

ECHOES OF ANGELS

Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ...

Chance to Win

The Seraphim Ball Committee will be here on Sunday selling Tuition Raffle tickets. They are \$100 each with a limit of 75 tickets being sold. There are only 27 tickets left. Don't miss out on this unique opportunity to win!

Daddy Daughter Dance

Please mark your calendars! We're rolling out the red carpet for our annual Daddy Daughter Dance on Friday, February 7 from 6-9 PM. Flyers will be coming home soon with more details.

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.



Catholic Schools
Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.

Catholic Schools Week

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 next week:

Tomorrow we will "Kick Off Catholic Schools Week" by allowing students to wear their favorite pair of boots with their uniform.

On Sunday, January 26, we celebrate our parish with a special



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) or Emily Anderson(emilyanderson005@gmail.com)

School Store

The School Store will be open again on Friday, February 7. All students in grades K-5 are invited to come and shop for school supplies, Valentine's Day goodies, and some fantastic Spirit Wear items. Order forms will be sent home during the week of February 3 which gives you time to check to see if any school supplies need to be replenished. When students buy from our School Store the funds go directly to HSA to support and host events and activities for all of our students. So thank you for your support!

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 winter coats 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 spelling 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. These do not have to be Holy Angels shirts.

PK - white	K - tie dyed	1 - any color
2 - orange	3 - purple	4 - yellow
5 - red	6 - gray	7 - green
8 - blue		

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.

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 with a few surprises thrown in for our students!

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. The winner of our Early Bird Drawing was Luke Coffman's aunt, Natalie Cataldo.

As a reminder, 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.

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 need to make this event a success. Please sign up to help raise money for our school: <https://signup.com/group/12783822100117>. Also don't forget to purchase your wristband for the games.

Grand and Green

Holy Angels School is now accepting sponsorships and auction item donations for its Fourteenth Annual Seraphim Ball fundraiser on Saturday, March 14, 2020, at Belle Salle Banquets in Aurora. Support a school committed to the education of children in the Fox Valley area for over 100 years! This is a great opportunity for local businesses to promote their goods and services to hundreds of student parents, parishioners and other community members. Sponsorship and event program advertising is offered at varying levels to accommodate almost any budget. To learn more about the Seraphim Ball, visit <https://aesbid.com/ELP/SERAPHIM20>. To become a sponsor, make a donation, place an ad or purchase tickets, contact Elizabeth Dallas at 630-567-1341 or etdallas@yahoo.com.

High School Happenings

All 5th-8th grade boys are invited to cheer on the Marmion Cadets as they take on the St. Charles East Saints on Tuesday, January 28 at their Basketball Go Cadets Night. Students will receive free admission to the home game, a free t-shirt, tour, and more. The sophomore game begins at 5:30 PM and the varsity game at 7:00 PM. Please RSVP in advance at www.marmion.org/games.

All 4th-8th grade girls are invited to Rosary Royals Basketball Middle School Night on Thursday, January 30 as they take on Aurora Central Catholic. Students will receive free admission, hot dog

and a drink. The freshman game starts at 4:30 PM, JV game at 6:00 PM and the varsity game at 7:30 PM. RSVP at admissions@rosaryhs.com.

Ladies Bunco Sunday

St. Anne's Unit 26 is hosting Ladies Bunco on Sunday, January 26 at 1:00 PM in Connor Hall. Bunco is a fun game that is very easy to learn. No experience necessary. Come out and socialize with other ladies of the parish. Tickets for this fundraiser are \$20 with cash prizes awarded to the winners. Soup, chili, snacks, and beverages will be provided. Advance reservations are appreciated, but walk-ins are welcome. RSVP to Ruth Wenzel at 630-253-6962 or mawetz6@hotmail.com.

Next Week at a Glance

Monday - Catholic Schools Week

Tuesday - Hot Dog Lunch

Wednesday - 8th Grade Portraits

Thursday - Super Raffle tickets due in office at 2:30 PM

Friday - Mass 8:15

8th Grade vs. Teacher's Volleyball Game

Super Raffle Drawing

Early Dismissal 11:30 - no bus service home

Common Catholic Questions

What should one do after receiving the Holy Communion. Should one sit or kneel in prayer?

We take our direction on all liturgical actions from what is called the General Instruction of the Roman Missal. #43 of that Instruction states: "... if appropriate, they may sit or kneel during the period of sacred silence after Communion."

This, of course, does not answer the question directly. What it means is that it is optional to sit or kneel at that time. Therefore, it is more up to the established local custom, or the custom of the national bishop's conference, to make the normative determination for each location. Therefore, the best thing to do is to follow the custom of the local church under the direction of the priest.

With that said, it seems most desirable to kneel at that time. Holy Communion is a sacred encounter with the Living God and, as a sign of one's interior prayer, it is most desirable to enter into the most reverent posture possible. Some religious orders even lay prostrate at that moment.

However, even though it is very legitimate to argue that kneeling is the best practice, and even though this is the most common gesture in most territories, it is good to act in uniformity with the local

church and to follow the local custom so as not to draw attention to yourself and to your personal prayer. Most importantly, at that moment one should strive to tune everything else out and enter into deep prayer with God. If you do that, you can be assured that your Communion will be fruitful.
(mycatholic.life)

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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