

# ECHOES OF ANGELS

Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ...

## Picture Perfect

Eighth grade photo orders need to be returned by Monday, April 8. Please return the proofs as well.

Spring picture orders were sent home via backpacks. All purchase orders are due back to the school by Wednesday, April 10. If you are not purchasing any photos, please return the entire photo package by Wednesday also.

## Raging Waves

Raging Waves fitness logs need to be returned on Monday, April 8.

## Schoolbelles Sale

Schoolbelles is hosting a customer appreciation sale on April 7-8. You can get up to 50% off on pants, monogrammed items, socks, backpacks and lunchbags. You can order at [www.schoolbelles.com](http://www.schoolbelles.com).



Mr. Ostap Mencinsky, Mrs. Audrey Mencinsky,  
Mrs. Dorothy Rybarski

## Preserving the Past

On Wednesday, April 3, several 5<sup>th</sup> graders interviewed three wonderful senior citizens who lived during World War II. The students had read the novel, Lily's Crossing, which takes place during WWII.

The 5<sup>th</sup> graders wanted to learn about what life on the home front was like from the perspective of people who lived during the war, so they developed questions and submitted them to their guests.

Both the students and the guests found the interview to be a meaningful experience. (written by: Stephen Dallas, Eva Sanchez, Ammecy Ray, Allie Casanovas, Mateo Acosta, and





## Used Uniform Sale

HSA will be hosting a used uniform sale tomorrow, April 5 from 2:30-4:00 in the school lobby.

## Re-registration

Registration for new families has recently started. If you have not re-registered for the upcoming year, please do so as soon as possible. You can access the registration forms through our school website.

## Rosary Alumnae 5K

The Annual Road Scholars 5K Run/Walk will be held on Sunday, May 5 at 9 AM. Proceeds benefit the Sister Mary Joseph Alumnae Scholarship. For more details and to register visit [www.rosaryhs.com/5krun](http://www.rosaryhs.com/5krun).

## PIP Hour Fees

Please note that PIP hour buy-out fees will be reflected on the April tuition statement. If this fee is in error, please contact Mrs. Sadowski.

Kevin Aguilar.)

## Lights, Camera, Action!

Our Junior High Drama Department will be presenting "Godspell" on Thursday, April 11 and Friday, April 12 at 7 PM at Aurora Central Catholic. "Based on the Gospel According to St. Matthew and drawing from various theatrical traditions, such as clowning, pantomime, charades, acrobatics and vaudeville, Godspell Junior is a groundbreaking and unique reflection on the life of Jesus, with a message of kindness, tolerance and love."

Please plan to join us for this outstanding production featuring such talented students as Justin Cebulski, Matthew Dean, Reegan Barr, Lola Blankenheim, and Emma Kaspar and many more. Our production is staged under the direction of Mrs. Ann Marie Decker and Mrs. Jodi Taylor. A free will offering will be taken with all proceeds benefitting future productions.

## Make a Joyful Noise

Save the date! We will be hosting a Fine Arts Dinner on Saturday, April 13 from 5:30-7:30 PM in Connor Hall. Our amazing choir will sing along with cast members from our upcoming production of "Godspell." More information will be forthcoming.

## Musicians Duet Better

Our band program's Solo and Ensemble Festival was held recently. Students perform with piano accompaniment for a judge. Congratulations to Anthony Gustafson who received a perfect score. Congratulations also go to Cassidy Eddy who was selected to perform for the Concert Honors Band. Honors Band is an event designed to highlight the best band students by bringing them together to play more challenging music. Cassidy was nominated by her director due to her impressive performance and dedication.

## Just Dance 2020

Planning for the Seraphim Ball 2020 is already underway! Please prayerfully consider sharing your time and talent by volunteering to help with the Ball. There are many different committees, so whatever your interest, there is the perfect spot for you! We also need committee chairs for the Ads, Sponsorship, Program, Finance, and Volunteer Committees. Chairing a committee will complete your PIP hours for next school year. Please contact Elizabeth Dallas at [etdallas@yahoo.com](mailto:etdallas@yahoo.com) or 630-567-1341 if you are interested in volunteering.

## Next Week at a Glance

**Monday** -

**Tuesday** -

**Wednesday** - 7th Grade Marmion & Rosary Step Up Day

**Thursday** - 8th Grade Area Mass 10:00 ACC

Jr. High Play 7:00 ACC

**Friday** - Mass 8:15

Stations of the Cross 1:30

Jr. High Play 7:00 ACC

**Saturday** - Easter Egg Hunt. 10:00

Fine Arts Dinner Connor Hall 5:30-7:30

## *Bringing Home the Faith*

### Development of the Stations of the Cross

A prayer form that is most often associated with the season of Lent, the Way of the Cross (as it is formally called) is a prayer for all seasons. The idea of this prayer came from the ancient practice of pilgrimage. Some who had particular spiritual burdens to discharge, penances to do, or needs to intercede for would make the long journey to the Holy Land on foot in search of the special graces attached to the land where Christ had walked. Obviously, this took considerable time and resources to accomplish, and not everyone could make the journey even once in a lifetime. But the spiritual benefits of a pilgrimage were enormous, not the least of which was the community that often spontaneously formed along the way for protection, mutual encouragement, and fellowship. The final leg of the journey was to follow the Via Dolorosa, or Way of Sadness—the route that Jesus presumably took through Jerusalem to Calvary with his cross. It was this final stage of pilgrimage that led to the idea of the stations, or stops, that Jesus took along that last sad street.

The stations of the cross became standardized over time, encompassing at last the fourteen stops we have today (fifteen if the Resurrection is included). Originally, the franchise of the stations belonged to the Franciscan order, who were the guardians of the Holy Land. At Franciscan parishes and retreat centers, anyone unable to make an actual pilgrimage to the Holy Land was invited to symbolically journey through those fateful stops and make the same reparations and intercessions that other pilgrims made. Today almost every Catholic parish has a specially installed group of stations, and many retreat centers will have outdoor stations as well. By walking the stations one can literally “move” toward spiritual wholeness. We can understand our spiritual lives as a journey toward greater integrity through accompanying the passion of Jesus by this wholly engaging prayer. We can use one of the many books of meditations on the stations that have been written by spiritual masters to accompany us along the way, or we can simply offer our own prayers as we go.

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*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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