



School News ...

The 2018—2019 school theme which guides us:
On this rock I will build my church. (Matthew 16:18)



Today churches and schools across Milwaukee not only celebrated the beginning of the church liturgical calendar, but we also celebrated the 175th Anniversary of the Archdioceses of Milwaukee!

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Check [Facebook](#) for a video of our school prayer! Learn more about the 175th Anniversary celebration & history [here](#).



Check out our [fall school newsletter](#) which was featured in the bulletin this weekend!

Current Family Enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year will begin

December 3rd. Enrollment for your current student, as well as new sibling, will be submitted through your headmaster account. Please be sure you have your user name and password available.

You will receive an email with detailed enrollment instructions the morning of the 3rd. **The registration fee for returning families will be \$85 and is due at the time of registration.**

If you have an incoming 3K, 4K, or 5K student, please submit your enrollment as soon as possible to ensure placement in our program. Open enrollment for parishioner families begins on Thursday, January 3rd. If you have questions, please contact the school office by phone, or email ckornacki@hanb.org. Thank you.

Please note the following visitor policy updates and reminders:

- If you are dropping off items for your children that need to be delivered, please leave them in the school office. Our office staff will be happy to deliver the items to your child.
- If you are visiting/volunteering, please enter through the school office doors and be sure to sign in. This includes all birthday table visitors.
- After 7:40am, if your child is tardy, please have them enter through the office door and pick up a pass before they head to class.
- Please do not enter through the west doors in the morning. If you would like to walk your child to class, please enter through the north doors.

Thank you for your help!

2018-2019 School Calendar

November 28—Spirit Day, Forensics, Lego League

November 29—Peer Mentoring, Ski Club Meeting at 7pm in Room 110

November 30—All School Mass, Chicago Shopping Trip, Lego League

December 3—Mad Science

December 4—Peer Mentoring

December 5—2nd Quarter Progress Reports, Forensics, Lego League, Choir & Student Council Caroling at Linden Grove

December 6—Peer Mentoring, Vision Screening for 4K, 5K, 2nd, 5th.

December 7—Jonah Day (Baseball Out of Uniform), All School Mass, 2nd grade—play field trip, Birthday Table, Lego League

December 10—Mad Science, 3K, 4K, 5K Christmas Concert 6pm, 4:45pm Soup Kitchen

December 11—Peer Mentoring

December 12—Discipleship Wednesday—\$1 Out of Uniform supporting Christmas Clearing Council, Forensics, Lego League

December 13—Peer Mentoring

December 14—All School Mass 7:50, Lego League

December 15—Lego Sectionals

December 17—5K inhouse field trip—Schlitz Audubon

December 18—Peer Mentoring

December 19—3rd grade Wehr Field Trip, 1pm Concert Dress Rehearsal, 2:30 Forensics, 6:30 Christmas Concert

December 20—4K—Ridge Cinemas, Peer Mentoring

December 21—All School Mass 7:50

More school news ...

Middle School Good Citizen Presentations—Here at Holy Apostles School, we are creating a safe learning environment. Community Services Officer, Tony Fus, will be giving presentations for the sixth and eighth grade students on Friday, November 30th. Officer Fus and the seventh graders will have their discussions second semester, during their D.A.R.E classes. These presentations directly correlate and support the health and religion curriculum on bullying prevention. Students will be able to:

- * respect others while enforcing the Golden Rule
- * recognize and define types of harassment and bystander behaviors
- * empathize with people who are bullied and learn the consequences of phone and internet crimes
- * identify strategies to avoid being harassed
- * identify strategies to deal with bullying and help others who are bullied
- * understand reasons why harassment occurs and why these behaviors need to change

Our community and Catholic values of compassion, accountability, responsibility, and honesty all help build trusting relationships and integrity. Promoting the social, emotional, and spiritual well-being of our students is extremely valuable as they grow into young adults.

Teacher Christmas Fund—Once again, a collection will be taken to honor and thank our teachers and staff through the annual **Teacher/Staff Christmas Fund**. The fund is set up as an alternative to giving individual gifts to your child's teachers and HA staff members. The fund is a convenient, equitable and inclusive way of recognizing ALL those individuals who impact our children's education – teachers (including our Librarian, Music, Physical Education, Art and Spanish teachers), along with teacher aides, school staff and maintenance personnel. On the last day of school before Christmas break, teachers and staff receive their cash bonus along with a platter of Christmas cookies provided by the HA Home Bakers.

Contributing to the fund is optional and there is no set dollar amount. The firm donation deadline is Wednesday, December 12. No donations will be accepted after this date.

If your family would like to participate, please fill out the form below and return it to the school office in an envelope labeled "Teacher and Staff Christmas Fund." We will include a list of all families that contributed to the fund so be sure to complete this important step.

Donations are accepted three ways:

- Check payable to "Michelle Gutierrez." In the memo area of your check please put "Teacher/Staff Christmas Fund." Please note: In the past, checks were made payable to Home and School Association. Due to tax regulation, we are no longer able to process the donations through Home and School.
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- Through Venmo. You must download the Venmo app. Add me as a recipient @mgutierrez12. Enter dollar amount of your donation and under "What's it for?" (memo area) put your last name and "Christmas Fund."
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- Cash – this is the least preferred method of donating and will not be accepted for the fund after this year.

Thank you all for considering the annual Teacher/Staff Christmas Fund. We wish you all a most blessed and joyous Christmas season!

Any questions contact Michelle Gutierrez at am7gutierrez@gmail.com.

More school news ...

Greetings! It is Christmas concert season at Holy Apostles and students in 1st through 5th grades and the Crescendo Choir have been working hard on their Christmas music!

Theme: Itsy Bitsy Christmas

Date: Wednesday, December 19th

Time: 6:30pm. Please be at church no later than 6:15pm and in church sitting with family

Dress: Christmas best (no jeans and sports clothing). Some Crescendo Choir members will be dressed as specific characters. The rest of the Crescendo Choir is asked to please wear their choir shirts and dark pants/skirts.

Requirement/Absence: The Christmas concert is a music education grade for second quarter and thus a requirement to attend. Only illness is considered an excused absence. If your child is unable to attend for any other reason there will be a music packet of work for students to complete to receive their passing grade for the concert. If your child is unable to attend, please let Mrs. Wilson know as soon as possible so she can prepare a homework packet for your child. Thank you!



Dear Families of Holy Apostles School,

Student Council is coordinating the Adopt-A-Family Christmas service project again this Advent. Every grade will sponsor a family: K3, K4, and K5 will share a family.

These families have been referred by numerous child service agencies, schools, and churches in Waukesha County. The Christmas Clearing Council of Waukesha County has served this community and its children for over sixty years, and Holy Apostles School has sponsored families for well over twenty years.

We will begin this service project after Thanksgiving. Students and parents are invited to pull an ornament from the classroom's Christmas tree identifying a child's name and his or her wish. Please return the wrapped gift with the original tag attached, and place it under the classroom tree by Monday, December 10. Student Council members will then deliver the presents to families on Friday, December 14.

The money donated from our December non-uniform day on Wednesday, December 12, will be used to purchase basic winter clothing such as a pair of shoes or boots or a winter jacket for each child.

We are grateful that we are able to continue making the Christmas season a little bit brighter for these families in need. Thank you in advance for spreading the Christmas spirit to the nine families to help make sure children are not forgotten during this season of giving.

Peace and Blessings,

Taya Christianson, President
Marie Dowling, Vice-President

Reenie Ganzer, Secretary
Zach Wisniewski, Treasurer



Fun History Fact! On December 24, 1966 – Fr. Trost celebrated the first Mass in our new/current church, which was completed including a rectory, Lofy Hall, and the kitchen.

Athletics news ...

HA's 5th through 8th grade basketball seasons kick off this coming weekend! Please come out to support HA home teams with 6 games this Saturday:

Saturday 12/1

9:00 am - 5th grade girls

10:00 am - 6th grade boys B team

11:00 am - 6th grade girls

12:30 pm - 5th grade boys

1:30 pm - 8th grade girls

2:30 - 7th grade girls

Volleyball Awards Night / Uniform Turn-In—HA will celebrate our volleyball teams on Sunday, December 2nd from 6:00 to 7:30 pm in the gym. Volleyball uniform turn-in will take place 5:30 to 6:00 before the awards program in the gym. ALL uniforms must be turned in on this day - if you cannot make the banquet, provide your child's uniform to a coach or another team family to turn it in on your behalf.

Club, activities & student news ...

NEW HA Ski/Snowboard Club Information—

*** There will be an informational meeting on Thursday, 11/29 at 7pm in room 110.**

- **WHO can participate?** Any experience skiers and snowboarders from beginner to advanced. All students ages 7-18 the parish or school and their families are invited. We run our ski club as a family club. You provide your own transportation and supervision of your kids. It is a great way to get to know other families. The adults have just as much fun as the kids!
- **WHEN?** We will ski as a group 6-7 times during the season on Friday evenings and Sunday afternoons. Your club card will also get you great deals on tickets all season. **Dates include: 12/2 @ 2pm, 12/21 @ 6pm, 1/4 @ 6pm, 1/20 @ 2pm, 2/1 @ 6pm, & 2/10 @ 2pm.**
- **WHERE?** Our club skis at Alpine Valley Resort in East Troy. Only a 30 min drive from HA. It is the largest ski area in the Milwaukee area with hills and amenities for all ages and abilities.

See our [website](#) for more info. Please email acroder@sbcglobal.net if you would like to be on our email list or have any questions.

Carol Roder (acroder@sbcglobal.net) & Kelly Neitzke (kneitzke@waldenlaw.net) - Ski Club Sponsors

Home & School Association ...

Our Home & School Association (HSA) supports the spiritual and educational mission of Holy Apostles School. We financially assist school needs and provide adult, student, and family activities. For a full description of the role of the HSA, visit our [website](#) & like us on [Facebook](#)!

ST. NICK COMES THE EVENING OF DECEMBER 5TH! Buy Scrip gift cards for St. Nick stockings on Monday, November 29th. There are many \$5 and \$10 cards which are available only during this time of year. Check out shopwithscrip.com for more information.

Save the date for Family Movie Night on Friday, December 7th at 6:30 pm. More info to follow.

Parish news ...

Christmas Ministry 2018—“Creating Christmas for Garden Homes Neighborhood Guests” - An All Saints and Holy Apostles Collaboration. Holy Apostles will be partnering with All Saints, our sister parish, for this year’s Christmas Ministry. We will be serving residents and guests of the Garden Homes Neighborhood near All Saints around 25th and Capitol in Milwaukee. We are collecting donations to provide food, warmth, and dignity as we “create Christmas” for the last, lost, least, and lonely in this area.

Food Boxes—Empty food boxes are available now for pick-up in the Parish Center Lobby. A flyer explaining the food box procedure is included with the empty boxes. There are required items to create a Christmas dinner. (*Note: Canned hams will be purchased in bulk by Holy Apostles and distributed along with the boxes, and All Saints is providing dairy products*) Remaining space in the boxes should be filled ONLY with the items listed on the flyer. The objective is to have similar, healthy contents in each box. Please DO NOT WRAP OR SEAL the boxes. Food boxes are to be returned to the Parish Center Lobby on **Thursday, December 13th** or **Friday, December 14th** from **8 am – 9 pm**. They will be delivered to All Saints on Saturday morning, December 15. More details about that day’s events still to come!

Winter Jackets—The Garden Homes Neighborhood primarily consists of a needy adult population. We will be collecting new and very gently used men’s jackets (sized large and XL). These can be placed in the marked wooden bin in the Parish Center Lobby at any time. Please, do not donate any ripped or dirty items! All Saints will be providing women’s jackets as well as knit scarves and mittens.

Gift Cards—Gift Cards are a great way to provide dignity to those in the Garden Homes neighborhood. Please provide cards for Pick ‘N Save and Wal-Mart only as these are the easiest accessible stores in that area. Please DO NOT INCLUDE GIFT CARDS IN THE FOOD BOXES. These gift cards will allow residents to purchase bus passes, food, clothing, basic household items and more. They will be distributed by All Saints to needy families within that community throughout the entire year. Place gift cards in the marked wooden boxes near the exits of the church by December 14th.

*Also, we will be collecting Kohls gift cards to support the 9 families the school will be adopting. These gift cards will be used to buy winter coats. **Thank you for your generous support as we Love God. Love Others. And Transform Our World.**

Holy Apostles Living Nativity float needs people of any age to represent the Holy Family, angels, shepherds, and the Three Kings. There are live camels for the kings to ride, and sheep and goats for the shepherds to herd. The New Berlin Christmas parade is Saturday, December 1st at 3 pm. We will deliver costumes to your homes prior to the parade. Email jbruders@yahoo.com. Let’s keep Christ in the Christmas parade.