

# ECHOES OF ANGELS

Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ...

## What's for Dinner?

Our next restaurant fundraiser will be January 22 at Lou Malnati's in both Oswego and Aurora (Orchard Road). 20% of their total sales will be donated back to our school. Please plan on attending. Flyers are in backpacks today.

## Seraphim Ball Video

Jill Burroughs is creating a video for Seraphim Ball. If you have any pictures of students that capture the spirit of Holy Angels, please share them with her. Her email is [jcburroughs@yahoo.com](mailto:jcburroughs@yahoo.com).

## Raging Waves

Earn a free June admission to Raging Waves Waterpark this summer! To do this, students in grades K-8 need to keep a fitness log (provided by Mrs. Wagner) starting on February 11. Once a child has completed 25 hours of exercise by April 8, they can return the log to receive either a free admission ticket valid in June only or a \$10 off discount for July 1 - September 2.



Only 10 more days until the best week of the school year! Catholic Schools Week begins on Sunday, January 27 with an Open House from 10:30-12:30. Parents will be able to tour the school, check out the Fine Arts Fair in the Leurck Library, as well as enjoy the entertainment of our Talent Show starting at 1:00.

Monday is "Be a Good Sport Day." Students may dress down and wear their favorite team sweatshirt or jersey.

Tuesday is "Awaken to the Needs of the Community Because I CAN Make a Difference Day." Students may wear pajamas to school and are encouraged to bring in a canned good for the pantry.

Wednesday is "Dress Your Best Day." Students are asked to dress up to honor vocations. Eighth graders will have their 8th grade portraits taken that day.





## Empower Illinois

Once again, there was an overwhelming response from families wanting to take advantage of the opportunity to send their child to a quality private school. Beginning Friday, January 18, families will receive an email to access Part Two in their empowerXchange portal. Part Two is when parents will upload household and income documents, and complete the full application.

## Got Germs?

As a gentle reminder, when your child is sick, please call the office to let us know of the absence. The absentee line is 630-897-8233.

Flu season is now upon us but it's not too late to get that all-important flu shot. Continue to encourage your child to thoroughly wash their hands throughout the day to prevent the spread of disease.

## High School Events

Marmion is hosting their 19th annual Junior High Honor Band on Sunday, January 27 for students in grades 6-8. Check in begins at 1:00. Pizza will be served prior to the 5:45 PM concert. The cost is \$10.

Thursday is "Crazy About our Teachers Day." Students may dress down in crazy outfits (crazy hair, socks, shoes, hat, colors, etc.)

Friday is "We Show Our School Spirit Day." Students may dress down in school spirit wear as they cheer on either their teacher or 8th graders in the traditional 8th grade vs. teachers volleyball game.

Saturday is "We Have Fun at our School Day." The Fun Fest runs from 11:00 - 2:00.

More specific information about the exciting events planned for the week will be coming home early next week.

## Better than a Pot of Gold

Most students love the opportunity to "dress down." That's why we are offering the incentive of earning special dress wear days for selling our Super Raffle Tickets. Selling over the required amount can earn students a favorite hoodie/sweatshirt, crazy socks and shoes, and/or a dress down week. Congratulations to the following families who have already earned these rewards: Catich, Conover, Fichtel, Forbes, Gilla, Gurbal, Gutierrez, Ignatius, and Riley.

As a reminder, this is our only mandatory fundraiser. All ticket sales are due to the office by February 1 to avoid the \$150 fundraising fee that will be added to your February tuition.

Tickets can be turned in anytime in the month to redeem the applicable prize. Extra tickets can be found on our website.

## Crafty Kids

The Holy Angels Fine Arts Fair will be held on Sunday, January 27 from 10:00 -12:00 in the Leurck Library. Every Holy Angels student is invited to submit an original work of art for display. Categories include photography, sculpture, fabric craft, painting, drawing, jewelry making, weaving, or any other original creation. All artwork must be submitted with an easel or some way for it to be displayed or propped up. Please label all artwork with the student's name and grade level. Entries are due to Mrs. Panizzi's office by Friday, January 25. Please contact Bethany Hollarbush (630-222-8842) with any questions.

## Do You Believe in Magic?

Our Seraphim Ball Committee has been busy making magic happen with our largest fundraiser of the year. Please plan to

take a sneak peak at their efforts during our Open House on Sunday, January 27 from 10:30-12:30. On display will be several of the raffle baskets that will be auctioned on Saturday, February 9 at the Gaslite Manor. They will also be selling a chance to win \$3500 in tuition credit for the upcoming school year as well as tickets to the ball if you haven't already gotten them.

## Crazy Colossal Carnival of Fun

Holy Angels Fun Fair is back! It will be held on Saturday, February 2, from 11 am until 2 pm! Finish off an action packed Catholic Schools week with a day of fun. Games, raffles, bounce house, face painting, food and balloons. Please check backpacks for the pre-order form for the all-inclusive wristband. Wristbands are \$12 per student or \$35 maximum for a family. Orders are due Friday, January 25.

We also still need LOTS of volunteers to make it a success. Please sign up to help at <http://signup.com/go/HolyAngelsHSA>

## Drop Off Night

Drop-Off Night is a fun-filled event for preschoolers through 4th grade. Our next event is scheduled for Friday, January 25 from 5:30-8:30. The cost is \$7/child or \$20/family in advance. The cost is \$10/child at the door. Please return the reservation form from your child's backpack by Wednesday, January 23.

## Making the Grade

Schoolspeak is not accessible to parents until report cards are published tomorrow Friday, January 18. As a gentle reminder, your tuition bill must be current to view report cards.

## Next Week at a Glance

Monday - No School

Tuesday - First Reconciliation for 2nd Graders 6:30

Wednesday -

Thursday -

Friday - Honor Roll Mass 8:15

Drop Off Night 5:30

## *Bringing Home the Faith*

Built by immigrants and bolstered by modern-day saints, Catholic schools have a long history of success. The first Catholic school in America opened in Philadelphia in 1783. Throughout the 19th century, the indispensable efforts of Catholic priests and nuns contributed to the creation of many Catholic schools across America. But the Catholic school system as we know it today can be mostly attributed to the grit, determination and sacrifice of a flood of Catholic immigrants who entered the United States in the late 19th century.

In an attempt to preserve and pass along their faith to their children, these Catholics built their elementary schools and paid Catholic sisters to teach in them. By 1920, 6,551 Catholic elementary schools enrolled 1.8 million students taught by 42,000 teachers. Enrollment continued to climb reaching an all-time high of 4.5 million students by the mid- 1960s.

Catholic education is an important part of educational history in America — of which we should be proud. Today our Catholic schools comprise the largest parochial school system in the world.

Since 1974, National Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. It starts the last Sunday in January and runs all week, which in 2019 is January 27 - February 2. The theme for National Catholic Schools Week 2019 is “Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.” Schools typically observe the annual celebration week with Masses, open houses and other activities for students, families, parishioners and community members. Through these events, schools focus on the value Catholic education provides to young people and its contributions to our church, our communities and our nation. ([findcatholicschools.org](http://findcatholicschools.org), NCEA)

*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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