

ECHOES OF ANGELS

Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ...

Spring Picture Day

Spring pictures are scheduled for tomorrow. This is a *Dress Up Day*. No jeans are allowed, but jean skirts are acceptable. All 8th graders will wear their uniforms unless they are having their portraits retaken.

Bless This Food

If you are attending the Seraphim Ball, please email your dietary restrictions to Annie Hilby or Sarah Reynolds by tomorrow morning.
(kinsella77@hotmail.com or sarah_mei_lee@yahoo.com)

Drop Off Line

Please drive all the way to the end of the school property on Lakewood before dropping students off. Do not drop off students on Russell. If you need to get out of your car to assist younger ones, please do not use the drop off line but the front parking lot instead.



Easy as 1...2...3

Congratulations to the Holy Angels Math Team that competed successfully at IMSA on Wednesday, March 4. Competing against over 20 teams, this year's competition was harder with overall scores lower across the board, but Holy Angels Mathletes were competitive and brought home two awards. They finished 3rd overall in the *Creative Thinking* category. They also finished 3rd in the 7th grade competition.

Those who participated were: Alfonso Barraza, Connor Chase, Luke Coffman, John Curley, Daniel Eberle, Rudy Griffing, Patrick Hilby, Mateo Ramirez, Charles Reynolds, Kevin Stanislo, Seth Vaghy, Michael Alcalde, Emilio Arizaga, Sarah Beggs, Ryan Churchill, Nick DeLeon, Juliana DeNardo, Anna Hafertepe, Caroline Kuttner, Jackson Michels, Ava Moskal, Alea Ritchie, Liam Schwartz, and Grace Smith.

The IMSA competition represents the end of the Math Club season and demonstrates the importance of working hard,



Tuition Reduction

We will be offering a discount for 4-year-old preschoolers who have an older sibling attending Holy Angels. This discount will reflect the same two child tuition rate for the upcoming school year.

Drop Off Night

Drop Off Night is scheduled for tomorrow from 5:30-8:00 PM. This is a fun-filled event for our preschool through 4th grade students that includes games, puzzles, crafts, gym activities, and a movie. Cost is \$10/child at the door.

Date Change

Family Bingo Night has been changed to Friday, May 8.

Yard Signs

We still have a few yard signs available for purchase if you are still interested in earning a PIP hour for proudly displaying our school logo. Please contact Mrs. DuVall in the office if you're interested (tduvall@holyanangelsschool.net)

Graduation Forms

Parents of 8th graders - please check backpacks for important information and forms for graduation. Forms need to be returned to the office by Friday, March 13.

working together, and having fun while learning. The team was successful for these reasons and because each one of the members matters!

The Healing Touch

The health and safety of our students is always a top priority. That's why in years past we have closed school to prevent the spread of illness. With the growing concerns about the coronavirus be assured that we are closely monitoring the situation and news as it develops. Holy Angels follows the instructions of local/state health authorities and the Diocese of Rockford. This situation is very dynamic and evolving; therefore, we will continue to monitor all information as it arises.

I would like to share with you information that the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) has published for schools throughout the state. Currently, the IDPH recommends that schools hold classes and events as usual and follow routine cleaning and disinfecting procedures. Surfaces across our school are cleaned daily and that practice will continue.

The IDPH also recommends the best way to protect against coronavirus is by taking the same everyday precautions against getting sick in general. They have asked all schools to implement lessons in hand washing and use of hand sanitizer. Additionally, they recommend:

- Washing hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- Avoiding touching eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Staying home when sick
- Cover cough and sneezes with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces

We are increasing our efforts to educate and remind students of proper personal hygiene measures used to reduce the spread of germs and to increase opportunities for hand-washing throughout the school day. Attached is a quick reference guide of common ailments to better help you to determine when your child should stay home or come to school. (Thank you to Mrs. Bikun's niece who is a nurse for providing this for us.) Unfortunately, staying home when your

child starts to feel better can be frustrating but is critical for everyone's well-being.

Students who do not feel well during the school day will be evaluated by the school nurse. If needed, the school nurse will contact you directly to pick up your child. Please be sure that your emergency contact list is current so that a sick child does not have to wait long before being picked up for that loving, healing touch that only a parent can provide.

Grand and Green

SERAPHIM BALL DEADLINE: Friday, March 6

Gift Card Donations

Parents that made gift card donations on sign-up.com for PIP hours must send their gift cards to the office by this Friday. All gift cards should be enclosed in an envelope marked "Seraphim Ball Sign-Up Gift Card."

Outstanding Item Donations

Please deliver any outstanding items to the office by this Friday or contact Elizabeth Dallas directly to make drop-off arrangements.

Dinner Ticket Sales Are Ending

Dinner ticket sales will only run until this Friday. Tickets WILL NOT be sold after this date or at the event. Buy your tickets today!

Small Baskets Are Needed

Please deliver any smaller baskets you have on hand to the office by this Friday.

Tuition Credit Raffle Tickets Are Almost Sold Out

Holy Angels will be raffling off a \$4,400 tuition credit for the 2020-2021 school year. Tickets are \$100 each, and there are ONLY 2 TICKETS REMAINING out of the 75 being sold. Call the school office to purchase your raffle ticket today!

To place a bid, or to purchase tickets, visit <https://aesbid.com/ELP/SERAPHIM20> or contact Elizabeth Dallas at 630-567-1341 or etdallas@yahoo.com. We hope to see you there!

Registration Continues

Time is running out in several ways! First, we have limited space in preschool and several grades are almost at capacity for the upcoming year. *New Parent Registration* starts tomorrow at 2:30 PM. In addition, Schoolspeak will be unavailable for current parents starting Monday, March 9 because of the end-of-the-quarter maintenance. It will not be available again until Friday, March 20. Therefore, you will not be able to re-register during this two week period. So if you want to insure a spot for your child(ren) for the upcoming year, please act quickly. You don't want to miss out on the best Catholic school in the area!

Use your existing Schoolspeak account to register. If you are registering a new student from your family, please email Mrs. DuVall for the registration link you will need.

Easter Egg-citement

Home & School is in need of a volunteer to head up our Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 4. This is probably one of the easiest events of the year as the actual filling of the eggs is done through an outside organization. The hardest part is probably hiding the eggs in the park. If you are in need of PIP hours, this would be a great way to fulfill your hours. Please contact Laurie Wirtz at lukelaurie2@gmail.com for more information.

SchoolStore.com

This year we are partnering with SchoolStore.com to raise funds for essential tools our students and teachers need to succeed. The program is 100% online so there is no selling or handling of money or products. Your participation is easy and there is a nice prize program available to name this a fun experience. In fact, we've already received two gift cards for our teachers. Go to www.schoolstore.net and sign up using our school code ID: 116742. With a few minutes of your time, SchoolStore is the easiest and safest way for our teachers and school to earn money for materials to enhance your child's education.

Next Week at a Glance

Monday -

Tuesday -

Wednesday -

Thursday -

Friday - Mass 8:15

End of 3rd Quarter

Saturday - Seraphim Ball

Common Catholic Questions

Why can't Catholics eat meat on Fridays?

This practice is one of the disciplines of Lent that has the goal of love and surrender to God. It requires a break in the normal routine of our day and serves as a reminder that the basic needs of life should point us to the goodness of God.

Scripture has a long record of abstaining from certain foods as part of religious practice. In our day that practice continues, not because eating meat is bad, but as a discipline to turn the mind more consciously to God.
(Arkansas Catholic)

So, please consider supporting the Knights of Columbus in their *Lenten Friday Fish Fries* in Connor Hall from 4:30-6:30 PM.

*Mass Times: Saturdays 4:30
Sundays 6:45, 8:00 (Extraordinary Form, Latin, 1st & 3rd Sundays), 9:30, 11:00*

*Confession Times: Sunday after 9:30 Mass
Tuesday after 8:00 Mass
Wednesday 6:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Friday after 6:30 AM Mass
Saturday after 8:15 Mass and 3:15 PM - 4:00 PM*

Mission Statement

Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, Holy Angels School is committed to spiritual formation, which nurtures the Catholic faith and inspires its practice. It is committed to academic excellence, which fosters the growth of each individual. Holy Angels School strives to meet the intellectual, social, and ethical challenges of living in a technological, global, and culturally diverse society.

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