This Coming Week

March 16 - SMC & SWC: Super student jean day
March 17 - SJC: Mass at 8:35 a.m., SMC: Mass at 8:40 a.m., SWC: Prayer service at 11:10 a.m., SMC: Stations of the Cross at 2:30, last day to order 4 P's for April
March 21 - 8th grade parent/student basketball game at 2:15 p.m., H&S Culver’s Night on Grandview Blvd. 5-8:00 p.m., School board meeting 6:00, (Open for parent discussion 5-6:00 p.m.)
March 22 - Non-uniform day

Kovaleski's "Key" Notes

Lenten Reflection
March 15, 2017
by Kathleen Cepelka

“Can you drink the chalice that I am going to drink?” Matthew 10: 22

Who of us would not avoid, if we could,

life’s daily tensions,
heartaches,
inconveniences,
and hurts?

Who would not want to live in

a world without pain?

Instead,

we’re called each day

to take up crosses we didn’t choose
and cups of suffering we didn't order or anticipate.

On this, the third Lenten Wednesday,

we pray for the courage
to accept and drink

the chalice of whatever wine—

bitter,
sweet, or dry—

we may be offered today,

remembering that wherever we are and in whatever we do

we are one in Christ.

Lisa Kovaleski, Principal
Waukesha Catholic

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Weekly News

**Maintenance Appreciate Day**

Today we celebrated MAD (Maintenance Appreciate Day) at all of our campuses. We are so grateful for all the work they do!

**Upcoming Lock-down Drill**

Waukesha Catholic has a strong commitment to the safety of its students and staff. For that reason, each year, we rehearse the steps that are taken in the event that our buildings need to enter a lock-down. On Tuesday, March 28th, we will be conducting our annual lock-down drill. In the days preceding the drill, the teaching staff will be reviewing with the students the steps that we take during a lock-down and the reasons why we go through this exercise. If you have any questions, please contact any member of the administrative team.

**Lent Alms Giving**

Students are encouraged to bring in donations to support Global Partners Running Waters, Inc. (http://www.globalpartnersrunningwaters.org) We will be utilizing raindrops to symbolize the dollar amounts collected over the Lenten Season. One raindrop = $1.00 earned. As of Tuesday our school has collected $1,093! People in Guatemala need our help to pipe clean water into their villages. Waukesha Catholic can make clean water a reality “ONE” village at a time. We will continue collecting until Easter break!

**Kindness Matters T-Shirts**

For all the wonderful acts of kindness we’ve seen during the lent season, we will be having a Kindness Matters T-shirt day on Thursday, March 30th. You may be out of uniform this day if you wear you Kindness Matters T-shirt!
Home & School-Culver’s Night
Home & School will have a Culver's Night on Tuesday, March 21st. This fundraiser will be held from 5-8:00 p.m. on Grandview. H&S will receive a portion of all sales during this time. Come out for dinner and support our school!

SCRIP-Gift Cards with Purpose
With the Lenten season here we have some Scrip ideas for you! Red Lobster and Mitchell's Fish Market (order under Landry's, Inc), Maggiano's, and Noodles are places to use Scrip! Are you itching for spring break? Plan ahead with Scrip to help budget your next vacation. You will help your school and earn tuition credit with each Scrip order. Get started today at ShopwithScrip.com and like them on Facebook. Email Keri at scrip@waukeshacatholic.org with any questions on how to sign up.

Tuition Assistance Application Online
The Tuition Assistance application deadline is April 14, 2017. If you want to apply for tuition assistance and have not completed the application, please go to this link for the website and further information. For information in Spanish go to this link.

Wisconsin Parental Choice Program
The Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP) allows students to attend participating private schools if certain eligibility criteria are met. The private school, on behalf of the pupil’s parent or guardian, receives a state aid payment for each eligible student. The open application period to apply for the WPCP begins February 1st and goes until April 20, 2017. According to the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction website: A student qualifies for the WPCP on the basis of their residency and their family income, if applicable. Students must reside in a Wisconsin school district, other than in the city of Milwaukee and Racine Unified School District.

Please review the following links for more information on income eligibility, frequently asked questions, and the online application form.
Parent Brochure Link Here
Parent Spanish Brochure Link Here
Frequently Asked Questions Link Here
Frequently Asked Questions Spanish Link Here

Online Application: http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/choice-programs/student-applications

Should you have any questions regarding the School Choice program please do not hesitate to contact Meghan Gorzalski at mgorzalski@waukeshacatholic.org.

Family Stem Night
Attention Waukesha Catholic Families! Mark your calendar for Waukesha Catholic Family STEM Night on Wednesday, April 26th from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Campus.

- All Waukesha Catholic Families are encouraged to attend.
- Students need to be accompanied by a parent - it’s a night to explore STEM challenges as a family.
- Have some fun and challenge your design skills with these STEM explorations:
- Rollercoaster Challenge
- Paper Cup Challenge
- Paper Chair Challenge
- Straw Rocket Challenge
- Straw Boat Challenge
- Creative Sculpture Challenge

- Check out 6th, 7th, and 8th grade projects
  - Dragsters
  - Energy Models
  - VEX machines/pull toys

We hope you will plan to join us for our Family STEM Night.

Please note: We could use your help to make this a great evening for everyone. Here are some of our needs:

- Snacks and drinks to sell during Family STEM Night
  - Proceeds will go to continuing and improving our STEM program
  - Students who are available to sell snacks can earn a service hour
- Supplies needed for challenges
  - Straws, Duct tape
  - Pipe cleaners, Pennies
  - Tinfoil, White cardstock (scrap is good)
  - Plastic wrap, Masking tape

Please contact Kathy Egan or Kelly Di Tulio if you are able to help provide snacks and/or any of the supplies listed. kegan@waukeshacatholic.org or kditulio@waukeshacatholic.org

Calling All Carpenters!

As part of our effort to provide teachers and students with multiple, flexible seating options in our classrooms across all three of our campuses, we are looking to equip some of our classrooms with student workstations like the one pictured above. These “tower tables” were built by the maintenance department of an area school district. From what we’ve been told, they are very popular with the teachers and students who use them.

To help with this project, the person who built these graciously supplied us with the parts list and plans for building them! What we need, though, is someone with wood-working experience who would be willing to build 7 to 9 of these by the start of next school year. Compensation would be available for the individual or individuals who help with this project.

If this is something for which you would like to help us out with, please contact Mr. Heinecke at 262-896-2930 x331 or jheinecke@waukeshacatholic.org.
**BASKETBALL**
The basketball uniforms were due last week. If you have your child’s uniform at home, please contact me as soon as possible so I can know when your child will be dropping it off to me. Again, we are trying to get away from them being dropped off at the school offices. Thank you for your understanding.

**TRACK**
The deadline for track sign-up is Friday, March 24th. The first practice will be on Thursday, March 30th. Please go to the Athletic website to find all the information you will need regarding track meets.

**Knights Spiritwear**
Spirit wear ordering is open for the track season! Please click on the following link to order - Spirit wear ordering Deadline is March 24th!

http://www.kmsportsusa.com/waukesha-catholic-spiritwear/

This is not part of the school uniform but we encourage your support for our school teams!

**Miscellaneous**
The Waukesha Catholic Athletic Board will be looking for new board members to fill open positions for the next school year, starting in July. The position is for a two year term. If you would like more information please contact Mark Hickok at mark.hickok@milwaukeetool.com. Thank you.

If you any other questions or concerns, please contact Jeremy Greasby at athleticdirector@waukeshacatholic.org.

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**Parish & Community**

**City Wide Lenten Schedule**
The city-wide services during lent are at this link, from Ash Wednesday through Easter.

**Florentine Opera Company & Family Tales by the Fire: The Billy Goats Gruff**
Join the Sharon Lynne Wilson Center for the Arts on Saturday, April 1st from 6-7 p.m. for our last Tales by the Fire performance this season! An after-school game of hide-and-seek is ruined for three billy goat friends when a big bully blocks a bridge, preventing them from returning home. As each goat chooses how to deal with the conflict, all three learn how compassion can turn a would-be adversary into a new friend. Based on scenes from the operas of Mozart, Donizetti, and Rossini, this operatic version of The Billy Goats Gruff performed by Florentine Opera Company reminds audiences of all ages that kindness is contagious. Tickets: $11, discounts for groups of 10+, buy tickets today at 262-781-9520 or at www.wilson-center.com.
St. Joseph Campus
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Included in This Week’s Packet
Chaperone Request Camp Minikani Grade 6 Only- link to form

Attention Parents Of Eighth Grade Students Participating In The Washington, D.C. Trip
The final parent meeting for the Washington, D.C. trip will be held on Monday, March 27th from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the St. Mary Parish Community Room. Due to the amount of important information that will be shared at the meeting, students and at least one of their parents should plan to be in attendance.

Box Tops for Education Update
Our “Build a Snowman” Box Top contest is over. The 6th graders completed their whole snowman with all ten pieces. They will have a non-uniform day on THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017!!!!!

Are you ready for March Madness? That’s our next contest. For every 10 box tops turned in, your class will score 2 points. The class with the most points will be crowned the champion and win a tournament treat!!

Students vs. Parents, Coaches and Teachers Basketball Game
Our 8th grade basketball teams will be playing against their coaches, parents, and teachers on Tuesday, March 21 starting at 2:15 p.m. in the gymnasium. Come join us for some fun!

Stations of the Cross
On Wednesday, March 29th and Tuesday, April 11th Stations of the Cross will be held in the church at 11:00 a.m. Families and other guests are welcome to attend!

St. Joe’s FUN Lunch Coordinator Needed
We are looking for someone to take the lead for the FUN Lunch program at St. Joe’s Campus beginning next year. This is a unique program for the students at St. Joe’s. Twice a month the students can order a FUN lunch that comes from vendors in Waukesha. These vendors include: Subway, Golden Chicken, Taco John’s, Murf’s Custard, and Arby’s. Most of the coordination takes place in August and September when all the orders are processed and letters are sent to the vendors.

We are in need of a new coordinator or co-coordinators to take the lead over the program. Responsibilities include: setting lunch dates (May), contacting vendors and confirming prices (June or July), creating the August letter and order form (July). Besides working with the parent volunteers, you work with Assoc. Principal, Joe Heinecke, and Admin. Assistant, Debby Dunk. Most of the work is done in August and September: collect completed order forms and money, tabulate order totals, print reports for the coordinators, print lunch cards, schedule parent volunteers, coordinate supplies and send totals to vendors.

Please contact Effie Frank at evfrank@wi.rr.com or 262-513-8151 if you are interested and would like more information regarding this volunteer position.
**Box Tops News**

Our “Build a Snowman” Box Tops contest has ended. The 1st, 3rd and 5th graders completed all the pieces to their snowmen. They will have non-uniform day on Thursday, March 23rd.

Are you ready for March Madness? That’s our next contest. For every 10 Box Tops turned in your class will score 2 points. The class with the most points will be crowned the champion and win a tournament treat!

**Attention 5th Grade parents - St. Joe’s FUN Lunch Coordinator Needed for Next Year**

St. Joseph is looking for someone to take the lead for the FUN Lunch program at St. Joe’s Campus beginning next year. This is a unique program for the students at St. Joe’s. Twice a month the students can order a FUN lunch that comes from vendors in Waukesha.

Please contact Effie Frank at evfrank@wi.rr.com or 262-513-8151 if you are interested and would like more information regarding this volunteer position.

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**Upcoming Events**

- **Thursday, March 16th**: Super Student jean day
- **Friday, March 17th**: School liturgy, 8:40am, 5-1
  - Stations of the Cross, 2:30pm, 3rd grade in church
- **Tuesday, March 21st**: Culver’s Night on Grandview, 5:00-8:00pm
- **Wednesday, March 22nd**: Non-uniform day

**Included in Today’s Packet**

Box Tops sheet
Almsgiving
We have had fantastic participation in our Global Water Project – THANK YOU. We have more than 175 drops of water on our cloud! But we still have a ways to go to turn our wall BLUE! Let’s keep moving toward bringing clean water to families in Guatemala.

Kohl’s Wild Theater
The Zoological Society of Milwaukee and Kohl’s Cares will be presenting their program: *What We Eat* next Friday, March 24th. The program begins at 9:30 a.m. in the gym, and is open to all our Waukesha Catholic families. The skits are informational about animals and conservation. The program lasts 30 – 45 minutes, including a question/answer time. All are welcome; please join us if you are able!

On April 28th, parents of St. William Campus students are invited to join us for a morning of prayer, refreshments, and classroom activities! Please make note of this date so that you can plan to join your child at school on the 28th! (Parents visit until about 10:15 a.m.)

Looking Ahead
March 17th – Prayer Service at 11:10 led by Mrs. Kelly’s K5 class
March 24th – Kohl’s Wild Theater – *What We Eat*  9:30 a.m.
March 29th – K5 Field Trip to the Milwaukee County Zoo
March 31st – K3 & K4 Field Trip to the Betty Brinn Museum