



Sacred Heart Academy's Weekly

NEWSLETTER



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Upcoming Events

March 8

End of 2nd Trimester

March 11

NO SCHOOL—

Teacher in Service Day

March 13

Stations of the Cross—2:30pm—in the church

March 15

Report Cards issued

March 18

Awards Assembly—2:15pm

March 20

Stations of the Cross—2:30pm—in the church

March 27

Stations of the Cross—2:30 pm, New & Used Uniform Sale—2:30 pm—5:00 pm, Band Concert—7:30 pm

Dear Parents,

This past Wednesday, students and staff received ashes during our Ash Wednesday Mass. The ashes symbolize the beginning of the penitential season of Lent. I pray that you find peace during this quiet time in our liturgical year and awake on Easter morning with a renewed and more intimate relationship with our Lord.

It was wonderful to see so many parishioners attending the 7:00 am Mass on Ash Wednesday. However, the timing of Mass letting out caused a traffic back-up at drop off. Thank you for your patience and understanding. A gentle reminder about drop off: Please drive through the lower parking lot when arriving for drop off, and obey the speed limit - 12 mph.

Our Academy devotion of the Stations of the Cross will begin on Wednesday, March 13, at 2:30pm. Students in grades K-8 will participate and all families are welcome to join us. The parish will pray Stations of the Cross at 6:00pm every Friday followed by a meatless Lenten supper in Muldowney Hall at 6:30pm.

Thank you to those who attended last night's PTO meeting. If you were not able to make the meeting, please check the website for the minutes and exciting upcoming events.

Please remember our Charity of the Month - Catholic Relief Services. We will be collecting for CRS at all Friday Masses, Buck-A-Jean Day, and through the CRS Rice Bowls that went home in last week's

Friday envelope. If your family did not receive a Rice Bowl, you need an additional Rice Bowl or need the information in Spanish, please contact the Academy office.

In the mornings, we transform our Multipurpose Room into a reverent place for prayer and reflection. On Tuesday, we will be adding a prayer table for students, staff, and family intentions. In the mornings, battery-operated tea lights can be purchased for \$.50 at the bookstore. The tea lights will be placed on the prayer table for your intentions. All profits from the sale of the tea lights will go to the poor box.

We are very pleased to announce the success of two of our students at the Shenandoah Valley Regional Science Fair. Claudine Bechamps (8th grade) was awarded a bronze medal in Medicine. Sarah Moss (7th grade) was awarded a silver medal in Chemistry and won an industry award. Congratulations, young ladies!

Congratulations to alumnus - Alec Price. Alec will receive his Eagle Scout Award on March 23. We are very proud of his accomplishment!

Please remember there is **no school** for students on **Monday, March 11th**. The teachers have a professional development day.

Please turn in all Yankees Candle orders by Tuesday, March 12th. The proceeds from this fundraiser will go to support

our sports and athletic activities.

Report cards will be issued on Friday, March 15. All are welcome to join us at the Second Trimester Awards Ceremony will be held on Monday, March 18, at 2:15pm in the Multipurpose Room. Students on the High Honor and Honor Roll will be recognized as well as various other awards. If your child has received a special award outside of school, please send a write up to the office about it and we will recognize him/her at the ceremony.

This year Sacred Heart Academy will be hosting the St. Joseph Altar in the Krempa Gym. Please join us after the 5:30 pm Mass on Tuesday, March 19th, for a traditional St. Joseph's Feast. Donations for the feast are being requested. Please log onto Sign Up Genius to donate to our feast table: <https://bit.ly/2VvylHO> and <https://bit.ly/2Vx2W8z>.

The annual PTO Dodgeball Tournament is Saturday, March 23rd. Last year's tournament proved to be a family-friendly, memory-making event. It's not too late to gather a group and form your winning team. Please see the flyer in your family envelope this week.

Finally, remember to set your clocks ahead this weekend. It's time to spring forward!

Blessings,

Erica Palaza

Do You Know?

DIOCESAN TUITION ASSISTANCE

If you would like to be considered for financial aid, the time to apply is now! You must submit a financial aid assessment application and all supporting tax documentation by March 15, 2019. Applications may be completed online at online.factsmgmt.com/Signin. Awards are based on a family's demonstrated financial need. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Anthony-Price at 540-662-7177.

CURBSIDE CUISINE

Wednesday, March 13, is Curbside Cuisine Night. Chef Erin Keller is preparing a delicious meal of meatloaf, mashed potatoes, carrots and a chocolate cupcake. An order form can be found in today's family envelope. Orders must be turned in by Monday, March 11. They can be placed in the black lockbox located on the wall near the front doors of the

Academy.

SCRIP RAFFLE

The SCRIP Raffle has begun, so don't miss the opportunity to win a \$50 gift card of your choice. To enter all you need to do is purchase a \$100 worth of SCRIP grocery or gift cards. For every \$100 purchase, you earn a chance to win. The contest runs until April 1, when the winning ticket will be drawn. Everyone shops, so please consider using SCRIP!

CATHOLIC TUITION RATE REMINDER

Church contribution records will be checked in March to verify active membership. Active members receive a lower tuition rate than non-active or non-parishioners. A family's tuition rate may be adjusted after the review.

LUKE 4:1—13

The reading for the first Sunday in Lent tells us about Jesus' temptation by the devil when He was emerging from the desert. He had gone to the desert to pray. He would be facing tremendous difficulties and He was drawn there to totally focus on His relationship with the Father and to gather strength. Even though Jesus was the Messiah, the devil still tried to tempt Him. The devil offered Jesus seemingly everything, power and glory, but, He trusted in the Father and refused the devil. God, the Father, was Jesus' refuge and fortress and Jesus trusted in God's love for Him. This reading offers us hope for the hard times that we encounter. We need to know and trust that God and His love are with us in those times. So, as we enter into our own Lenten desert, let us throw off worldly distractions and take the time and space to hear the voice of God telling us of His great love for us. This will provide the strength we need when we encounter evil.





STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Beginning on March 13, Academy students and staff will be participating in Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays, at 2:30pm in the church during Lent. All are invited to join us in this Lenten practice.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Has your child been given an award or recognition outside of school such as becoming an Eagle Scout that you would like to share? The Academy would like to acknowledge any student that has received a personal recognition outside of school. So, if you would like to share the information with us, we'll be sure to make known that achievement through our assemblies, newsletters and website.

NEW & USED UNIFORM SALE

The New and Used Uniform Sale will be held on Wednesday, March 27. A representative from Flynn & O'Hara will be here to measure and take orders for spring uniform items. Order forms may be picked up at the Academy office. If you have any clean, usable uniform pieces that you would like to donate or sell, please have them to the Academy by Friday, March 15. If selling, please attach an envelope with the amount you would like for the piece (Academy keeps half) and your name.

IS IT REALLY MARCH ALREADY?

Have you made your summer camp plans yet? Summer At Sacred Heart has over 68 camps available from which to choose, including the newly-added MINECRAFT! Visit www.sashcamp.org to reserve your spots today! Check out our "Dates and Rates" page to see our affordable rates. Call 540-808-2736 for more information, or email snetko@sacredheartwinchester.org.



Pictured above and to the left are the Academy participants in the regional science fair held at James Madison University. Sarah Moss won the silver award in Chemistry and an industry award. Claudine Bechamps won the bronze award in Medicine. Congratulations!

SCRIP PROGRAM

Don't forget that when you shop with SCRIP, Sacred Heart Academy receives a percentage of every gift card you purchase and it only cost you the face value of the gift card! You can order using the enclosed list in your Friday Folder and return it to the office on Monday. Or, you can shop with SCRIP online at www.shopwithSCRIP.com. Our school code is: 75BLSE674734. Happy Shopping! ***P.S. Please remember the SCRIP Raffle that is ongoing. Every \$100 purchase of SCRIP will give you a chance of a \$50 gift card of your choice.***

YANKEE CANDLE SALE

Don't miss the opportunity to support the PE/Athletic programs by participating in the Yankee Candle Sale. Catalogs were sent home a couple of weeks ago. Besides candles you can find many other types of gift items for others or yourself! All orders must be turned in by Tuesday, March 12. You can also order online. So, please take a look at the offerings and think of all those times coming up that you may need a little something i.e. Easter, showers, weddings and graduations. Additional catalogs are available in the Academy office.



DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT

The Academy's 3rd annual dodgeball tournament will take place on Saturday, March 23, beginning at 6:30pm in the Krempa Gym. So, it's time to assemble a team and register to participate in the tournament. Rules and regulations can be found on the flyer in your family envelope this week. Registration and fees are due by Monday, March 18. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Ricketts at crickets@sacredheartwinchester.org. See you there!



ST. JOSEPH'S ALTAR



On Tuesday, March 19, our parish will be hosting a St. Joseph's celebration complete with a St. Joseph's Altar. But, as with any large celebration, much help is needed. If you would like to volunteer or donate food for the altar, please go to the Sign Up Genius websites that are provided below. This is another opportunity to fulfill your service hours requirement. To volunteer—<https://bit.ly/2Vyy1HO> and to donate—<https://bit.ly/2Vx2W8z>. Thank you for your support and please, plan to have your family come and join in this celebration.



We pray. ❤️ We study. ❤️ We serve.

