



Saint Boniface School

November Newsletter

A Community Centered on Christ

We exist to spread the gospel message of Jesus and to foster the spiritual and academic development of the students enrolled at Saint Boniface School.

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Upcoming Events

November 1-All Saints' Day

Mass 8:30 AM

November 5-No School

Teacher Inservice

November 8-No School

Vacation

November 25 & 26

Thanksgiving Vacation



School Mass

Nov. 1: 6th Grade-All Saints' Day

Nov. 11: 6B

Nov. 18: 5A

Nov. 25-No School

Dec. 2: 5B

Upcoming Events

ALL SAINTS' DAY

Monday, November 1 at 8:30 AM we will have our school Mass for All Saints' Day.

That will be our school Mass for the week.

There is no Mass on Thursday, Nov. 4 for the school.

ALL HALLOWS EVE AKA HALLOWEEN

Halloween, like so many other holidays, has morphed into secular traditions that don't capture the initial dedication of the day. Today, Halloween has become about candy, parties, costumes, and spooky and scary things.

That seems to be the market and the big sale and then, after October 31, it's done.

BUT that's not quite right!

Halloween can also be called All Hallows Eve.

Hallow means holy or sacred and eve is in reference to the eve of All Saints' Day.

Just like we have Christmas Eve, before Christmas Day.

On All Saints' Day, we honor and commemorate saints. Saints are those who have gone to heaven and are with Jesus. We believe that the world is spiritually connected to heaven.

All Hallows Eve is also a night where we prepare our hearts and memories for All Saints' Day, all those who have died and gone to heaven.

Don't let October 31 go by without connecting the real purpose of All Hallows Eve to All Saints' Day. At school, we will celebrate with Halloween parties and costumes, but we also put importance on All Saints' Day.

Though Halloween is fun, its importance doesn't compare to the celebrations of God and the church!

WEATHER DRESS CODE

0-24 degrees: Students need a winter coat, boots, snow pants, hat, and gloves

25-40 degrees: Students need a winter coat, hat, and gloves

41-50 degrees: Students need a jacket

51-60 degrees: Students need long sleeves or a sweatshirt

60 + degrees: Students do not need long sleeves

The week of November 1, temperatures will be between the 20's and low 40's. Please make sure your child has ALL the appropriate clothing (highlighted above). Layers are GREAT for these variable temperatures.

No matter what the temperature is, if there is snow on the ground, students MUST wear SNOW PANTS and BOOTS.

The temperature listed above are the real temperatures and does not include the wind chill. We do NOT go outside if the real temperature is below 0 or if it is 0 with the wind chill.

STUDENT COUNCIL: FOOD DRIVE

The student council is sponsoring the annual Food Shelf Drive. This year's theme is, "Tackle Hunger". The Food Drive will kick off on November 1st and conclude on November 19th. Students are encouraged to bring in as many nonperishable food items and paper products as possible to help our local food shelf. For everyone 100 items a class brings in, they will make a "touch down" on the Food Drive bulletin board.

Let's be thankful for all our many blessings and spread the blessing to those in need.

FLEXIBLE LEARNING DAYS

Flexible Learning Days are in place for SNOW DAYS ONLY. The first snow day is FREE! The teachers will communicate the plans to you via email.

TEXT MESSAGE & SCHOOLSPEAK

Sign in to your SchoolSpeak account and make sure you have included your mobile phone carrier in your profile. This makes it possible for you to receive text messages from the school using SchoolSpeak.

When will we text you?

We will only use the text feature if your student's class needs to quarantine, for inclement weather, and school emergencies.

PAA-THANK YOU VOLLEYBALL & FOOTBALL COACHES

It was a great season of volleyball and football! Thank you to the coaches for making this possible!

Volleyball: Coach Andrea Satterstrom, Assistant Coach Sara Lommel.

Football: Coach Cory Zeiher, Assistant Coaches Eric Leither and Calvin Fischer.

PIZZA FUNDRAISER: MARNANTELLI'S GIFT CARD SALE

We will once again be selling Marnantelli's gift cards beginning Monday, November 22 through Friday, December 10. WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION SOON!

AMAZON SMILE

Here's how to sign up for AmazonSmile.

1. Visit smile.amazon.com.
2. Sign in with your Amazon.com credentials.
3. Search and select, "Church of Saint Boniface," for the charity.
4. Start shopping!
5. Add a bookmark for smile.amazon.com to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile
6. Turn on AmazonSmile in the Amazon Shopping app
7. Make sure you're signed up for AmazonSmile (use your web browser to visit smile.amazon.com)
8. Download or update to the latest version of the Amazon Shopping app for iOS or Android
9. Open the app and find "Settings" in the main menu (☰)
10. Tap on "AmazonSmile" and follow the on-screen instructions to turn on AmazonSmile in the app.

REPORT CARDS

TRIMESTER 1 ENDS ON THURSDAY, DEC. 2. REPORT CARDS WILL GO HOME ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 13.

WORKATHON

Thank you everyone for a successful Workathon! A big thank you to Stephanie LaBine and the Home and School for organizing the Workathon. Thank you to the team leaders for organizing teams and thank you, everyone, for your work and dedication. Your service is greatly appreciated! We will have the Workathon Awards Ceremony on Thursday, November 4 and we will share the total at that time! Stay tuned!

BONI BALL

SAVE THE DATE! Friday, May 6th for our 16th annual Boni Ball: SWEET 16!

Please plan ahead and think of Boni-Ball auction items when you are doing your Black Friday or Cyber Monday shopping. You may see something that would make a great auction item and would be a super value.



MISSION PROJECT

This year our Mission Project will support the Crosier Fathers and Brothers as they build a new K-12 Catholic School in Butembo, in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Any money raised throughout the year will be donated to build the school.



Denise will be gone from Nov. 15 to Dec. 10. She is making great progress and continues to have good news. Continue to keep her in your prayers. For those who do not use ACH, please hold on to your November tuition payment and Denise will contact you when she is back.

TOP 20: Mistakes

In December students will be focusing on mistakes. When we make mistakes, we often feel embarrassed or dumb. They tend to make us feel like we're not good enough. But mistakes are wonderful! Many things can be learned from mistakes and risk-taking. For that reason, we should value mistakes, not avoid them.

This month we're going to focus on how to think about and respond to mistakes in a way that helps us learn and grow.

ACADEMIC TRIATHLON

All 6th graders are invited to participate in this activity focusing on trivia, mind-sprint games, and skits. Three practices are followed by a competition and it all begins Nov. 10.

(Families of 6th graders are receiving more information in the white envelope on Nov. 1.)

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Come join us as we proclaim the wonder of Christmas with *Miracle on Bethlehem Street* (words and music by Lowell Alexander) on Thursday, December 17 at 7:00 PM. All are welcome to attend!

Bethlehem has never been busier! Caesar's census has the whole town in a frenzy. A local, favorite innkeeper plans to capitalize on the coming crowds. He's decided to make his inn a luxury inn, complete with valet camel hitching and a fig on every pillow. *Miracle on Bethlehem Street* captures the Christmas story in an unforgettable telling with fun and heartfelt songs and dialogue.



GO AND BE A DISCIPLE!

Each week as a whole school, I share with all the students a bible verse and theme for the week. We read the bible verse together every morning in announcements and focus our morning daily prayers around this theme.

Jesus sent his 12 disciples out with the following instructions: "Go...to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, the Kingdom of heaven has come near." Matthew 10:5-7

What does it mean to be a disciple of Christ?

To have a personal and active relationship with Christ.

To share this love and passion with those around you and help them draw nearer to Christ.

How are you engaging with Christ today? How are you engaging with others about Christ? God has so much to offer! Ask him today for a renewal of his love and joy and how to share your testimony with others!



Blessings,
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