

January 13, 2023

**Small school. Big heart.**



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A Message  
from the  
Principal

### **Celebrating 8th Grade Girls BB!**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this long weekend provides a nice break after the re-entry to school and work since Christmas.

Teachers were hard at work on our Accreditation process today. We are finalizing our reports and goals for the next cycle, and will have our materials assessed by an External Visiting Team. The Visiting Team is comprised of five principals who will spend February 28 and March 1 examining our materials, visiting classrooms, interviewing teachers, and providing feedback on our reports and School Improvement Plan. Please keep us in your prayers as we proceed toward that visit.

I have not yet received the tuition rates for the 2023-2024 academic year, but I suspect an increase in light of additional costs. Please remember to consider the Catholic Education

Fund as a source of aid. To apply, complete the Grant and Aid form from your FACTS account by Friday, February 3. The CEF is prioritizing families who do not qualify for EdChoice Scholarships, but still demonstrate some need.

The CEF will again offer scholarships to students NEW to St. Bernadette and Catholic education. This includes preschool and kindergarten. Details to come.

EdChoice renewals and new applications will open on February 1.

We will open registration on Gradelink for the 2023-2024 school year as soon as all financial information has been uploaded to the site. Stay tuned for more details!

Please refer to the articles below to learn more about Catholic Schools Week and parish programs on the horizon and remember to visit the volunteer buttons, too!

Blessings,

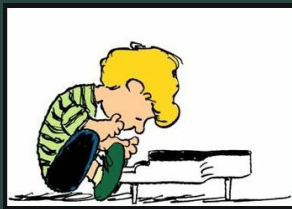
Mrs. Ingram



## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Information Packets and forms will go home next week. Here's a preview of all that's ahead.

- Sunday, January 29: Open House (by appointment) 12 - 2:00 p.m.
- Monday, January 30: Special Persons to Lunch Day.
- Tuesday, January 31: Student Council at Cathedral for Mass in morning, Living Rosary for the whole school in the afternoon.
- Wednesday, February 1: Aiming Higher assembly with Tom Sparough - juggler, storyteller, and religious educator.
- Thursday, February 2 - Teacher appreciation luncheon and Dodgeball games by House teams.
- Friday, February 3 - All School Liturgy at 8:15 followed by bowling at Cherry Grove Lanes. Pizza for the whole school!



## **GIVE THE GIFT OF MUSIC in 2023!**

*A special message from Mrs. Lana*

Music is VERY analytical, greatly enhances critical thinking, and improves math scores and self-confidence! Kickoff the new year with Piano Lessons with Mrs. Lana. Special discount for our St. Bernadette students ONLY! Contact Mrs. Lana for

details about registration, screening, learning materials, and scheduling before space runs out! [llana@stbernadetteamelia.org](mailto:llana@stbernadetteamelia.org)



**Friday, Jan. 13** - No School - Teacher inservice

**Monday, Jan. 16** - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - No School

**Sunday, Jan. 29** - Open House

**Jan. 30-Feb. 3** - Catholic Schools Week



## All Volunteers and Staff must register with SafeParish™

Instructions for setting up your SafeParish™ account are [HERE](#).

New to volunteering? You start by opening a SafeParish™ account, get the needed on-line training, and learn about any required background checks. Click on the link to get started!



## LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR AREA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS

MCNICHOLAS HS  
MOELLER HS  
ST. XAVIER HS  
URSULINE ACADEMY  
ST. URSULA  
MT. NOTRE DAME  
ROGER BACON HS  
ELDER HS  
MERCY MCAULEY HS



## Set up your Titan Account for school lunches.

Lunches are provided through West Clermont School District and are made on our premises. **Lunches are \$3.00 this year.**

To set up your account, you will need your child's school ID number. This is the same ID number seen on your child's Gradedlink page.

You should be able to create your **Titan account**, load the **PaySchool account** and **apply for free or reduced priced lunches.**

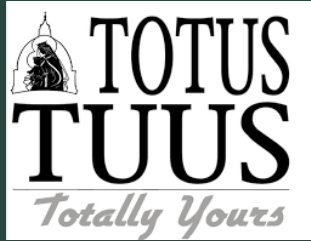


## You May Be Eligible

Even families who don't receive government subsidies can be eligible for Free or Reduced Priced lunches. Go to your Titan account and click on "Meal Application." Click through the form until you are able to note your income or other qualifying circumstances. Although families receiving SNAP benefits are automatically eligible, they still have to apply every year. Make sure you've taken advantage of this service, if you are able.

**Apply for free or reduced priced lunches.**

# Church News



## TOTUS TUUS 2023

Seems incredible, but we are preparing for Totus Tuus 2023. Teens meet Sunday June 11 – Thursday June 15, 2023, 7:00pm-9:00pm and Children Grades 1 – 6 meet Monday June 12 – Friday June 16, 2023 from 8:40am-2:30pm. Full SE6 Parish Pot Luck is Wednesday June 14, 2023, 5:15-6:15pm in the St Bernadette Gym. This is a full SE6 Parish event, so we will have room for 150 children and 80 Teens. We will need approximately 100 volunteer adults and four host families from the 4 churches of our SE6 Parish to make this work for all.



## SUMMER FESTIVAL

Thank You to those of you who have already stepped forward to help with our 2023 Festival. If you are still prayerfully considering what you might do to help make our “Celebrate Life at the St. Bernadette Festival a success, please join the group and volunteer! We **need Your Talents**. The Festival in 2023 will be on Friday and Saturday, August 18th and 19th, 2023. Please contact Mike at: [faithformation@stbameliaparish.org](mailto:faithformation@stbameliaparish.org) if you will be willing to be a big part of our big success!

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### Help PTO with School and Parent Events!

This button will take you to a sign up form...All kinds of help is needed...everything from helping to set up a concert to organizing an event. A few of these may require SafeParish registration. [Click here to add](#)

**PTO and School Event Assistance**

### Supervise Students During Lunch Periods

Lunch supervision is a big help to the teacher in the cafeteria! Requires SafeParish registration.

**Cafeteria Assistance**

### Recess Volunteers

This service requires SafeParish registration. Get your steps in and spend a half hour from 10:00-10:30 for morning recess, or about an hour during lunch recess. Your presence will increase playground safety by giving the teacher on duty another pair of eyes, and the kids will love seeing you there!

**Playground Patrol**

## Quick Links

[Lunchroom volunteer sign-up](#)

[Recess volunteer sign-up](#)

[St. Bernadette volunteer sign-up](#)

[Newsletters/Handouts](#)

[2022-2023 School Calender](#)

[Parent/Student Handbook](#) *under revision*

[Parish Website](#)

[To set up Lunch Instructions](#)

[Free and Reduced online application](#)

[PTO](#)

[Schoolbelles \(code S1952\)](#)

[Gradelink](#)

[FACTS Login](#)

[Remind Sign-up](#)

[Virtues in Practice \(at home materials - Year 3, Year of Charity\)](#)

[Kroger Rewards](#)

[Box Tops Bonus App](#)

[1n5 Foundation \(great mental health information\)](#)

[Mind-Peace \(to find mental health providers - click on "Search for Providers"\)](#)

[Beacons of Light - Pastoral Planning and Parish Families](#)

[SafeParish instructions](#)

## **COVID-19 LINKS**

[\*\*Ohio COVID Vaccine Program\*\*](#)

[\*\*Get the Shot Ohio\*\*](#)

[\*\*Search Available Vaccine Sites\*\*](#)

[\*\*Myths and Facts: COVID Vaccine\*\*](#)

[\*\*Cincinnati Children's COVID site\*\*](#)

[\*\*Clermont County Public Health\*\*](#)

If you or your child is exposed to someone with COVID, wear a mask for 10 days. If symptoms develop, assume you are positive for COVID and start the isolation period. If you remain symptom free, test on Day 5. If the test is negative, finish out the remaining 5 days wearing a mask. If you test positive, begin your isolation period.

If a parent is positive, it is important to isolate away from your child(ren) at home, otherwise you continue to expose the child to COVID and the mask wearing will continue 10 days past your last date of infection. (yikes) Children who are close contacts should absolutely stay in school and stay masked for 10 days. Teachers will also be masked whenever they are a close contact.

***We have a modest supply of rapid tests. Call the office if you need one.***



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