride. Get your Raiders and St. Sebastian Parish School wear and gear in time for Easter baskets. It's better than candy! Orders must be placed by Tuesday, March 1st. and will be ready for pickup on Friday, March 18th (school lobby) from 2:00-3:15 or sent home through backpack mail. Questions? email Rebecca

Desch deschjr@me.com. Thank you for supporting Home & School. All proceeds help fund Home & School sponsored events.

THE BFG – Divine Savior Holy Angels High School presents The BFG. St. Sebastian alum Susan Falk is performing. The play runs from March 10 -13 with a special family fun night package on Friday, March 11 – 2 adults, 2 children, 1 large pizza and 4 drinks for \$45. See the attached order form for further details.

SAFEGUARDING GOD'S CHILDREN - As part of it effort to protect all children and youth, the parish and the Archdiocese of Milwaukee requires every person who works in direct contact with children or youth complete a background check and a Safeguarding God's Children workshop. We will be offering a Safeguarding Workshop on **Tuesday, March 1st in Saint Sebastian Church Hall beginning at 6:00 pm.**

To register for this workshop, go to the Archdiocese of Milwaukee website:

<http://www.archmil.org/offices/safeguarding.htm>

SCRIP – Remember to use Scrip when doing your everyday grocery shopping. Pick N Save, Sendiks and Sentry gift cards are generally available on a cash and carry basis at the parish office. Or arrange to have them delivered to school for you. The profit is 4% - 5%. You have to buy groceries anyway, so why not earn a little money for St. Sebastian's while you shop?

FARMER'S MARKET/BRUNCH - On Sunday, March 6, 2016 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., St. Sebastian will host the 8th annual Winter Farmer's Market and Brunch in our church hall. The market is free, and discounted tickets for the meal will be available for sale at St. Sebastian after each mass on February 28, at fish fry on March 4, and (if we don't sell out!) at the door the day of the market. Advance meal ticket prices are \$8 (age 13 to adult), \$5 (age 5-12) or a maximum of \$25/family. At the door meal tickets are \$10, \$6 and \$30/family respectively. Kids 4 and under are free.

If you want to purchase tickets but can't make it to mass or fish fry, contact Lena Stephenson at 414-403-7131.

If you want to volunteer to help with the event, register on the volunteer portal by February 28 or contact Tonia Schmear at 262-754-2766.

SAVE THE DATE - SEBS PROM - Come as you were!

Who: Parents, staff, parishioners, neighbors and friends (adults only event)

What: Music, dancing, beer, wine, period garb, and general merriment

When: April 9th from 8-11pm

Where: Church basement, classic!

Why: For fun, of course, with all proceeds benefitting school needs.

A flyer will be attached to the newsletter next week giving more details about the event. Tickets sales begin next week: \$25 per person/\$40 for two people. Start looking in your closet for period garb to "come as you were" from your prom, or start assembling an equally ridiculous outfit from a different generation's prom. The world is your oyster. Please contact Molly Ambrose at mollyj26@hotmail.com for any details.