

APRIL 2026



NEWSLETTER



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THIRTY-ONE

WESTSIDE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

GOOD FRIDAY

Jesus' cry from the cross, "I thirst," captures the divine and human pathos of Good Friday. All of us know what thirst is. When I imagine the scene, I recall a thought that has haunted me over and over again from seeing images of tremendously malnourished women holding their babies: What must it be like for a mother to hear the cries of her hungry baby, and be unable to provide food for her child? This is what Mary is going through at the foot of the cross. This is what the Father is experiencing as well – he, too, is unable to meet the needs of his own son at this moment. These words declare that Jesus, the Son of God, had so completely been stripped of everything, even the help of his father and mother, that his thirst could not be alleviated.

Did Jesus' cry stop here? Did Jesus only mean that

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he longed for something to drink? Or was he thirsting for something much more? If we can hear Jesus' cry and allow these two words to reverberate in the hollow of our being, we might be able to hear in the echo an invitation that might lead us to that reality that we all long for: connection with God.

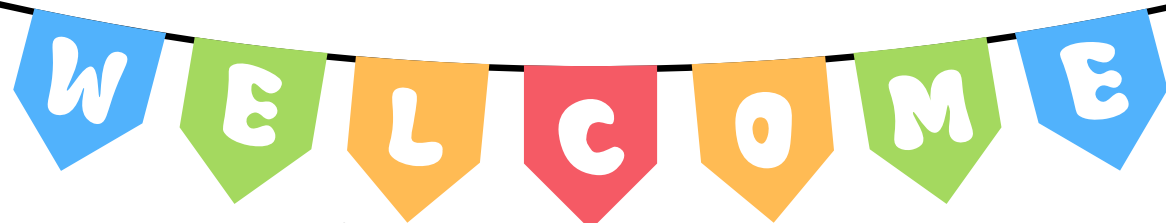
I thirst. Most of us tend to avoid admitting how empty we feel. It's too painful to go into the depths of our being and be with ourselves for any length of time. Most of our life is filled with distractions that defend us from the emptiness. If for a moment we reflect on our reality, we might have to admit that all our telling ourselves we are in control is just a way of drowning out the fact that life is very insecure. The "security" of our lives is based on so many variables that can crumble at any moment. Beneath our public veneer is an unconscious terror that we keep at bay with a tremendous amount of psychic effort.

Jesus' ability to cry out "I thirst," tells us that he was in touch at a very profound level with his emptiness. He may have been expressing the thirst he felt for the restoration of the ruptured relationship between his Father and us. He may have been thirsting to taste once more the food of the kingdom of heaven, where he would enjoy the presence of his Father – and ours.

Summer Care for 2026
Westside Catholic School – St. Agnes Campus
Preschool– Entering Grade 5

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[REGISTRATION PAPERWORK!](#)





We are excited to welcome two new teachers to our Westside Catholic School family for the 2026–2027 school year!

Mrs. Emily McDaniel will be joining us as our 3rd grade teacher, and Ms. Katie Jo Hirsch as our 2nd grade teacher.

We are so grateful for the gifts and talents they bring and can't wait for our students to learn and grow with them.



Welcome to WCS!



Weekly menu

Monday	Tuesday Papa Johns Pizza Uncrustable Kit Yogurt Kit Ham & Cheese Wrap green beans fresh veggies fruit milk	Wednesday Chicken Drumstick/ Biscuit Uncrustable Kit Yogurt Kit Chef Salad mashed potatoes with country gravy parmesan broccoli fresh veggies fruit milk
Thursday Sausage Cheese Biscuit Uncrustable Kit Yogurt Kit Chef Salad tater tots fresh veggies fruit milk	Friday St.B- Teriyaki Beef Dippers St.A- Pretzel with Cheese Uncrustable Kit Yogurt Kit Ham & Cheese wrap peas sweet potato fries fresh veggies fruit milk	

No School
Good Friday
APRIL 3
Easter Monday
APRIL 6

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Our 8th grade students presented a Living Stations of the Cross. Through a reverent reenactment of each station, they helped bring the story of Christ's Passion to life, offering a meaningful and visual reflection for all who attended.

Link for photos and a video from the Saint Agnes Campus presentation.

[CLICK HERE](#)

DRESS CODE REMINDERS

We have recently noticed an increase in students not following the uniform dress code. Please take some time over the long weekend to review the guidelines below from the handbook and ensure your student has the appropriate uniform items for school.

Girls

Navy or khaki uniform pants or shorts, or navy, khaki, or plaid skorts, skirts or jumpers. No brand names visible, no extra pockets, zippers or loops, no outside stitching, no flared bottoms or capri length permitted. Pants must fit properly and be worn at the natural waistline.

Navy, red, or white long or short sleeved polo shirt or turtleneck. Must be solid color and no brand names visible. A solid white uniform blouse may be worn. All shirts must be tucked in at all times.

Boys

Navy or khaki uniform pants or shorts. No brand names visible, no extra pockets, zippers or loops, no outside stitching, no cargo pants permitted. Pants and shorts must fit properly and be worn at the natural waistline.

Navy, red, or white long or short sleeve polo shirt or turtleneck. Must be solid color and no brand names visible. All shirts must be tucked in at all times.

Belts

Navy, black or brown - Belts must be solid in color and not have accessories or embellishments. A dress belt must be worn with pants and shorts that have belt loops at all times.

Sweaters

Navy, red, or white cardigan, v-neck or crew neck. No hoods, no zippers or extra trims or designs. Uniform polo shirt, blouse, or turtleneck must be worn underneath and collars must be visible.

Fleece Jackets

Black or navy fleece zipper jackets with the gold WCS logo may be worn (Artex or Southwest Grafix). Uniform polo shirt, blouse, or turtleneck must be worn underneath and collars must be visible.

Socks

Navy, red, white, black, gray or tan ONLY. Socks must be worn at all times and should be visible. Trim colors are acceptable but must also be navy, red, white, black, gray or tan if visible. Girls may also wear solid navy, red or white tights.

Shoes

Casual or athletic only - Shoestrings must be tied. Trendy styles such as boots, CROC's, sandals, clogs, and platform shoes are NOT allowed, toes and heels must always be covered.

Hair

Hair should be kept clean and properly styled. Hairstyles bordering on the extreme (multiple colors, braids, beads, shaved, mohawks) will not be permitted. Boy's hair may not touch the collar in the back, should not be over the eyes, and should not be below the ear on the sides.

Jewelry and Accessories

Jewelry may include a (non-smart) watch, bracelet, necklace, ring, and religious metal. Girls may wear one small pair of earrings. No dangles or large hoops.

SPIRIT WEAR TOPS - Friday of each week is Spirit Wear Day

FREE DRESS - First Friday of each month

FEATURED 8TH GRADER

DAWSYN SHAKE



Hobbies: Gaming and playing kickball

Favorite food: chicken with GrillMates seasoning

Favorite teacher: Mr. Garrett

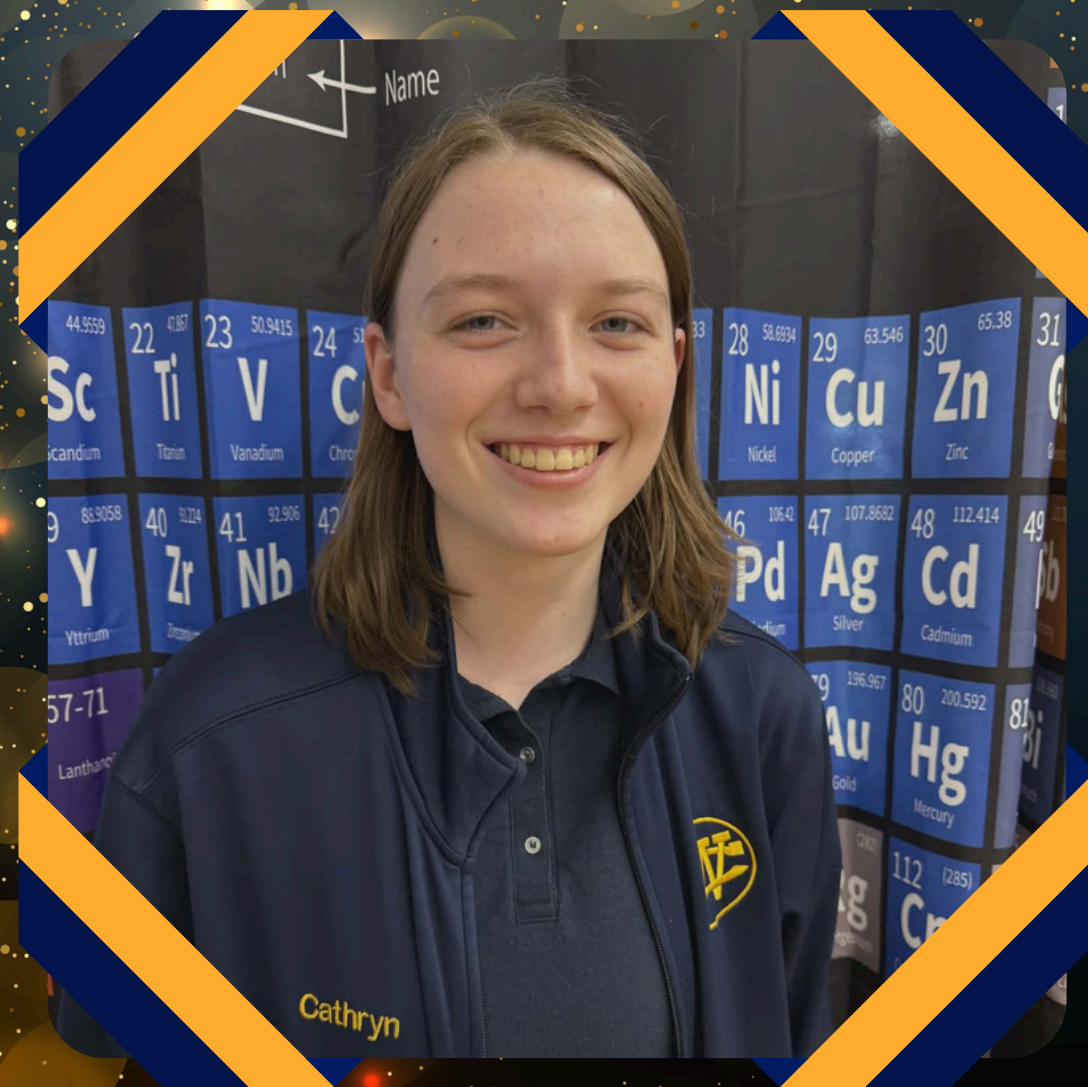
What do you want to be when you grow up:

Civil Engineer

What do you like best about Westside Catholic:

My class

FEATURED 8TH GRADER



CATHRYN RODENBERG

Hobbies: Sleeping, drawing, reading, video games, hanging with cousins

Favorite book series: The Warrior Series

Favorite teachers: Mr. Pate & Mr. Garrett

Favorite class: Social Studies

What do you like best about Westside Catholic School: "Everyone I know is here"

Most of the fliers are “clickable” on the PDF version of the newsletter and will direct you to a larger image of the flier, the associated website, or the forms that are needed.

SCRIP

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ST. BONIFACE PARISH SCRIP PROGRAM AGREEMENT

allows you to purchase scrip cards from participating retailers. These cards generate rebates for our parish. Families can decide where 50% of the rebates they earn will be applied. If no choice is made, the total goes to the general fund. Grandparents and friends can also sign up to give 50% to another family (i.e. for tuition, etc.) Anyone may sign up for scrip online but for the distribution this form must be filled out and returned to the parish office for the scrip coordinator to enter. (egree@evdio.org)

REBATES EARNED WILL BE USED IN THE FOLLOWING WAYS:

- 10% will be retained by the scrip program for running cost (printing/handling, paper, etc.)
- 40% will go to St. Boniface Parish General Fund.
- 50% will go as a contribution to ONE of the following: (PLEASE CHECK ONLY ONE OF THE CHOICES BELOW)
 - ___ TUITION CREDITS FOR THE FOLLOWING WCS FAMILY: (Please list the name of the family) _____
 - ___ WCS SCHOOL LUNCHES FOR THE FOLLOWING FAMILY: (Please list the name of the family) _____
 - ___ HALD TUITION ASSISTANCE FUND (set up for WCS families needing help with tuition)
 - ___ MISSION PROJECTS (Halt, St. Vincent de Paul, Habitat, Helping Hands, etc.)
 - ___ ST. BONIFACE GENERAL FUND * default if no other is selected.
- 5% as a cash rebate to you personally.

TOTAL: 100%

SAVE THE DATE

SAINT BONIFACE

BONANZA

JUNE 5, 2026

O'DAY DISCOVERY LODGE AT BURDETTE PARK

WESTSIDE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Bobcats

SPIRIT WEAR
ONLINE
ORDERING LINK -
STORE CLOSSES
MAY 1ST AT 9AM

PTO Officers Needed

CONTACT
Call, text, or email with questions

CONTACT
Abby Zenthoefler
call, text, or email
Phone #: 812-486-7020
Email: abbyzenthoefler@gmail.com

SEE ATTACHED
Please use the attached form to nominate yourself or another WCS parent.
The election will be held during the PTO meeting on Tuesday, April 14.

OPEN POSITIONS
ST. AGNES CAMPUS CO-VICE PRESIDENT (2-YEAR TERM)
ST. BONIFACE CAMPUS CO-VICE PRESIDENT (2-YEAR TERM)
CO-TREASURER (2-YEAR TERM)
CO-SECRETARY (2-YEAR TERM)

ELECTION INFORMATION
All open position descriptions are attached, and the officers typically have an extra meeting the week before each regular PTO meeting. With the exception of the president, no experience is necessary to be an officer since newly elected officers will be partnered with current officers who will help guide them!

FORM RETURN
Please return all completed nomination forms to the school office at either campus by **Monday, April 6.**

Westside Catholic School
2026-2027 Year

August September October
November December January February
March April May

August 6: First day of school
September 7: Labor Day - No School
September 22: Saint Boniface Grandparent's Day
October 9: End of first quarter
October 9, 12, 13: Fall Break
November 23 & 24: Parent Teacher conferences
November 25-27: Thanksgiving break
December 10: Saint Agnes Christmas Program at 6:00
December 18: End of second quarter
December 21-January 3: Christmas break
January 4: Classes resume
January 18: Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No School (Potential make-up day)
January 25-29: Catholic Schools Week

February 10: Ash Wednesday
February 12: Professional Development Day
Early dismissal at 12:15
February 15: President's Day - No School (Potential make-up day)
February 25: Saint Agnes Grandparent's Day
March 12: End of Third Quarter
March 22-26: Spring Break
March 29: Easter Monday - No School
April 16: No School (Potential make-up day)
April 28: Professional Development Day
Early dismissal at 12:15
May 18: Pre-Kindergarten Graduation at 10:00 am
8th Grade Graduation at 6:00 pm
May 20: Last Day of School

MATER DEI SOCCER

2026 FEEDER & CUB PROGRAM

REGISTRATION OPENS APRIL 1ST

ONLINE REGISTRATION: WWW.MATERDEISOCCER.COM
 QUESTIONS: MATERDEISOCCER@GMAIL.COM

PROGRAM INFORMATION & CHANGES

- Lil Cats- PreK/K Program will be held Saturday mornings at Resurrection School for the 2026 season.
- 1st and 2nd graders will combine to form boys teams and girls teams this year; there will no longer be coed at 1st grade.
- Cub will only be 7th and 8th graders this year. More information regarding evaluations will be coming.
- Registration costs remain the same as last year, so volunteer participation is especially important.

AGE GROUPS & COSTS

Lil Cats- PreK/K-Coed	\$55
Grades 1&2 - Boys & Girls	\$55
Grades 3 & 4 - Boys & Girls	\$60
Grades 5 & 6- Boys & Girls	\$60
Grades 7 & 8 - Boys & Girls Cub	\$110

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Mater Dei Soccer Club is 100% volunteer-run. Each family is asked to volunteer at least one hour per child they have participating in the program.

Help is needed with Coaching, Field preparation and Concession stand operations during game days.

KEY DATES: (SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO WEATHER)

May 2 - 7th - CUB Deadline to register
 May 31 - Pre K-6 FEEDER Deadline to register
 July 18 - Practices Begin
 TBD - Cub Evaluations
 August 1 - Opening Day of Games
 September 18 - Regular Season Ends
 September 19 - Tournament Begins
 September 26 - Championship Games

NO LATE REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED

ONLINE REGISTRATION: WWW.MATERDEISOCCER.COM
 QUESTIONS: MATERDEISOCCER@GMAIL.COM

MATER DEI

2026-2027

Cheer Tryouts

MON.
4/6

TRYOUT CLINIC
5:30-7:30
PARENT MEETING
@ 7:15 MAIN GYM

TUES.
4/7

TRYOUT CLINIC
5:30-7:30
MAIN GYM

WED.
4/8

TRYOUTS
5:30-?
MAIN GYM

Sign up now!

MATER DEI FOOTBALL

CUB WORKOUTS

6th - 8th Grade

**Great Opportunity
Not Mandatory**

FREE OF CHARGE

SIGN-UP

- Weight Training
- Form
- Technique
- Core
- Plyometrics
- Team Bonding

**TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAY, & THURSDAYS
STARTING FEBRUARY 17TH - MAY 21ST**

6:00PM - 7:00PM

2026

MATER DEI COLOR GUARD AUDITIONS

Clinics: April 28 and 29 from 3-4:30
Auditions: May 5 from 3-4:30

All events will be held in the main gym
 Any student currently in 6th-11th grade is eligible to join!

Wear athletic clothing and bring a water bottle.

Questions? Email Mrs. Carter at mcarter@eudio.org

CAMP ONDESSONK

SPRING FLING

April 11, 2026
 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM

Trail Races | Open House

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Tri-State Orthopaedics
 225 Crosslake Drive
 Evansville, IN
Saturday, April 18th
 8am - 1pm

\$10

Walk-ins only
no appointments

***ALL MONEY RETURNED TO
BENEFIT YOUR RESPECTIVE
SCHOOL***

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**SAINT AGNES
CHURCH**

**THURSDAY - 8:00 AM
SATURDAY - 4:30 PM**



**SAINT BONIFACE
CHURCH**

**TUESDAY - 8:00 AM
WEDNESDAY - 5:30 PM
SUNDAY - 10:00 AM**



**SACRED HEART
CHURCH**

**MONDAY - 7:30 PM
FRIDAY - 7:30 AM
SUNDAY - 7:30 AM**



ADORATION TIMES

**MONDAY - 6:30 PM SACRED HEART
FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH - 8:00
AM - 5:00 PM - SACRED HEART**

GROTTO

SATURDAY - 8:00 AM

LATIN MASS

SUNDAY - 12:00 PM

UPCOMING DATES

- Good Friday, no school - **April 3**
- Easter Monday, no school - **April 6**
- St. Meinrads field trip grades 7 & 8 - **April 10**
- Family luncheon with students - **April 17**
- Family Fun Day 2pm-4pm - **April 19**
- Spring Pictures - **April 22**
- Spring Picture make-ups - **April 23**
- Spring Flower pick up at St. Agnes 10am-5pm - **April 23**



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- Malaya Fisher - 2
- Isaac Hastings - 6
- Miranda Hamilton - 9
- Logan Engler - 11
- Sawyer Allen - 12
- Eli Persinger - 16
- August Luttrell - 18
- Mrs. Arney - 19
- Ansley Vadbunker - 19
- Lucas Carder - 20
- Lucas Condi - 21
- Charles Lovelace - 23
- Lisa Duncan - 24
- Ryder Winters - 24
- Rylan Winters - 24
- Eli Head - 25
- Estelle Bruggeman - 26
- Nora Euler - 27
- Isaac Garnett - 298



ONE FAITH. ONE FAMILY. ONE FUTURE.