



St. Francis Borgia Catholic School

NEWSLETTER

December 15, 2011

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Please check the school's website for detailed calendar of information.

Friday	Dec 16 th	6AB School Mass	Church
Monday	Dec 19 th	Green and Red Day	School
Tuesday	Dec 20 th	Last day of school	
Saturday	Feb. 18 th	Auction From the Heart	Hilton Garden Inn Park Place, Milw.

*** COMMENTS FROM THE PRINCIPAL ***

Dear Parent and Guardians,

I would simply like to take this time to wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and Blessed New Year. Each morning we pray for all our families and will continue to remember you in the New Year.

We have received a few calls regarding the end of Christmas Break. School resumes on the 2nd of January. While we have been made aware of the fact that this is the legal holiday, school will resume on this day.

I hope you enjoy the holiday with your families. I wish you the best in 2012

Kelly

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

Lunchroom Volunteers Needed!

We are looking to fill the remainder of the school year calendar. Volunteers are needed January-June! I also need people that would be willing to come in on Mondays in December! Please call Sue Brauer at the front desk at 262-377-2050 or e-mail her at brauers@archmil.org to schedule days. Thank you!

Athletic News

Congratulations to the Boys 8th Grade Basketball team for winning their bracket and taking 2nd place overall in the St. Boniface Tournament last weekend. We are very proud of you all! Go Knights!

Out of Uniform - Green and Red Day

The Student Council is sponsoring an out of uniform day on Monday, December 19th for the whole school. If you wish to be out of uniform, please donate a canned good or an item from the list below to Family Sharing Food Pantry of Ozaukee County. All items are distributed free of charge, directly to those who are in need in Ozaukee County.

Items always needed: Dish soap
Ketchup
Toilet paper
Tooth paste
Jams and Jellies

New School Family

Please join us in welcoming Kathryn Herkowski and her family to St. Francis Borgia School. Kathryn will be joining the 3K program beginning on Monday, January 2nd. Their family information is included below for your SFB School Directory:

Mr. & Mrs. Joe (Andrea) Herkowski
Kathryn 3K

7450 Western Avenue
Cedarburg, WI 53012
414-405-1402

alolson25@yahoo.com

Fall Book Fair News

Thank you to all of the parents, students, and faculty who supported our Fall Book Fair. As a result of the tremendous turn out, the book fair made a profit of \$1434.96. The funds will be used to purchase books for the library.

Thanks to all the wonderful volunteers who helped make the book fair a success. We could not have done it without your help.

The Library Committee and Mrs. Harding

Total Life

The reflection below is from **Christmas: Spiritual Thoughts Series by Pope Benedict XVI.**

May the final week of Advent bring a waiting heart, eager to be filled with awe of God's love. He sent Jesus, His only son, as a baby into the world. That baby would grow up to die on a cross for our sins.

That is how much God loves us.

"Waiting"

The question is: Is the humanity of our time still waiting for a Savior? One has the feeling that many consider God as foreign to their own interests. Apparently, they do not need him. They live as though he did not exist and, worse still, as though he were an "obstacle" to remove in order to fulfill themselves. Even among believers—we are sure of it—some let themselves be attracted by enticing dreams and distracted by misleading doctrines that suggest deceptive shortcuts to happiness. Yet, despite its contradictions, worries and tragedies, and perhaps precisely because of them, humanity today seeks a path of renewal, of salvation, it seeks a Savior and awaits, sometimes unconsciously, the coming of the Savior who renews the world and our life, the coming of Christ, the one true Redeemer of man and of the whole of man.

---Pope Benedict XVI, General Audience December 20, 2006

Classroom Wish Lists

If you are looking for a small way to give back to our teachers who do so much for our kids, grab a wish to fulfill! Check out our Classroom Wish List hung in the school lobby. Each pocket is labeled with a teacher's name and holds a handful of items that they have personally requested. The pockets will be updated throughout the school year. When you make your purchase, please email me, so I can remove the item(s) from the list. This will eliminate duplicate purchases and might save you a trip back to the store!

Classrooms of the Week: 8A & 8B

8A Mrs. Rieboldt:
Black Ink Cartridge (HP #56)
Color Ink Cartridge (HP #57)
Used Flat Screen Monitor for Computer

8B Mrs. Stecklein:
Small giveaways for students of all ages for random acts of kindness
Antibacterial Hand Sanitizer
Bottled Water
Flags of the World

If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Ehrmantraut Brobst at (262) 573-9983 or rbrobst@wi.rr.com

Hospitality Committee

Grade-Level Parent Socials

***Only one grade remaining for a social, how awesome!
Grade 3***

Many Thanks to the families we have so far who have volunteered to host a Social

Scheduled Socials

The **Garni/Kennin** families have scheduled their 4th grade social on January 14, 2012
The **Conrardy's** 4K social is scheduled for January 14, 2012
The **Baye/Kluck/Carr** families have scheduled their 7th grade social for January 20, 2012

Watch for upcoming details on these events!

The **Cook/Gustafson** families will co-host the 3K social
The **Schuele** family will host the 1st grade social
The **Ehrlich/Creten** families will co-host the 2nd grade social
The **Mulcahy/Kass** families will co-host a combined 6th and 8th grade social

Families hosting this year will earn **8** fundraising hours!

If you're interested in or just have questions about hosting or co-hosting an event for your grade, please contact, Nadine Perry at nadine-ashleigh@att.net or 262-375-1862.

SFB is now on Facebook and LinkedIn!

Visit SFB's Facebook page and LinkedIn Group through the links below!
(These sites were set up to be used by adults, not current students. Join our group and network!)

<http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/St-Francis-Borgia-School/2730446293913833>

<http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=4074715&mostPopular=&trk=tyah>

Parent Commitment Hours

Parent Commitment hour updates are going out in family mail this week, so please look for them. If you have all of your hours in already (and there are many families who do!) you should receive a letter stating that. If you do not have all of your hours in, you should receive a sheet stating how many hours you've completed thus far. Please contact me if you have any questions or see any discrepancies (Nicole Monet: nrmonet@wi.rr.com or 262-247-0714). I did notice one mistake after the hour sheets were printed. At the bottom it should say, "This Statement reflects record sheets received via family mail as of December 8, 2011."



The Tablesetters ...

So that all may have a place at the Table

*****MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** Christmas outreach at the nursing home in Cedarburg: **December 21st**. More information to follow soon.

Following is the schedule of Tablesetter Meetings for the rest of the school year. Please add the dates to your new 2012 calendars. Meetings will continue to be joint meetings from 3:30-4:30pm.

January 16

February 13

March 12

April 23

May 21 (Wrap-up Party)

Newsletter Notes

Anyone with information of interest to the students and families of St. Francis Borgia School is invited to submit it to the SFB School Newsletter. Please e-mail your submissions **as an attached word document** to Julie Nowacki at office@sfb-school.org. Please mark your item "Newsletter" and include your name, contact information and the dates that you would like your article to appear. Items for consideration must be submitted by 12:00 pm on Tuesday, January 3rd to appear in the January 5th Newsletter. Individual organizations' flyers not affiliated with the school, parish, or archdiocese, will be made available in the office provided that copies are supplied to us. Please note that any parish and community information is provided as a courtesy and for information only. These activities are not organized nor sponsored by the school. Consequently, St. Francis Borgia School is not responsible for their content.

*****FUNDRAISING*****

We Need Your Beer and Wine Donations for the Auction!

Do you have a favorite wine that you tell everyone they must try? How about a favorite microbrew? If so, please consider donating beer or wine for this year's raffle at the auction. You can bring your donations to Sue Brauer at the front desk and Barb Snell will collect them. It is an easy way to contribute

Attention all Artisans & Crafters!

Please donate one of your unique creations to the new area of our school auction, "Buy It Now!" Your time and creativity are extremely valuable, so we ask each contributor to mark the item(s) with a specific price. Auction goers can purchase the item for the set price and take it home the same night! If the item does not sell for the designated price, it will be returned to you. Donations are sought by the end of January. Items can be dropped off at the front desk or pick-up can be arranged; please mark your item(s), "Buy It Now" and include your name, phone number and item price.

For more information or questions, please contact Laura Lindemann, [262-376-0604](tel:262-376-0604) or llindemann@wi.rr.com.

Scrip Program

SCRIP LOCAL- Many local Cedarburg/Grafton retailers support SFB by offering us discounts on their cards. We appreciate their support! Shop local at:

- Amy's Candy- 5%
- Cedarburg Coffee Roastery- 5%
- Citgo- 5% (**ONLY GOOD** for Cedarburg location or Grafton on HWY 60)
- Fiddleheads- 10%
- Frozen Ropes- 10%
- Glaze- 5%
- Highland House- 20%
- HUB- 15%
- Leap of Faith- **20%**
- Out & Out – 8%
- Robin's Paperie- 10%
- Romano's Pizza- 20% (cannot be used with other coupons)
- Sendik's- 5%

Most of these cards are available at the front desk.

Volunteers are needed to sell gift cards during the busy month of December in the school lobby- mornings and afternoons. We are flexible and no experience needed! Please contact Colleen at abbyandmom@sbcglobal.net for information. Thank You!

Reports- when running a family profit report on www.shopwithscrip.com please note that the "date of purchase" on the report will not match your actual purchase date. For example, cards bought between 5/1-9/2/11 are listed with a "purchase date" of 11/5+11/6 on the online reports.

Special offers- ONLINE PURCHASES ONLY are offering the following specials (most run 12/3-12/16):

- Cabela's- 3% bonus profit (13% vs. 10%) and now available on ScripNow!
- Starbucks and iTunes- 2% bonus profit
- Bass Pro Shops- 5% bonus (14% vs. 9% profit)- only through 12/9/2011
- Land's End- 2% bonus (18% vs. 16% profit)- only through 12/9/2011
- Williams Sonoma, Pottery Barn and PBTeen- 2% bonus (10% profit vs. 8%)
- Lowe's- 2% bonus profit (6% profit vs. 4%)
- Applebees- 2% bonus profit (10% profit vs. 8%)
- Bath & Body- now available on ScripNow at 13% profit
- Groupon- now available on ScripNow at 7% profit
- DSW Shoe Warehouse- NEW retailer with 9% profit
- Taco Bell- NEW retailer with 5% profit

See all specials online under "What's New" at <http://www.shopwithscrip.com/whatsnew/index.aspx>.

CURRENT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Volunteer Coordinators:

Jody Napoleon

(262) 365-1795

jodynapoleon@earthlink.net

Lisa Burger

(262) 618-2054

lisaburger4@yahoo.com

PARENTS...CHECK OUT ALL THE WAYS YOU CAN VOLUNTEER!

Please feel free to contact one of us for further information.



Cookie Elves (fundraising hours)

Contact: Courtney Haggerty at courtneyhaggerty482@yahoo.com or

Melissa Cooley at scooley6@wi.rr.com

It's once again time to recruit SFB cookie elves! SFB families have a wonderful tradition of sending the faculty off for Christmas break with a heaping platter of Christmas cookies that they can bring home to share with their families. Cookie elves are SFB parents who graciously volunteer to provide a dozen or more Christmas Cookies to be included on platters for school staff and teachers. Cookie elves drop off their cookies off at school on Tuesday morning, December 20th and we take care of delivering the assembled platters.



2012 Mother/Daughter Luncheon Chairperson Needed

There is a great opportunity to meet all of your volunteer hours by chairing or co-chairing this wonderful annual event. This event is in May of 2012 (just in time for Mother's Day). For the past several years this event was chaired by Jennifer Heyne and Julie Cosich, who would be available to the new chair or co-chairs in making sure the information is handed-off and the event is a big success.

If you are interested in chairing or co-chairing this event please contact Sue Ellen Baye at psbaye@yahoo.com or 262-375-4837.



SCRIP Card Gift Program (fundraising hours)

Contact: Colleen at abbyandmom@sbcglobal.net

With the holidays coming, the SCRIP program becomes very busy and we need your help!! Volunteers are needed Monday – Friday between 8:30-10:00 am and 2:30-3:30 pm to sell Scrip cards in the front lobby. Satisfy your fundraising commitment hours and enjoy being a part of the busy school atmosphere! **Please email Colleen for schedule openings.**

SFB VIRTUAL MARKETPLACE

Please see the November 3rd Newsletter for current offerings.

PARISH NEWS

Turkey Trot News

We would like to thank all who participated in the 3rd Annual St. Francis Borgia Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving morning.

The idea of the Turkey Trot was initially born from the desire to see more families participate as a faith community in the Thanksgiving Day Mass and to enjoy fellowship while giving thanks together for all of our many blessings. We have had great success. This year we had over 400 participants in the Trot and with the generosity of our sponsors we raised more than \$4,000.

The dozens of volunteers who registered runners, worked on the course, baked delicious muffins and cookies, and helped clean up afterward, made the Trot a great success.

We would like to give a special thanks to our generous sponsors: Dr. Kurt Kwiatkowski, DDS; Dr. Dave Bogenschutz, DDS; Gauthier Biomedical; Newman Chevrolet; Joe Bell Allstate Insurance; Mulcahy Shaw Water Inc, Sharon Cutwell, and Fiddleheads. These sponsorships allowed us to keep this event affordable to families while still enabling us to make a substantial contribution to St. Francis Borgia. Thank you!

We would like to thank the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Department and Cedarburg Emergency Government volunteers who made the run a safe and enjoyable family event.

Each year the run has grown and surpassed what we initially believed it could be. We hope to keep this tradition going strong at SFB in the years to come.

We hope that everyone who ran this year will be back again next year, and bring a friend.

Sincerely,
The Turkey Trot Committee

COMMUNITY NEWS

The following organizations have information on registration and their organizations available in our school office:

CEDARBURG "MATDOGS" KIDS WRESTLING CLUB REGISTRATION MATERIALS (SFB PARENT JEFF PROM, COACH)

MILWAUKEE CHILDREN'S CHOIR REGISTRATION INFORMATION

STAGEKIDS, SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL