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St. Katharine Drexel School Cougar News

Upcoming Events

- 12/8 ~Second Sunday of Advent
~Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Observed 12/9/19)
- 12/11 ~Grades 1-3 Sing for Catholic Women / 10:30 a.m. / Mission Hall
- 12/12 ~Christmas Program / 1:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.
- 12/16 ~Preschool Christmas Program
- 12/17 ~8th Grade sees A Christmas Carol/ Pabst Theater
~4K Christmas Program Day
- 12/19 ~Grades 5K-3 Sing at the Manor / 1:30 p.m. / Hillside Manor
- 12/21-1/1 ~Christmas Vacation
- 1/2 ~Classes Resume
- 1/16 ~End of 2nd Quarter
- 1/20 ~Teacher In-service / No Classes
- 1/21 ~School Advisory Committee / 7:00 p.m. / St. Patrick's Room

New Tuition Credit Incentive

Be sure to check out an exciting new way to earn credit toward your cost of tuition. Starting this school year, (retroactive to July 1, 2019) 50% of the profits that your Scrip purchases make for SKDS can be **credited to your school tuition for the following school year!** Starting this school year, that revenue will be split 50/50 between SKDS and your tuition balance for next year. Here is an example: if a family purchased just \$100.00 each week of Kwik Trip gift cards (with a 5% revenue rate) for 52 weeks, the profit would be \$260.00. Fifty percent (50%) of this (\$130.00) would be credited to their tuition statement the following school year. This is a great opportunity to significantly reduce your tuition costs by simply buying SCRIP, which costs nothing!

Principal's Corner

Join us for our Christmas Program

Date: **Thursday, December 12**

Time: 1:00PM & 6:30PM

Place: School Gym

Join our students K5 through 8 & Our faculty & staff as we celebrate our school wide Christmas program.

Featured are the **SKDS Band** and **Vocal Programs.**

Looking forward to spending time with you as we present...



Doors

Open at

12:15 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.

Please enter through the Gym Lobby Doors Or the Inner Court Doors.

Once again DVDs of this year's Christmas program will be available for purchase. We are currently awaiting the license agreement from Little Big Stuff. More information will follow soon. The videos will not be available until sometime in January.

What's Happening During Advent at SKDS

Early Childhood will read/tell/act out the Christmas story and then present it to their families (The classes concentrate on the individual characters, emphasizing the role each played in the Christmas story.), track the progression of the angel and baby Jesus counting down until Jesus is born, make Christmas cards, read stories about Jesus' birth from different points of view, tell, read, act out, and use flannel board pieces to tell the Christmas story, create "toilet paper tube characters" to add to each child's Nativity scene and practice acts of kindness with peers.

Kindergarten will share an Act of Kindness calendar both in the classroom and at home, use an Advent sight word reader, be visited by "Our Shepherd" (similar to Elf on a Shelf), and make gifts for their families and buddies.

First Grade will use daily readings from a Christmas prayer book, share weekly kindness ornaments at home and at school, continue with their Gospel Weeklies and reflect on the Jesse Tree.

Second Grade will use an Advent Calendar with Random Acts of Kindness, have a classroom Advent Wreath, read Bible Verses for Advent and Christmas and participate in activities sent home on a December calendar that they can read/do as a family. Each day, a student will unwrap a book which the teacher will read read-aloud during the day.

Third Grade will use an Advent calendar from Good News for children, say a daily prayer for others (Daily Advent message from Brother Francis ~ Formed), make an Advent light, make a stained-glass window out of crayons (and use them to create a window display, Jesus is our Light!), participate in the Jesse Tree and readings from the Bible, make weekly ornaments as a sign of promise to do a good deed at home and school, make presents for families, and read the stories *Mary's First Christmas* and *The Legend of the Candy Cane*.

Fourth Grade will create an Acts of Kindness calendar together for Advent, read and reflect on different Scripture verses each day of Advent, create Community Service Blessing bags for police officers and fulfill their Advent Promises.

Fifth Grade will make Advent Wreaths, Gift Certificates for family members, create personalized Jesse Trees and work with an Advent Kindness Calendar.

Sixth Grade will say special prayers to start the day, which are about the history of Jesus' family, and the end of the day prayers will center on Christmas traditions. We will also be using a daily calendar with good things to do to help us open our hearts and lives to coming of Jesus on Christmas. We will also be participating in the Builder's Club project.

Seventh Grade will say Advent prayers and reflections to begin our day. We will also be completing Advent journal prompts to deepen our reflection and understanding of the Advent season. The seventh grade will also participate in daily Advent activities, in which they will keep track of and reflect upon. We will also be participating in the Builder's Club project.

Eighth Grade will prepare and lead the Advent Prayer Services for grades 4-8, read and journal about [A Christmas Carol](#) and attend a live performance of the same, prepare and lead Christmas party activities for the primary grades, and use the Best Advent Daily Prayers.

Art students grade 1-4 will be participating in the KC True Meaning of Christmas poster contest.

Music students in the upper grades will provide music for the Advent services as requested. All students are preparing for the Christmas program on Dec. 12.

Spanish students grades 4-8 will participate in "Las Posadas" from Dec. 16 to Dec. 20. Each grade will parade around the school, then visit a designated classroom. In addition, each class will prepare a traditional ornament.

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LAS POSADAS AT SKDS

DURING DECEMBER, THE SPANISH CLASSES WILL BE OBSERVING "LAS POSADAS" FROM DECEMBER 16—20. "LAS POSADAS" REPRESENTS THE JOURNEY OF MARY AND JOSEPH PRIOR TO THE BIRTH OF JESUS. LAS POSADAS ARE CELEBRATED FROM DECEMBER 16—24 MAINLY IN LATIN AMERICA, ESPECIALLY MEXICO, GUATEMALA, CUBA, AND AMONG THE VAST HISPANIC POPULATION IN THE UNITED STATES. DURING "LAS POSADAS", PEOPLE VISIT DIFFERENT HOMES, SUCH AS THE HOMES OF NEIGHBORS, FAMILY MEMBERS, AND FRIENDS. AT EACH VISIT, THE HOST/HOSTESS OFFERS FOOD AND PRAYERS (MAINLY THE ROSARY) TO ALL THE PARTICIPANTS. THE MAIN FOCUS IS TO GATHER AROUND THE NATIVITY SCENE AND THE CHRISTMAS TREE. THE PARTICIPANTS SING, PRAY, EAT, AND VISIT WITH EACH OTHER. THIS IS A TIME TO SPEND WITH LOVED ONES AND BE READY TO CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF JESUS. THE STUDENTS WILL "VISIT" (DURING SPANISH CLASS) OTHER CLASSROOMS AND GATHER AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE OR THE NATIVITY. THEN, WITH THE STUDENTS FROM THAT PARTICULAR CLASSROOM, THEY WILL PRAY A MYSTERY OF THE ROSARY OR ONE OF THE "POSADAS" PRAYERS, EAT A SMALL SNACK, DO A SING ALONG, AND RETURN TO THE SPANISH CLASSROOM.



SEÑORA
CAROLINA GANSKE
SPANISH TEACHER

Athletic Director Needed

We are looking for someone to serve as our Athletic Director at SKDS. Mr. Matt Warmka stepped into the position of Athletic Director two years ago to "fill in" and has continued serving in that position, but is now looking for a replacement. He is willing to train and work with someone through the remainder of this year. If you are interested, please call the school office.

Football Mania Raffle

WEEK 5 WINNERS (11.26.2019)

Ticket #1989 Michael Herbrand, Grafton, WI
Ticket #520 Brian Ambrosius, Beaver Dam, WI
Ticket #2009 Daniel Jakubowski, Milwaukee, WI
Ticket #1150 Kim Hopp, New Holstein, WI
Ticket #122 Tracy Gundert, Beaver Dam, WI

Random Winner – Jen Jacobson, Kewaskum, WI

Football Mania Raffle

WEEK 6 WINNERS (12.03.2019)

Ticket #751 Dan Meagher, Randolph, WI
Ticket #1901 Al Felt, Sun Prairie, WI
Ticket #1921 Paula Tomashek, Beaver Dam, WI
Ticket #1209 Richard Hupf, Beaver Dam, WI

Random Winner – Jennifer Stehling, Beaver Dam, WI

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 4:30PM

SUNDAY 8:00 & 10:00AM &
12:00 noon (Spanish)

See you at Mass.

SKDS on Facebook and Instagram

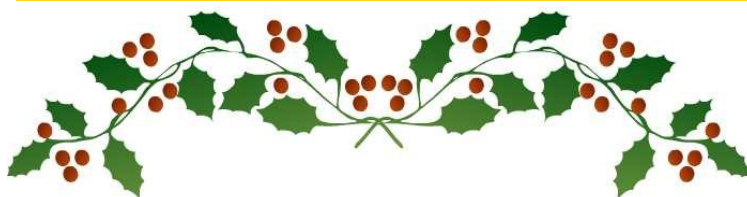
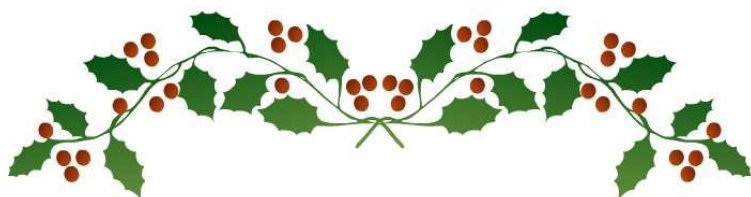
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Let Us Pray For...



- Our Pastors Fr. Mike and Fr. Erick
- Our Pope Francis
- Our Archbishop Jerome E. ListECKi
- Those who are serving our country in the Armed Forces & our Veterans
- Police Officers, Fire Fighters, EMT's and all those who risk their lives on our behalf
- Those who are suffering as a result of drug crisis, those addicted and their families and friends
- Those who are dealing with natural disasters: drought, flood, hurricanes, earthquakes, and fires
- Refugees fleeing difficult situations
- Our students and their families
- All those placed in our school prayer list and on our parish prayer chain
- The success of the renovation of our church
- Those who are in most need of our prayers
- Peace in our world
- The family of Mrs. Ganske in Bolivia, during this time of civil unrest

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

- ~A friend of Ms. Lockwood who is dealing with brain cancer.
- ~ Angeleen Buske, daughter of Mary Strauss, who had surgery.
- ~Mrs. Elaine Meyer, who broke her leg.
- ~The brother-in-law of Ms. Hoch.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

- ~May perpetual light shine upon all the souls who have died this past year!

WE PRAY IN THANKSGIVING:

- ~For all of the blessings that we have received this past year!

Box Tops News

If you see this label, use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt. Box Tops are still worth 10¢ each for your school. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online. See www.btfе.com for more information.



SCRIP News



Annual Scrip Goal: \$50,000
Profit to date: \$ 19,474

Shop at the same stores every week? Simplify your shopping by placing a standing order for Scrip. The scrip cards will come home in the Family Folder on Thursday. Return a check in the Family Folder on Friday and shop all weekend!

See the flyer for information on the Shop-WithScrip.com Dec 5 & 6 special promotions!

Scrip coming home this week: Weekly, Week #1

Go to www.shopwithscrip.com and check out the videos that show you how to purchase SCRIP right from an app on your phone.

Scrip office can be reached at **887-2082 EXT. 306** or scrip@stkatharinedrexelbd.org



Help our organization by shopping your holiday gift cards December 5 and 6

For the first time ever, every family in our organization can buy their gift cards through ShopWithScrip for the holiday season. During these 2 days only, shop 750+ top brands using your credit card without paying the online fee.

There's no long-term commitment. Just buy your holiday gift cards through this program so our organization can benefit.

2 days of giving back

- Sign up using our enrollment code and shop on December 5 and 6—no long-term commitment
- No fee when paying with a Discover, Mastercard, or Visa credit card
- For every gift card you buy, you give back to our organization—now that's holiday cheer!
- Physical cards are delivered to your coordinator

No fee to pay with a credit card thanks to:



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