



School News ...

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

Friday is Jonah Day! There will be a special BASEBALL out of uniform day on Friday, December 7th. Jonah is a 6th grader at Holy Apostles who was badly burned in October. We ask that each child make a donation to support the Kopischke family. All donations collected will go directly to the family. Students should wear baseball clothes to honor Jonah's favorite hobby. If you would like to help in another way, please click [here](#) to sign up to provide a meal for the family, or click [here to read Jonah's Caring Bridge site](#). Please continue to pray for Jonah's quick recovery.

Current Family Enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year has begun.

Enrollment for your current student, as well as new sibling, will be submitted through your headmaster account. 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.

Tuition Payment for 2018 Taxes— If you want to make a tuition payment to be credited toward your 2018 taxes, the payment must be received in the school office by December 20th. The school office will be closed over the Christmas break and staff will not be available to receive mail during that time. Thank you.



Adopt-A-Family Advent Service Project— Thank you for your participation in the Advent Service Project. Please return the wrapped presents with the attached tags by Monday, December 10.

They can be placed under the trees in the homerooms. Dollar donations from our December 12 non-uniform day will be used to purchase shoes, winter boots, and coats. We are excited to deliver the presents to the homes on Friday, December 14. Your generosity is greatly appreciated as it will help brighten the Christmas season

TODAY: Christmas Caroling Linden Grove Nursing Home—All choir, student council, and middle school students are reminded that on Wednesday, December 5, we will be joining the St. Vincent de Paul Society spread a little Christmas cheer to the residents of Linden Grove Nursing Home. We will meet in the Gathering Place after school and take the bus to Linden Grove right after school. Parents will be picking up students at 4:00 when we have finished singing carols and passing out gifts to residents.

2018-2019 School Calendar

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

December 22-January 2nd—Christmas Break

January 3—First day back, Open Parishioner Registration begins, Peer Mentoring

January 4—All School Mass 7:50, Birthday Table

January 8—Peer Mentoring

More school news ...

We need your help! The Milwaukee Archdiocese is looking for 3K—8th grade parent & student quotes to be included in their school information booklet. Quotes can be anonymous or named ... it's up to you. Please send in your response to the following questions:

Parent: **"Why do you send your child to a Catholic school?"**

Student: **"Why do you like your school?"**

If you would like to participate, please send your response to sbindl@hanb.org by Friday. Thank you in advance for your kind words!

Attention all 8th Grade Parents – Graduation Photo Deadline is January 28th!

1. **INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS.** Each family may submit 11 photos for the 8th grade yearbook. Photos should be baby through 8th grade. Individual pictures are preferred. Please submit digital pictures in chronological order, if possible. Note: Each child will have 2 pages in the book.
2. **GROUP PHOTOS.** Please provide 10-15 digital pictures throughout the years of groups of students from events such as field trips, holiday parties, dances, and sporting events **no later than April 1, 2019.**
3. **WASHINGTON D.C. PHOTOS.** All D.C. digital photos are due **by May 8th.** No late submissions will be accepted, as the book will be finalized by May 13th to receive them in time for graduation.
4. **SCHOOL YEARBOOK.** Please submit a baby pic of your child to sbindl@hanb.org **by 1/28.** This picture will appear on the 8th grade page of the school yearbook.

ALL PICTURES SHOULD BE SUBMITTED ON A FLASH DRIVE. THE PHOTOS WILL BE USED FOR THE YEARBOOK AND DVD. PLEASE TURN THEM INTO THE OFFICE ASAP (or by the due dates listed above).

NOTE: All submitted pictures may not be used due to limited space. Please contact Kelly Gordon-Meyer, if you have any questions at gordotheclam@yahoo.com

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 & Time: Wednesday, December 19th at 6:30pm. Please be at church no later than 6:15pm. Keep your student(s) in the pew 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!

Teacher Christmas Fund—Donate today! Thanks to those that have made a donation to this year's Teacher/Staff Christmas Fund. If you plan to participate this year, please send in your donation today. Form is [attached](#) to Messenger. Deadline is next Wednesday December 12. Thanks for supporting our teachers and staff! Any questions contact Michelle Gutierrez at am7gutierrez@gmail.com.



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.

Parish news ...

Christmas Ministry 2018 Update—“Creating Christmas for Garden Homes Neighborhood Guests”, is an All Saints and Holy Apostles Collaboration.

STILL A GREAT NEED FOR WINTER JACKETS AND GIFT CARDS!!

Winter Jacket Collection—We will be collecting new and very gently used men’s winter jackets (sized large and XL). All Saints will be providing approximately 200 women’s winter jackets, and we’d like to match that total! We are only 25% of the way there. Please strongly consider a jacket donation. These can be placed in the marked wooden bin in the Parish Center Lobby at any time prior to **December 14**. No ripped or dirty items, please!

Gift Card Collection—Place gift cards in the marked wooden boxes near the exits of the church **before December 14**. Please provide cards for Pick ‘N Save and Wal-Mart only as these are the easiest accessible stores in that area. These gift cards will allow residents to purchase bus passes, food, clothing, basic household items and more. These gift cards are distributed YEAR ROUND and will be placed in handmade cards provided by the HA school students. Please consider a generous gift that will support this community well into 2019!! Purchasing gift cards through the school’s scrip program is highly encouraged! *PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE GIFT CARDS IN THE FOOD BOXES.*

December 15th Prayer Service and Service Event—On **December 15th**, All Saints is hosting a prayer service starting at 11:15 am along with Fr. Tim Kitzke, Vicar General of Urban Ministries in the Milwaukee Archdiocese. This is a great way for Holy Apostles and All Saints parishioners to come together to pray with the neighborhood guests who will be benefiting from our generosity. All Are Welcome! Only about 20 spots remain for the distribution event that same day. Time commitment is from 9 am – 3:00 pm. Volunteers will meet at Holy Apostles to assist the youth ministry in loading the truck. Bus transportation will be provided to All Saints at 9:30 am. We will unload the truck; set-up for the distribution event and attend the prayer service. Item distribution will follow the prayer service, followed by a luncheon and talkback session with the All Saints volunteers. Bus will depart All Saints at 2:30 pm. **Sign up here to volunteer** [here](#).

Food Box—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.



Last spring Holy Apostles parishioners donated \$17,500 toward the renovation of this chapel for our sister parish in the Dominican Republic, La Sagrada Familia, which included a new metal roof (building can now be a hurricane shelter), an updated front facade and a new concrete floor. This weekend they celebrated their first mass in the new space. Fr. Juan sent this photo of their renovated worship space.

What an amazing example of Holy Apostles USING OUR GIFTS to TRANSFORM OUR WORLD.

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](#)!

TWO MORE SCRIP SHOPPING DAYS UNTIL CHRISTMAS!

Monday, December 10

Monday, December 17

You can get all of your gift card shopping done very easily by buying Scrip. Scrip cards for many different restaurants, gas stations, grocery stores and specialty stores are available. Order online or print an order form from the school website, fill it out, and send it to school with your student by 8 am Monday morning. Cards will be available for pickup on Thursdays after 11 am, or they can be sent home with your student if you have a waiver on file.

Encourage your family members (grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and in-laws) to order Scrip through you and earn even more money toward tuition. Invite your in-laws over to watch the Packer game and hand them a Scrip form.

DO YOU OWN A BUSINESS? If you give your employees gift cards at Christmas, you can do one-stop shopping by buying gift cards through Scrip. The school family who places the order will receive the tuition credit.

We are still in need of some cookie bakers for the Teacher Cookie Platters. We have a few spots open on the [Signup Genius](#). Please consider baking if you are able.

The December birthday table will take place Friday, December 7, 2018. If your child has a birthday during **December**, please feel welcome to attend during his/her lunch period. An email invitation will also be sent home as a reminder. If a family member is not able to attend, your child may invite one friend to sit with them at the birthday table.

If you are new to Holy Apostles School, birthday table is for all 3K thru 8th grade students and their parents. Birthday table is typically held on the first Friday of each month. Home and School provides a special birthday table and cake to celebrate the current month birthdays. Summer birthdays are celebrated during the school year.

Birthday Table is a great opportunity to have lunch with your child during his/her special month! During Birthday Table you may choose to bring in a lunch/restaurant food for you and your child but please keep in mind we always encourage healthy options.

We hope to see you there! Renee Gratz & Jenny Serio

Happy December Birthday to: Brandt Casey, Madelyn Guillermo, Samuel Smith, Ainsley McGrath, Lucy Gratz, Chase Kennedy, Lily Balestrieri, Ian Kawczynski, Wyatt Harrison, Addison Josetti, Linnea Fisco, Celeste Lochner, Jacob McDonald, Noah Leow, Ryan Stepanski, Logan Mentzel, Camryn Richter, Liam Foti, Sarah Laabs, Gwendolyn McDonald, Andrew Lemke, Evan Zajork, Aislin Sullivan, Julian LoCoco, Elliott Szablewski and Hendrick Davis!

Family Movie Night is THIS FRIDAY, December 7th at 6:30 pm. Get more information [here](#)!

Athletics news ...

Basketball Games this Weekend! Please come out to support HA basketball teams this Saturday and Sunday. Good luck to all our teams, whether home or away, this weekend!

Saturday 12/8

12:30 pm - 5th grade boys
1:30 pm - 6th grade boys A
2:30 - 8th grade girls

Sunday 12/9

12:00 pm - 6th grade girls
1:00 pm - 7th grade girls
2:00 pm - 6th grade boys B
3:30 pm - 5th grade girls
4:30 pm - 7th grade boys B
5:30 pm - 7th grade boys A

Clubs & student news ...

Girl Scouts! Please see the attached invitation for the **Girl Scout Christmas Party on Friday, 12/14, from 2:30-4:00 in the Gym.** Please RSVP to Heather Sturino (hsturino@gmail.com) or Kathy Bonneville (kbonneville@att.net) by next Friday, December 7th. Please note that they are coordinating a service project for Children's Hospital along with this party. [See the flyer for more details.](#)