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NEWSLETTER



ISSUE NO. TWO

WESTSIDE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

REFLECTION

We continue to focus on being found by God. I happened across this anonymous reflection which gave me pause.

“Living as Found People

Being someone found by God has many implications. I’d like to share two. Remember I told you that the parable of the lost sheep appears in both the book of Matthew and in the book of Luke?

Luke focuses more on evangelism: seeking those who are lost; those who are outside the fold.

Matthew focuses more on restoration of believers who have gone astray: seeking insiders who have wandered from the flock.

Both have implications for us as disciples of Christ – as found people.

The New Interpreter’s Bible Commentary on Matthew reminds us that “...the continuing ministry of Jesus is embodied in his disciples, the church.”

(Volume VIII, p. 377)

As Jesus’ disciples, our objective is to imitate our Master; whether it’s reaching out to people who are far from God or reaching out to fellow Christ-followers who have lost their way. We have been found. Now let’s go find others who are lost.”

Blessings,
Sister Catherine, O.P.

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THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

At the beginning of the year, we give students an opportunity to participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. During the next couple of weeks, Father Christopher and Father Will will be available to share in this sacrament with them. Our non-Catholic students do not participate in this sacrament. However, both priests are available to talk with them individually if a student would like to do this. A student can either let a teacher know or let Sister Catherine know and I will arrange a time for him/her to meet with either priest.



WEEKLY LUNCH MENU

MONDAY

TACO SNACK
UNCRUSTABLE KIT
HAM & CHEESE WRAP
corn
refried beans
fresh veggies
fruit & milk

TUESDAY

PAPA JOHN'S PIZZA
UNCRUSTABLE KIT
HAM & CHEESE WRAP
green beans
garden salad
fresh veggies
fruit
milk

WEDNESDAY

BAKED POTATO BAR/
FAJITA CHICKEN/ CORNBREAD
UNCRUSTABLE KIT
HAM & CHEESE WRAP
broccoli
fresh veggies
fruit
milk

THURSDAY

COUNTRY FRIED STEAK & ROLL
UNCRUSTABLE KIT
HAM & CHEESE WRAP
mashed potatoes & gravy
green beans
fresh veggies
fruit
milk

FRIDAY

STUFFED HASHBROWNS/ SAUSAGE
LINK/ BISCUIT STICK
UNCRUSTABLE KIT
HAM & CHEESE WRAP
tater tots
fresh veggies
fruit
milk

LUNCH PRICES AND POLICY

Westside Catholic School offers free and reduced lunches for qualifying families. It is necessary that you apply for this program; please contact the school office for an application. The meal prices for this year are as follows:

Student: \$3.55

Adult: \$4.60

Reduced: \$0.40

NEWSLETTER TITLE CONTEST

Enter our Newsletter contest! We are looking for a new name for our "Bobcat News." You may write your suggestion on a piece of paper, be sure to include your name and drop it by the school office. You may enter as often as you like until August 22. Let's get our creative juices flowing!!!

JOB OPENING

We are looking to hire an individual to help out in our preschool classroom on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 3:00-4:30. We need someone 16 and older. If you, or someone you know, are interested, please contact the St. Agnes campus at 812-423-9115.

FALL FESTIVAL

Let's raise some funds for WCS Students, Staff, and Families!

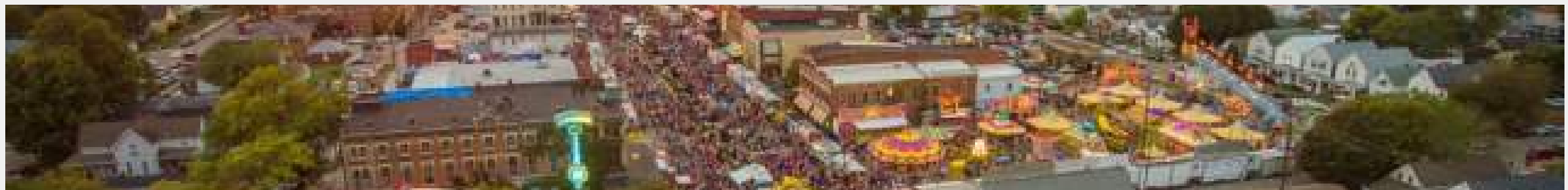
Did you know...?

At WCS, families pay just \$2 for school field trips. Academic and athletic uniforms are provided, and most team participation fees are covered—helping every student be part of the experience.

But that's not all! Throughout the year, WCS families enjoy free events, students take part in special activities, staff are treated to appreciation luncheons, and every classroom receives Christmas gifts from Santa. The Booster Club and PTO also step in with annual donations to support school operations and special projects that make WCS even better.

All of this—and so much more—is made possible by the generosity of the WCS Booster Club and PTO. At many other schools, families spend hundreds of dollars each year on these same things. Here at WCS, we are blessed that our Booster Club and PTO provide them at little to no cost.

To keep making this possible, both groups rely on the success of their biggest fundraiser of the year—the Fall Festival. The Booster Club manages the parking lot at the St. Boniface campus, while the PTO runs two booths on Franklin Street. Every dollar raised goes right back to supporting WCS students, staff, and families in all the amazing ways mentioned above.



FALL FESTIVAL CONTINUED

The link below goes to this school year's Fall Festival SignUpGenius page. This school year, each WCS family is asked to make one of the following volunteer time commitments for these fundraisers:

- Be a chairperson. If you would be interested in chairing part of this fundraiser, please contact one of the booth chairpersons below for more information!
–OR–
- Sign up to cover individual shifts.
 - Families with preschool or pre-K students only are asked to cover two shifts.
 - Families with K–8 students (with or without preschool/pre-K) are asked to cover four to five shifts.

Shifts are available mornings, afternoons, and evenings—on both weekdays and weekends—and include options indoors and outdoors. No experience is needed, and a chairperson will always be there to guide you. If your family is unable to cover your assigned shifts, please arrange for another individual to step in and help.

Questions regarding signing up for shifts? Please contact Melissa Pfafflin (812-449-7820 or mmrobison1@yahoo.com) and she will be happy to help!

Other questions? Please contact one of the main chairpersons below:
Fall Festival Booth Co-Chairs: Kelly Winters (812-483-5381) & Karlee Harris (317-728-9191)
Fall Festival Parking Lot Co-Chairs: Ross Vaughn (812-319-9932) & Caleb Wathen (812-305-4693)

Thank you, again!

[Fall Festival Sign Up Genius](#)

VOLLEYBALL SHOUT OUT

Our seventh and eighth grade girls volleyball team has been hard at work since the beginning of July! Their season started before school even began! Please come and cheer them on at Mater Dei High School on Sundays. Go Bobcats!

8/17- 4:30 Main Gym

8/24 - 1:30 Main Gym

9/14 - 6:30 Main Gym

9/21 - 6:30 Back Gym Court 1

9/28 - 3:30 Main Gym

10/5 - Single Elimination Tourney




**Becky Arney****5th Grade Teacher**


STAFF SPOTLIGHTS

Mrs. Arney has been teaching for 14 years. She has taught everything from pre-k through 6th grade (except 2nd grade.) This is her second year at WCS teaching 5th grade. Mrs. Arney loves it here and is happy to spend her days here teaching! When she is not at school, she enjoys spending time with her husband watching their daughters in their activities. In her down time, her favorite thing to do is read outside in her hammock.



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Becoming One  CHRIST

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A Jubilee Year Event


Building Christ-Centered Families


Saturday, December 6th | 8 am - 4 pm (CST)


Opening Mass with Bishop Siegel | St. Benedict Cathedral
Adult Conference Following Mass | Reitz Memorial HS Auditorium

Featured Speakers


 Bobby & Jackie Angel

 Mark Hart

 Fr. Alex Zenthofer




Ticket \$50
Limited Seating available.
Scan for more information.
Or visit evdio.org/encounter

 Diocese of Evansville
Celebrating the Jubilee Year

Friday Night Bilingual | Featuring
HOLY HOUR Tony Melendez

December 5th | 6 - 7 pm (CST)
St. Benedict Cathedral. No Ticket Required.



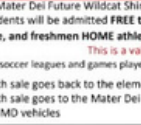
MD Future Wildcat Order Form

When the Mater Dei Future Wildcat Shirt is worn (or Pass—available for grades 5-8—is used) students will be admitted **FREE** to **All Mater Dei High School regular season varsity, reserve, and freshmen MD athletic events, plus ALL theatrical and music events at MD.**

This is a value of more than \$250!

(NOT applicable to city soccer leagues and games played at Bosse Field which are not controlled by the MD Athletic Office)

- A portion of each sale goes back to the elementary school of the Future Wildcat
- A portion of each sale goes to the Mater Dei Athletic Department Transportation Fund for repair and replacement of MD vehicles



(Front of Shirt)

The 2025-26 Future Wildcat Shirt features a red, gold & white design on a dark grey short sleeve shirt.


Please complete and return this order form with payment to your school

NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, AUGUST 15th

Estimated delivery date:
Friday, September 4th

Note: Until the shirts/passes are delivered, your student may wear any Mater Dei shirt to gain FREE admittance to home games.

Upon delivery, only 2025-26 shirts and passes can be used for admission.



Future Wildcat Program Order Form—ONE form may be completed for each family

Circle your school: Corpus Christi Holy Redeemer Resurrection Saint James Saint Joseph Saint Matthew
 Saint Philip Saint Wendel WCS-St. Agnes WCS-St. Boniface

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____ Teacher: _____

Parent Name: _____ Parent Phone Number: _____

Return completed form and payment to your school by Friday, August 15th

PLEASE NOTE: Youth Sizes run small. You may want to choose one size larger.

SHIRTS \$25 EACH Youth Small (6/8) _____ Youth Medium (10/12) _____ Youth Large (14/16) _____

Adult Small _____ Adult Medium _____ Adult Large _____ Adult XL _____ Adult XXL _____

PASSES \$25 EACH—available to 5th-8th grade only Number of Passes _____

Student Name(s) for Pass(es): _____

TOTAL OF ALL ITEMS ORDERED _____ **X \$25** **TOTAL ORDER AMOUNT \$** _____

Cash, Check, or Credit Card accepted (Make checks payable to Mater Dei Future Wildcat Program)

—OR Add credit card info below, a \$3 service fee will be added)

Name on Card _____

Card # _____ CVV _____ EXP _____

Office use only

MIDDLE SCHOOL
DIOCESAN YOUTH DAY

MUSIC FOOD GAMES FRIENDS
 ADORATION SPEAKERS MASS

MUSICIAN
 LEE ROESSLER

SPEAKER
 JIMMY MITCHELL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2025
 NOON - 6:00 PM CENTRAL
 ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, NEWBURGH
 All 6th- 8th Grade Students & Chaperones Welcome
 REGISTRATION INFO COMING IN AUGUST



ATTENTION!

Please stop by the office at your respective campus to sign important paperwork for the Choice Scholarship voucher.

Those that signed it at the Back to School Bash at St. Agnes need to sign one more paper

There is also a packet to pick up if you have not received it yet.



Thank you!



7TH/8TH GRADE DANCE

HOLY REDEEMER

AUGUST 15 2025
 7:00-9:00 pm

WESTSIDE CATHOLIC SCHOOL
PTO MEETINGS SCHEDULE
 FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR

ST. BONIFACE
 6:00 PM

Join us to discuss all things Westside Catholic School! There are many ways to get involved and to get to know your school family!

DATES:

- ✓ SEPTEMBER 9
- ✓ OCTOBER 28
- ✓ FEBRUARY 10
- ✓ APRIL 14

For questions, contact co-presidents:

ABBY ZENTHOEFER 812-486-7020
KARLEE HARRIS 317-728-9191

MATER DEI VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE 2025

RENTZ SCRIMMAGE 8/15 @ 6:00pm AWAY	CENTRAL 8/22 @ 6:30pm HOME	CASTLE 8/29 @ 6:30pm AWAY
VINCENNES 9/05 @ 6:30pm HOME	MEMORIAL 9/12 @ 6:30pm AWAY (HUNGER BOWL)	JASPER 9/19 @ 6:30pm HOME
NORTH 9/26 @ 6:30pm HOME	BOSSE 10/3 @ 6:30pm AWAY	HARRISON 10/10 @ 6:30pm AWAY
RENTZ 10/17 @ 6:30pm AWAY		

Youth First

Meet Your Youth First Mental Health Professional

Lori McIntire MSW, LCSW
 YOUTH FIRST MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL
 Westside Catholic - St. Boniface Campus

EMAIL: LMCINTIRE@YOUTHFIRSTINC.ORG
 PHONE: (812) 422-1014 ext 236
 TEXT: (812) 308-9099

Youth First Mental Health Professionals help students develop essential life skills such as building peer relationships, making positive choices, improving school attendance, utilizing mood management techniques, and developing coping/peer resistance skills.

What services does Youth First offer to students?

- ✓ **One-on-One Support**
Private, individual sessions with students to help them manage life's challenges.
- ✓ **In-School Presence**
Youth First is embedded in the school building to support students and staff on-site.
- ✓ **Group Support**
Small group sessions that help students develop social skills, build self-esteem, manage emotions, and feel supported by peers.
- ✓ **Free & Confidential**
Youth First provides free and confidential services to students with parent/guardian consent.
- ✓ **Classroom & School-Wide Presentations**
Age-appropriate lessons on topics like emotional regulation, kindness, conflict resolution, and mental wellness for all students.

QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUTH FIRST?
 Visit our website to learn more at youthfirstinc.org or call 812-421-8336.

Youth First is here to help students succeed!



**ST. AGNES
CHURCH**

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

SCHOOL MASSES



**ST. BONIFACE
CHURCH**

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

GROTTO

SATURDAY - 8:00 AM



**SACRED HEART
CHURCH**

MONDAY - 7:30 PM
FRIDAY - 7:30 AM
SUNDAY - 10:00 AM

LATIN MASS

SUNDAY - 12:00 PM

ADORATION TIMES

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

STBONIFACEPARISH.ORG

UPCOMING DATES & INFORMATION:

- Italy & Greece trip meeting - August 26 2:45
- No School on Labor Day - September 1
- 8th grade field trip to Audubon State Park - September 5
- No bus service - September 11 and 12

ST. BONIFACE OPEN HOUSE

Thank you for everyone that came out to our St. Boniface Open House on Tuesday, August 12. It was a wonderful success! The halls were buzzing with encouragement, excitement, and joy as families connected with our amazing teachers and explored the school. The evening set the stage for what is certain to be a fantastic school year ahead.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- Aurora Barber - 1
- Cash Lannert - 1
- Mr. Robertson - 2
- Marshall Wetzel - 5
- Laina Vollman - 8
- Ms. Wargel - 10
- Aleksandra Buck - 11
- Madison Condi - 11
- Caroline Clark - 14
- Ella Farmer - 18
- Leo Gries - 18
- Savannah Schultz - 20
- Michiel Rainey - 21
- Joyce Vadbunker - 21
- Gwendolyn Greenwell - 25
- William Lovelace - 28
- Ben Pfafflin - 29



ONE FAITH. ONE FAMILY. ONE FUTURE.