



ST. SEBASTIAN SCHOOL

Celebrating Over 100 Years of Catholic Education

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TEACHER INSERVICE SPECIAL DISMISSAL TIME FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 - Friday September 25 is the Archdiocesan teacher-training program Sustaining the Mission. Teachers need to be at St. Jude School by noon, so we will dismiss that day only at **11:00 a.m.** Thank you for your cooperation with this special half-day dismissal time.

TRAINEE WANTED - Carrie Pruhs, parent of 7th and 5th 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 cpruhs@sbcglobal.net or call 414-302-9551 for more information.

CONE PATROL – Room 212 is on cone patrol duty the week of 9/28.

PASTA DINNER THIS WEEKEND! - This Saturday, September 26, is the 8th grade's Pasta Dinner fundraiser for their big trip to DC. Please help support these hard-working kids (and their families!) by attending. Final call for advance tickets at a discount is TODAY. Tickets will be for sale (\$10/adults, \$7 kids 4-11, FREE for 3 and under) on the playground after school today. Can't plan that far ahead? Show up on Saturday between 5 and 7:30 at the church hall anyway. Tickets will just cost a little more (\$12 for adults and \$8 for kids) ... but still well worth it! Thanks for your support!

DESPERATELY SEEKING PHOTOS FOR THE ST. SEBASTIAN SCHOOL FOUNDATION'S ANNUAL REPORT AND CALENDAR! **Parents and teachers:** We need your help to continue to make the calendar a successful fundraising tool and an enjoyable calendar for our school's families! Do you have photos from GRADUATION, FIRST COMMUNION, school play, school concerts, High Interest Day, field trips, sports or daily activities in the classroom from the 2014-2015 school year or from the current school year? PLEASE SHARE! In addition to the activities listed, we are especially in need of photos that include the 6th, 7th and 8th grade students.

Please email full size photos to trish@flourishdesignworks.com before October 12.

Photos from your phone can work. Please do not reduce the size when you email them.

If photos are too large for email, or you would like to make other arrangements to transfer photos, please contact Trish at the above email or call 262-349-4339 to make arrangements.

We can't make the calendar without your help. THANK YOU!

PHOTO ORDERS – Thanks for a successful picture day on Monday. Photo proofs will be sent home soon, and you can choose the pose & picture package to order.

FISH FRIES ARE COMING!! - It is Fish Fry season! Our first Fish Fry of the school year is October 2nd! Please go to the Parish website at <http://saintsebastianonline.net/community-life/fish-fry> for schedule of dates, menu, and current prices.

FRY KID SIGNUP IS LIVE WEDNESDAY - Those children wishing to be **FRY KIDS** for the October 2nd Fish Fry can begin signing up Wednesday, September 23rd. Positions open will include: Servers (grades 6-8), Bussers and Setters (grades 4-8), Hallway Monitors (grades 7-8), and Childcare Assistant (grades 6-8). There are 23 open slots available – so sign up early.
For those adults wishing to volunteer for the monthly grade level openings, the signup should be ready by Thursday. Thanks! The Fry Kids staff.

- Welcomes Back School Families! THANK YOU for sending in your auction donation envelopes! Our parish auction appreciates the strong support from school families over the years. Donation envelopes were included in your July school packet. Your tax-deductible donations (cash or checks payable to St. Sebastian) will procure items for our Oct 24th parish auction. Thanks to those of you who already turned in your donations via the school office! Turn-in target is Friday, September 25th. Questions? Contact auction liaison Kim Nistler, knistl@gmail.com.

TRIVIA NIGHT IS BACK! – See the on-line Trivia Team Registration form and get your team together for a night of fun. We had 17 teams at our Trivia Night in the spring, and we have a limit of 25 teams, so get your team in early. All proceeds will benefit the St. Sebastian School Library. Ask someone who attended last year how much fun it was & we will see you October 17. Enjoy the Catholic Schools Walk as a family in the morning then get a babysitter for an adult night out later.

ROCK THE CLOCK AUCTION 2015! REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

We hope you'll join us! Register NOW via the parish website, or <http://bit.ly/SebAuction2015>.

***Early Bird Pricing!** \$100 per pair of tickets or \$55 per person until Oct 1, 2015. After Oct 1, ticket prices increase to \$110 per pair or \$60 per person.

***Be a Table Captain!** Just find seven other people to sit at your table, and you're eligible for a drawing! Questions? Contact Laura Mullen, mullenlaura@att.net or 414-456-9428.

***Small groups, pairs, or singles?** Everyone has a place at the Auction! We'll find a fun table for you!

***Business donations, advertisements & sponsorships!** We have several opportunities! Check the parish website, or <http://saintsebastianonline.net/community-life/parish-auction/>

Questions? Contact Terese Shelledy - shelledy@execpc.com or 414-475-1222

- The Pope is coming! Pope Francis is coming to the United States this week! To celebrate his historic visit, the third graders would like to throw in the towel. For the Humane Society that is. Pope Francis is named for St. Francis, the patron saint of animals. He is also very concerned about the environment and the Humane Society has a use for cardboard paper towel and toilet paper rolls. The small animals have fun running through the tubes.

If you have some extra kitchen or bath towels that would make Martha Stewart cringe...or maybe the country blue and barn red color scheme doesn't work for you anymore – then send them to school. We will be collecting cardboard tubes and towels through October 2nd. Donations can be sent to Mrs. Saeger's room 102.

DONATION NEEDED - We are looking for a large, gently used carpet (8x10 or larger). If you, or someone that you know, has one to donate please call the school office to speak with Mrs. Fredericks. Thank you!

USA VISIT FROM POPE FRANCIS – Various classroom activities are taking place this week to celebrate Pope Francis United States trip. Discuss the visit as a family and find out what the students are learning.

PLAYGROUND REMINDERS – Remember that for the safety of the students, the playground is closed for traffic and parking from 10:00 – 1:00. Please park on the street. Also, we could use more playground volunteers during lunch recess time, which is 11:00 – 1:00. If you can help out occasionally, please contact Mrs. Golomski at 453-5830.

MAGAZINE AND GIFT SALE - Don't forget to go online and register your family and send one email. This will get you entered in a drawing for a \$5,000 family vacation. This week Thursday is the first turn-in for any paper orders. We do not need copies of online orders as we can see these as they are added to the system. Our school code is 2535623. I thought there was a handout in the packet explaining all of the events, prizes etc but it may not have gotten into all the packets. The handout can be found on the St. Seb's website under the magazine sale. Here is the link.

<http://school.saintsebastianonline.net/magazine-sale-begins-september-16-2015/>

There are additional packets in the office if needed. Final turn- in day is Friday Oct 2nd at 0800 for prizes. If questions email Colleen Poggenburg at cfitz@mcw.edu <<mailto:cfitz@mcw.edu>> </mailto:cfitz@mcw.edu>

WALK FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS - On October 17, 114 schools in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee will walk together at Mount Mary College to raise awareness about the impact of Catholic education. Students and their families, as well as faculty, parish members and alumni are invited to participate. The free **Registration is over, so a \$10 per person registration fee will be charged.** Donor envelopes are being sent home with mail carriers today. Send those envelopes back to the office with any donations by Oct. 17.

This celebratory event is also a wonderful fundraiser for our school. **All donations and pledges raised by our team go directly to St. Sebastian School.** This fundraiser will help offset the cost of the educational program service fee and to purchase a SMARTboard. If you are required to pay an educational program service fee, whatever amount of money you personally raise will be deducted from your educational program service fee during registration in the Spring. This is similar to the Scrip program. If you raise more than your program fee, or any amounts raised by those who are not required to pay the program fee, the donations will go into a general fund to raise money for a SMARTboard. Our goal is to raise \$4,000 in order to purchase a SMARTboard. We strongly encourage making a donation to support Catholic education, specifically our school. Participation is very important, so any amount is appreciated. Feel free to share this with family members and friends to pledge on your behalf, and don't forget to invite them to walk with you. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Walk information, as well as registration can be found at catholicschoolswalk.org. We look forward to you joining the St. Sebastian Team!

Thank you in advance for your support!

CYM (CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRIES) CO ED VOLLEYBALL - The CYM Volleyball League gives high school teens an opportunity to reconnect with old grade school friends and to meet new ones. All parish members, grades 9-12 attending a Catholic high school or St. Sebastian religious ed are eligible to play. Games are against other parish teams on Sunday afternoons beginning October 25th ending with a tournament the weekend of December 12-13. Player and team forms, rules and schedule information are available at cymvolleyball.com. Please download the forms and turn completed forms into the parish house as soon as possible but no later than October 1st. Call Chris Marcoux at (414) 258-1734 with questions.

EXTRA MILEAGE CLUB ACTIVITIES - Wednesday, Oct. 7th is National Walk to School Day! Mileage Club students who walk or ride their bike to school that day or any day that week will earn 5 punches on their card. Also, the Souls for Education walk is coming up . . . Mileage Club students who participate will earn 10 punches on their card. Please use the participation slip below (or write the same information on a scrap piece of paper). Slips with the below information should go to Leah Sealey via the school office or classroom backpack mail. Mileage Club is open to any student in 2nd, 3rd, or 4th grade. If you are interested in volunteering for Mileage Club (our biggest need is on Tuesdays 12-1pm) please contact Leah Sealey at leahsealey@hotmail.com or 414-774-0836.

Student Name _____ Grade _____

Participated in (check one or both that apply):

___ National Walk to School Day (any one day between Oct. 5-16)
for 5 punches on their card and/or

___ Souls for Education Walk (Oct. 17) for 10 punches on their card.

Parent signature _____

Return via office or backpack mail to: Leah Sealey