

# The Bulldog Bugle

St. Bartholomew Catholic School

January 17th, 2025



Budgeting and registration go hand in hand for Catholic Schools. Did you know that 100% of our families receive financial assistance? This is because the true cost to educate a child here is \$12,000, but the tuition we charge our families is only \$5,950. The cost to educate a child in the public school is usually close to \$15,000 and is covered by taxes. This year in the registration process, families are invited to help cover the difference between the tuition charged and the actual cost to educate a child. While we understand that most families are not in a position to help with the difference, if you are and you are willing to pay a bit extra, it would be greatly appreciated. This is certainly an optional opportunity and those who can afford it are encouraged consider making a donation to offset the difference.

The difference between the tuition charge and the actual cost of educating the students is covered by our fundraising efforts and the parish investment in the school ministry. Best practices with the budget for the school is 1/3 of our income is from tuition, 1/3 is from fundraising and grants, and 1/3 comes in the form of parish investment in the school ministry.

Did you know that when we are able to have volunteers help in the lunchroom, at recess and for our various events and activities, it helps us to not have to pay someone to work on the playground or an extra person in the lunchroom. We are so grateful for each family and for your prayers, volunteering your time and your support throughout this current school year and for returning next year!

## **Upcoming Events**

January 20th - NO SCHOOL - MLK Jr. Day

January 24th - NO SCHOOL - Staff Professional Development Day

January 26th - CSW Pancake Breakfast! Wear Uniforms / Volunteer

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### **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2025**

Sunday, January 26 - Friday, January 31

#### SUNDAY

Mass Uniform

#### JOIN US PANCAKE BREAKFAST

K-5 students read, greet and serve at mass and volunteer to serve at the CSW kick-off Pancake Breakfast! Special prizes from Mrs. Vance to all who attend in uniform to help!

#### MONDAY

Sports Day

represent your favorite professional, collegiate, or team you're a part of!

Saint of the Day - St. Peter

JOIN US SOCK TOSS @ 3:00

Bring no more than 12 pairs of **new** socks to donate. Bundle each pair with tape and label with your name for the TOSSING challenge. Make a basket & win a prizel

#### TUESDAY

Flannel Day

throw on a flannel and you're set! Non-uniform pants allowed. Saint of the Day - St. Valentine

#### VALENTINES FOR FOLKESTONE

Students will make valentine cards for our senior friends at the Folkestone Commons Community!

#### WEDNESDAY

Dress Your Best (NO jeans)

Saint of the Day - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

#### JOIN US CHILDREN'S MASS @ 9:00

All are welcome to join as Father John leads us in weekly Children's Mass.

#### **THURSDAY**

Book Character Day dress as one of your favorite book characters - bring the book if you have it to read!

Saint of the Day - St. Theresa of Calcutta

#### LETTERS OF LOVE

Students will make cards for Letters of Love, a group that sends cards to children in the hospital.

#### **FRIDAY**

**Bulldog Spiritwear** 



Saint of the Day - St. Blaise

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**BLESSING OF THROATS** @ 8:45

All are welcome to join as Father Bobby leads us in a short prayer service including Blessing of the Throats in honor of St. Blaise.

#### BOWLING at TUTTLE'S

Students K-5 will head to Tuttle's for bowling.

JOIN US

FAMILY DANCE PARTY @ 6:00

Second Annual Glow Party. Join us for Dj, lights, snacks, Photo Booth, and dancing to cap off Catholic Schools Week.

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#### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Save the Date for our BIG Kickoff to Catholic Schools Week!!

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH SATURDAY 5:00PM, SUNDAY 8:30 & 10:30 Masses** 

What you need to know: we hope to have our K-5 students read, greet and serve at these three masses, wear their uniforms, and volunteer to serve pancakes on Sunday morning! Preschool - please join us in uniforms and enjoy breakfast with us. Our 2nd and 3rd grade classes lead this event and we hope everyone participates. Bring your family and friends - the school will also be open for tours. Alumni welcome and encouraged to volunteer and attend! Special prizes from Mrs. Vance to all who attend in uniform to help!



**MASS DUTY SIGNUP - CLICK HERE! PANCAKE BREAKFAST SIGNUP - CLICK HERE!** 



#### **SAVE THE DATE!**

2nd annual Glow Party and Family Dance! FREE EVENT for all Preschool -Grade 5 families to cap off Catholic Schools Week!

Join us for DJ's, lights, snacks, photo booth and dancing. Friday, January 31st 6:00-7:30



# WINTER YOUTH ENRICHMENT



Register at YELKids.com

## † {YEL!} GRANDMASTERS OF CHESS 1.2

For grades K-5

New and returning students invited. Our winter session focuses on advanced beginner and intermediate concepts. The {YEL!} Teach It! Practice It! Play It!® method keeps chess students progressing through 60+ chess lessons and thousands of puzzles as well as guided games and in-class tournaments. Class fee includes ChessKid.com membership for the session. Sign up today. Visit YELKids.com for more details.

Fridays, 3:35 PM-4:35 PM -- 1/30 to 3/20 — 8 Classes -- Fee: \$100



#### Tyel!} Bricktopia Catapults

For 1st-5th grades

Explore engineering with Bricktopia's Catapults class! Build a catapult, dragster, and scale with LEGO bricks, and challenge yourself to problem-solve and innovate. Join now! LEGO® is a trademark of the LEGO Group of companies which does not sponsor, authorize or endorse this site or program.

Mondays, 3:35 PM-4:35 PM -- 1/27 to 3/10 -- skip 2/17 -- 6 Classes -- Fee: \$100











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## Preschool Enrollment Open for 2025/26

Current families - if you have younger siblings who will be 33 months in September & are interested in enrolling in preschool next year - don't forget to reach out to enroll! Both classrooms are already nearing full!! We have 4 more students joining us this Winter/Early Spring.

\$500 referral credit for families in all grades! \$1,000 transfer credits for 1-5, too!

#### In Case You Missed It...

Our 2nd and 3rd grade classes sent letters to their favorite authors in Library! Each student selected one of their favorite books, researched their authors, and reached out to their publishers. We look forward to sharing more about who writes back to our Bulldogs!

