

January 7, 2021

# SAINT BERNADETTE SCHOOL

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*Good Evening,*

## **MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

In the Catholic Church, we continue our celebration of Christmas through the Baptism of the Lord, which occurs this Sunday, January 10. Although I took my tree down already (it was so dry!), there are a few remnants of the season in my home to keep the Christmas season alive. I hope you had a restful and happy holiday break, and are still enjoying some of the "glow" of the season, and the joy we find in Christ's birth.



## **COVID INFORMATION NEEDED**

It is very important that we are able to keep good statistics on the incidences of COVID in our school community from **December 20 - January 8**. Some families have contacted us about positive test results, or needing to quarantine, but **we need to hear from everyone, either way**. Please complete this **SHORT SURVEY** so we can track the overall health our school community experienced during the break.

## **REMOTE LEARNING UPDATE**

We greatly appreciate the support and supervision parents are providing during this week of remote learning. I am personally very grateful for the work this faculty has

put in to make it possible, too. We are all looking forward to having your student in the building on Monday! Hopefully, our families are noticing any exposure to the virus from the holiday by now, or have continued to quarantine and observe good protocols. Keeping our teachers healthy is the key to keeping the school open for classroom instruction.

## GOOD NEWS

After tracking the COVID virus in school communities, Governor DeWine's researchers have confirmed what we have been experiencing St. Bernadette: Student-to-student transmission of the virus is extremely low in schools using strong protocols. Because we are doing such a good job, we will no longer be required to quarantine close contacts IF their exposure was limited to the classroom or the school bus and masks were worn. This will greatly reduce our need to send children home.

Please note: The environments with the most spread are those where masks are *not* worn. Students who are on sports teams, have been to a birthday party or sleepover, attended a family gathering or who attend any other outside activity will still need to be identified as close contacts and be quarantined if exposed to the virus in those kinds of situations.

## NOT-SO-GOOD NEWS

We are continuing to provide lunches via parent volunteers. West Clermont School District will not be able to take over our kitchen until next fall, so your help is still needed and very much appreciated. If anyone has time first thing in the morning to gather the lunch order data and print/sort tickets, it would save your principal at least an hour of lunch-related administrative detail every day. Knowledge of Excel or Google Sheets is needed, and the ability to come into the building to print, cut and sort the tickets before 9:30 is also part of the deal. Mrs. Ingram will train you. :) Please send an email.

## LAST...

Thank you so much for the generous gift I received from the St. Bernadette community, and for the sweet individual gifts from several of you. As always, I feel privileged to serve as your principal, and you helped me have a lovely Christmas.

*Blessings on your evening,*

*Mrs. I*

Data Used to Support In-Person Learning						
1 <sup>st</sup> Metric: Clermont County		2 <sup>nd</sup> Metric: Clermont County		3 <sup>rd</sup> Metric: School data		
7 Day trend of Daily New Cases	Goal: <10	Percent of COVID tests that are positive	Goal: <5% (CDC) <3% (Harvard)	Cumulative St. B COVID-19 cases	Isolated (sick)	Quarantined (well) Current
10/04/2020	6	10/04/2020	4%	0	0	2 (close contact)
↑ 10/11/2020	13	10/11/2020	4%	0	0	11 CC
↑ 10/19/2020	18	10/19/2020	4%	1	1	13 CC
↑ 10/26/2020	22	↑ 10/26/2020	4.9%	3	3	25 CC
↑ 11/5/2020	27	↑ 11/5/2020	5.8%	5	2	8 CC, 3 Post Travel
↑ 11/9/2020	35	↑ 11/9/2020	6.2%	6	3	15 CC, 3 PT
↑ 11/11/2020	45	11/11/2020	6.2%	8	4	29 CC, 4 PT
↑ 11/16/2020	58	↑ 11/16/2020	13.0%	10	3	12 CC
↑ 11/22/2020	72	↑ 11/22/2020	14.1%	11	4	8 CC
↑ 11/30/2020	73	↑ 11/30/2020	14.8%	14	4	35 CC
12/3/2020	No data	12/3/2020	No data	16	6	32 CC
↑ 12/7/2020	78	↑ 12/7/2020	15%	17	3	18 CC
↑ 12/13/2020	94	12/13/2020	15%	18	2	8 CC
↓ 1/4/2021	83	1/4/2021	15%	18	0	4 CC

**BACK THE BINOEDERS BENEFIT HAS BEEN SCHEDULED!**

*Help us support this family as they face a devastating illness.*



We are hosting a benefit for the Binoeder family on February 27, 2021. WE NEED YOUR HELP to make this benefit a success! The benefit will consist of a basket raffle and bid and buy. Please consider donating something such as an assembled basket, gift cards, lottery tickets or a large item. We have provided an Amazon wish list for ideas, you may purchase from this list or you can assemble your own basket and drop it off at St. Bernadette (please label "Binoeder benefit"). If you are interested in donating an item or have questions please contact Casey Cornett ([caseyannc3@gmail.com](mailto:caseyannc3@gmail.com)) or Katie Kossel ([nkukth@yahoo.com](mailto:nkukth@yahoo.com) or 513-608-0118)

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3KCJZODRGU30Y?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3KCJZODRGU30Y?ref_=wl_share)

- **Prayers** for Marcus, Heather, Ben and Jenna are continuously needed. Visit the Grotto in prayer, or go online and offer a **Rosary**, start a **novena to St. Peregrine**, speak from your heart, or simply offer to God any sacrifices you make during the day to the Binoeder's intentions and needs.
- **Meal Train for The Binoeder Family**. The unique link associated with this Meal Train is: <https://mealtrain.com/6wo1wk> Click on the link to sign up to bring the family a meal.



#### LOOKING AHEAD...

- **Thurs, Jan 7** - LaRosa's Pizza Challenge
- **Mon, Jan 11** - Classes resume IN-PERSON

#### ON THE HORIZON...

- **Mon, Jan 18** - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- **Catholic Schools Week Jan. 31- Feb. 5**

### What does it really mean to quarantine?

Quarantining is more than just staying out of the school building. A child who is quarantined may not interact with the public at all, and should wear a mask at home most of the time, especially if he or she has a caregiver who is vulnerable. Children who are quarantining should not be in stores, playing with others outside, or engaging with anyone outside their household until the quarantine is over. They should keep their distance from other members in their household as much as possible.

### What does it mean to isolate?

Isolation requires removing a student from the rest of the family in the home. Caregivers should wear masks when interacting with the child and the child should wear a mask, too, even to enter a common area in the home. Disinfectants should be used liberally, and care should be taken to avoid "ongoing exposure" with other family members. When one family member is sick, normal quarantine lengths can stretch into 24 days for the rest of the family if isolation cannot be achieved.



Please join us for the  
**St. Bernadette PTO**  
**Pizza Challenge Night!**

Classes go head-to-head to see who can raise the most money and the winning class gets a pizza party!

Order Delivery or Carry Out from Amelia LaRosa's on  
**Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup> 2021.**

LaRosa's will donate 15% of the proceeds to the  
**St. Bernadette PTO!**

Please mention your Teacher's Name when ordering and present this flyer to a LaRosa's Team Member at pick up or delivery.



**WE LOVE**  
  
**OUR VOLUNTEERS**

**CAN YOU HELP AT LUNCH or RECESS?**

We have a great need, and anything you can offer will be appreciated.

We need volunteers to assist us with lunch distribution. This is an easy volunteer task! Any day you have to offer helps us and we only need you from 11:00-12:30. Working from home? Maybe you could squeeze us in? Sign up for **LUNCH HELP**.

Teachers are eating lunch everyday with their students and supervising on the playground, too, thanks to the pandemic. We could really use some help on the playground so that teachers can get a bit of break at lunch time. Please click **HERE** to sign up for playground help. Virtus required.

**Quick Links**

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| <a href="#">Lunch Volunteer sign-up genius</a>  | <a href="#">Virtues in Practice (at home materials - Year I, Year of Faith)</a> |
| <a href="#">Recess Volunteer sign-up genius</a> | <a href="#">Kroger Rewards</a>                                                  |
| <a href="#">Newsletters/Handouts</a>            | <a href="#">Box Tops Bonus App</a>                                              |
| <a href="#">Parent/Student Handbook</a>         | <a href="#">1n5 Foundation (great mental health information)</a>                |
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