

# ECHOES OF ANGELS

Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ...

## Baskets of Fun

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their Free Throw Contest on Tuesday, January 21 starting at 2:30. This contest is open to boys and girls ages 9-14. Permission slips are available in the office. For more information contact Joe Didier 630-466-4766.

## Dennis Sale

Dennis Uniform is offering a sale on school uniforms from January 18-21. Everything is 20% off with free shipping on orders of \$100 or more. Shop online [dennisuniform.com](http://dennisuniform.com). Our school code is GHASL.

## Distinguished Graduates

The first 3 freshman recipients of the Blessed Columba Marmion Award for the freshman class are all Holy Angels graduates. Congratulations to Steven Duda, Kevin Kirby, and Ethan Havertape!  
[marmion.org/s/1356/academy/index.aspx?sid=1356&gid=1&pgid=3184](http://marmion.org/s/1356/academy/index.aspx?sid=1356&gid=1&pgid=3184)



## Catholic Schools Week

I always chuckle when I think about how Catholic Schools Week has become the week that we celebrate our Catholic school by allowing our students to dress like public school kids. It's the week when we get to bend the rules a bit and have some fun celebrating our amazing school. National Catholic Schools Week (CSW) is an annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States now entering its 46th anniversary year. We have many fun activities planned for each day.

On Friday, January 24, we're going to "Kick Off CSW" by



## Mardi Gras Masquerade

On Friday, February 14, from 2:45-4:30, 7th & 8th grade students are invited to attend the Junior High Dance. Students are encouraged to wear Mardi Gras themed attire. Clothing must abide by the dress down rules in the Parent Handbook. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Candy will be available for purchase for \$1. Raffle tickets will also be available 3/\$1 to purchase a chance to win various prize baskets. All proceeds go toward the 8th Grade Banquet. Cost of the dance is \$7 and a canned good. Permission slips for this dance will come home by February 7. For more information contact Nicole Coffman ([thgoods@comcast.net](mailto:thgoods@comcast.net)) or Emily Anderson([emilyanderson005@gmail.com](mailto:emilyanderson005@gmail.com))

## Grande and Green

Attached to this newsletter is information about being a Seraphim Ball Sponsor. Please consider donating to our major fundraiser in this way. Donating to the school your kids care about not only benefits the school but can be deeply rewarding for you too. Your donation will make an impact on our school so we can provide a better fine arts experience for our students. For more information, contact Elizabeth Dallas ([etdallas@yahoo.com](mailto:etdallas@yahoo.com)).

## Tax Letters

Please be on the lookout for your tax credit letters from the school in your email. Contact the office if you do not receive one.

allowing students to wear boots with their uniform.

On Sunday, January 26, we celebrate our parish with a special Mass for students and teachers at 9:30 followed by an *Open House* from 10:30-12:30, our *Fine Arts Fair* in the Leurck Library and a *Talent Show* in the Mates Fieldhouse at 1:00. Students are encouraged to wear their uniform to church this weekend and will receive a special Spirit Wear dress down pass. Please let your child's teacher know if they wore their uniform to church.

Our "Soup-er Way to Start the Week" is on Monday. Students may wear a sports jersey with loose-fitting jeans or sweatpants to school. We're asking for donations of soup and gently used clothing to help the less fortunate. Classes will also participate in the start of *Penny Wars* with all proceeds benefitting the Springfield Dominican nuns.

On Tuesday, we're just "NUTs about our Jean-ius Students," which means *No Uniform Today*. Students may dress in comfortable clothes such as loose fitting jeans or sweats. Our school bee is scheduled for 8:05. We have a hot dog lunch planned for students as well as a student assembly with the *Rope Warrior* and no homework.

Wednesday we celebrate vocations with a black and white day. Students may wear black and white outfits. This is not a jeans day. Eighth graders will be dressing up for their 8th grade portraits. We'll be having a fun *Catholic Trivia Contest* for the upper grades and the primary grades will learn more about saints with the reading of picture books.

The "Pot at the End of the Rainbow" is a day to celebrate our teachers. Students will be a myriad of bright colors as they don grade level colored shirts. After discussing this at our faculty meeting yesterday, it makes more sense to use the colors from our last year's school picnic since students already have this colored t-shirt. Therefore, our new list of colors will be as follows:

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| <b>PK - white</b> | <b>K - tie dyed</b> | <b>1 - tie dyed</b> |
| <b>2 - orange</b> | <b>3 - purple</b>   | <b>4 - yellow</b>   |
| <b>5 - red</b>    | <b>6 - gray</b>     | <b>7 - green</b>    |
| <b>8 - blue</b>   |                     |                     |

Students are free to wear loose-fitting jeans or sweats with their shirts. There is a teacher luncheon planned as well as a movie afternoon for students.

Friday we give "Cheers to our School" with a *Spirit Wear Day*.

Students may not wear jeans today as we will be following our *Spirit Wear Day* guidelines. Sweats have to be black, gray, or navy blue and paired with a Holy Angels shirt. We will attend Mass at 8:15 and then be treated to our annual *Teachers vs. 8th Graders Volleyball Game*. The *Super Raffle* winner will be announced at the game. There is early dismissal at 11:30.

We close out our week with our *Family Fun Fest* on Saturday, February 1.

Attached is a simple outline of the week. As for attire, we're relaxing the dress code to allow for loose-fitting jeans on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday. However, all shirts must follow the dress code. Dressing for each day's theme is optional for students. It's going to be an enjoyable week!

## Lady Luck

It's *Super Raffle* time! The *Super Raffle* is our only mandatory fundraiser. It requires each family to purchase or sell a minimum of \$150 worth of tickets. Tickets are \$10 each. The grand prize is \$3,500 and first prize is \$500. There is also a \$100 prize for the most tickets sold as well as an Early Bird Drawing on January 22. All money must be turned in by 2:30 PM on January 30. The drawing will be held on January 31 at the Catholic Schools Week *8th Grade vs. Teachers Volleyball Game*. Should you choose not to participate in selling tickets, this mandatory fundraising fee will be added to your February tuition statement.

## Who Needs Picasso?

Calling all Artists of Holy Angels School! The *Holy Angels Art Fair* will be held on Sunday, January 26 in the Leurck Library during our Catholic Schools Week Open House. Every student is invited to showcase their artwork during the Art Fair. Students may bring in their art anytime before Friday, January 24 and leave it in Mrs. Panizzi's office. It is important that names are on their art and a way is provided to prop up the artwork. Any questions may be directed to our art curator, Bethany Hollarbush at [rnpga@hotmail.com](mailto:rnpga@hotmail.com) or 630-222-8842.

## An A'Fair to Remember

Top off the end of Catholic Schools Week by attending the Holy Angels' *Crazy Colossal Carnival of Fun* on Saturday, February 1 from 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM. The committee is currently looking for gently used stuffed animals for bingo prizes. Please drop off your stuffed animals (any sizes) in the boxes outside the office. They are also in need of bakers for our traditional cake walk. Many, many volunteers are also needed to make this event a success. Please sign up to help raise money for our school: <https://signup.com/group/12783822100117>.

## Next Week at a Glance

**Monday - No School**

**Tuesday -**

**Wednesday -**

**Thursday -**

**Friday - Honor Roll Mass 8:15**

# Common Catholic Questions

**Why do Catholics call the priest “Father?”**

Priests have always been viewed in the Catholic Church as spiritual fathers. Saint Paul made this clear when writing to the Corinthians, “I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel” (1 Cor. 4:14–15).

Even the Pope since the very beginning has been known as “papa,” which is a Latin term for “father” used by a child. The term represents the spiritual fatherhood of all priests and how we are their children in the faith. They pass on and cultivate the faith and counsel us as a father counsels his son or daughter. This is one of the reasons why the Western Church still favors celibacy in the priesthood, allowing priests the freedom to be spiritual fathers to the flock God has entrusted to them.

([aletia.org](http://aletia.org))

*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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