



# ST. SEBASTIAN SCHOOL

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Dear St. Sebastian School Community,

As you are most likely aware by this point, this time of year holds a number of ways one can give to and meaningfully support our community.

Last weekend, St. Coletta Day School held their annual Colettascope Auction, which was a wonderful event and huge success, if determined by nothing more than the number of people gathered, the energy in Mount Mary's ballroom, and the joy on students', families', staff members', and supporters' faces alike! Well done, as always, SCDS and planning team!

On Saturday, December 8th, St. Sebastian Parish and School will hold our auction at the school, celebrating by means of an "Old Fashioned Christmas" theme! Chairs Michael and Tricia Zielinski, along with a team of dedicated individuals, continue the work and efforts of auction chairs and teams of years' past, with a new theme and spin on the evening, guaranteeing a great time! The overall goal, of course, is bringing people together for a worthy cause - supporting the many people, efforts, and ministries of our parish and school community. Speaking on behalf of the school, raising funds through options such as this is a significant way we provide more educational and experiential opportunities to our students, staff, and families. The auction is also a fun opportunity to connect with past and present "Seb's" families and friends. We hope you might consider attending if you are able! Please see the Newsletter for more information and be sure to register! There is a discounted price for new attendees.

We also have the Kringle Sale and Magazine Drive occurring, also important fundraising efforts. Sales through these means help support Home & School's efforts to directly support our students and staff through yearly events such as Field Day, a treat here and there for our students and staff, and also for classroom and instructional purchases we hope to make. Essentially, it all helps!

Finally, the parish is collecting non-perishable items for St. Catherine's food pantry. Please consider sending your child to school with any food contributions to help stock the pantry now through next week Tuesday (though I'm sure they accept donations year-round). We would like to have students help organize the donations to bring over to the Gathering Space of the church next week on our shortened week. Helping our neighbors in need is of primary importance before even meeting our own needs and fundraising efforts. Yet, all efforts are important in the big picture, if we wish to keep providing the host of meaningful services and community operations we do here at St. Sebastian!

Thank you for considering any ways you might give at this time of year, and may God bless you always!

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**NEXT WEEK! - MONDAY & TUESDAY** - Dear Parents, next week as you know is a shortened school week with classes on Monday & Tuesday only. Our staff decided to take one of our allowed days "off" on Wednesday, in order to allow families and staff the flexibility of Wednesday for Thanksgiving travel and/or preparations. If your family is not traveling, we ask that you please, of course, send your children to school on Monday and Tuesday, knowing there is still great value in our 2-day school week. It is the end of the Trimester, so teachers will be wrapping up final instruction and assessments. Additionally, Mrs. Skinner, and myself, are planning opportunities for the older students (grades 4-8) to watch the film, "Wonder" with important follow-up discussion on peer relationships, particularly having dialogue about embracing our differences from and similarities with one another. The younger students (K4-3rd) will watch the film "Inside Out", as we follow-up to discuss managing our emotions, tools in self-regulation when we work through our feelings, and reinforcement of the Zones of Regulation, which are taught and practiced in the classroom. We also hope to build in some service opportunities here and there. It will be a meaningful and fun two days of learning and dialogue!

**NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS NEEDED FROM ALL** - As a reminder from the opening letter of today's newsletter, students are asked to please bring in non-perishable food items through next Tuesday. In this instance, students will not receive a "dress down pass" for bringing food in, as the goal is to teach our children to give without receiving something in return, simply for contributing to the well-being of others. Please do try to remember to have your child experience contributing to this food drive and helping others.

\*Separately, as a fun community opportunity prior to the holiday, all students and staff are invited to dress down on Tuesday of next week.

**ST. SEBASTIAN SCHOOL THEATRE PRESENTS MARY POPPINS, JR.** – “Anything Can Happen” when you put 60 grade school actors, singers and dancers together on a stage and it is sure to be a “Jolly Holiday” with Mary when you add the delightful junior version of Walt Disney’s Mary Poppins. Performances are Friday, November 16, Saturday, November 17 at 7:00 PM and Sunday, November 18 at 2:30 PM in the church hall. Tickets are \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students. Put the word out!! “Step in Time” to the production of MARY POPPINS, JR. It will definitely be a SUPERCALIFRAGILISTICEXPEIALIDOCIOUS experience – not one to miss.

**ONLINE PAYMENTS** - We know how busy everyone gets, so we want to make it as fast and easy for everyone to submit payments – and donations! – to St. Sebastian School and Parish. Here are a few online payment options, including weekly or other recurring payments, or a one-time expenditure. You’ll receive a receipt via email for your records. If you have any problems or comments, just contact Joann Perleberg – [jperleberg@saintsebs.org](mailto:jperleberg@saintsebs.org).

Payments:

- School Program/Non-Parishioner Tuition – <http://bit.ly/SebsPaySchool>
- Hot Lunch – <http://bit.ly/SebsPayHot>
- PAL Day Care – <http://bit.ly/SebsPayPAL>

Donations:

- Parish Tithing – <http://bit.ly/SebsPayParish>
- Parish Debt Elimination – <http://bit.ly/SebsPayDebt>
- School Foundation – <http://bit.ly/SebsPayFound>

**FUN FACT** – Did you know that we currently have 38 students at St. Sebastian School whose parent also attended St. Sebastian School when they were children? (One family has both the mother and father who attended!)

**SCHOOL PICTURES** – Any school pictures that were not picked up will be sent home with the family mail carriers by the end of this week. Please call the school office if you intend to pick them up yourself and we will hold them for you.

**NEVER BEEN TO THE SAINT SEBASTIAN PARISH & SCHOOL AUCTION BEFORE?** - No worries! We've got you covered! Tickets are on sale now and they are going quickly! \$60 for First-Time Single Ticket and \$120.00 for First-Time Couples Ticket.

Buy now: <https://stsebs.schoolauction.net/auction2018/tickets>

It's going to be a great night filled with old-fashioned fun and many surprises. Wear your Holiday Best and get festive with Seb's friends.

Saturday, December 8

5:30 p.m. Mass (Church)

6:30 p.m. Cocktails & Silent Auction (Gym)

8:30 p.m. Sit-down Dinner & Voice Auction (School Cafeteria)

We would love to see a record number of school parents this year at the largest fundraiser for the parish and school. You can also work the Auction and get in FREE! Sign up to volunteer by emailing [triciazielinski@att.net](mailto:triciazielinski@att.net). We look forward to seeing you on December 8<sup>th</sup>!

Please contribute to grade level auction baskets this week. Your donations are what make the auction so much fun and are much appreciated!

**WELCOME TO THE 2018-2019 BASKETBALL SNACK STAND!** - This season, we will be using Sign Up Genius to create the snack stand schedule! Parents, it will be **YOUR** responsibility to sign up for a time to work using a Sign Up Genius link in the newsletter **NEXT WEEK**. Parents that miss signing up themselves will be filled in for **ANY** open spots. Thank you for helping the snack stand run smoothly by ensuring you show up for your scheduled time! We are looking for any healthy snack stand snack requests/ideas and hopefully a few more ideas that will keep our stand updated. Please email Louise Scott [vandrij@live.com](mailto:vandrij@live.com) with ideas or questions. Go Raiders!

**READ-N-QUIZ UPDATE** - Congratulations to the following student(s) for earning the following points using the ReadnQuiz reading incentive program for 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders. Keep reading!!!!

**5+ Points**

Lilly Morby  
Layla Peterson  
Sam Rebholz  
Isaac Watkins

**10+ Points**

Jonathan Sawyer

**25+ Points**

Maricella Rivera

**75+ Points**

Rowan Watkins

**MAGAZINE/GIFT & KRINGLE SALE** - Home & School's annual fundraiser kicked-off on Monday 11/5. There are two parts to the fundraiser: a magazine/gift sale and a Kringle sale.

- The magazine/gift sale is only online this year:

An information sheet was sent home last week on Monday with instructions for online ordering. Create an account at [gaschoolstore.com](http://gaschoolstore.com) and enter our school ID code 2535623. The magazine company awards Coops (key chains) (1 order=1 Coop, 3 orders=2 Coops, 5 orders=4 Coops, 8 orders=all 12 Coops). The Coops will be passed out at the end of today.

All orders placed by Nov. 19th are eligible for the School Rewards explained below. Families with 15+ orders (by Nov. 19) will receive VIP passes to Sky Zone & Springs Water Park. Any questions, please contact Stacey Rebholz at [srebholz@saintsebs.org](mailto:srebholz@saintsebs.org) or Molly Ambrose at [mambrose@saintsebs.org](mailto:mambrose@saintsebs.org).

- The Kringle sale:

All Kringles are \$10. This is a pre-pay sale, so be sure to collect payment for orders when placed. The paper order forms are due by Nov. 28th with full payment. Please note, checks are to be made out to St. Sebastian Home & School (not St. Sebastian School as noted on the information sheet in the packet). Pick-up for Kringle orders is Dec. 15th from 3-6pm in the Church Hall. For questions, please contact Katie Suminski at [mcdoogle@wi.rr.com](mailto:mcdoogle@wi.rr.com).

- A Buy Out option is available for \$50 per student.

Please send a check to the office made out to St. Sebastian Home & School in an envelope labeled "Fundraiser Buy Out."

- School Rewards: Sell 5 items (5 magazine items, 5 Kringles or combination of both fundraisers (ex. 1 magazine, 1 gift item, & 3 Kringles)) and receive a dress down pass. Sell 10 items (magazine/gift, Kringle or combination) and join the root beer float party. All Buy Out participants are included in both the dress down pass and root beer float party.

Next Home & school committee meeting is 11/28 at 5:30 in the teachers' lounge. All are welcome!