



Weekly Newsletter - 9.7.2022

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Upcoming Events

Thursday, September 15th: 6th - 8th Grade Curriculum Night @ 6pm

Tuesday, September 20th: School Picture Day
Preschool - 5th Grade Curriculum Night @ 6pm

Friday, September 23rd: BUNCO night, hosted by Parent Club

2022-2023 Family Handbook

The Family Handbook for the 2022-2023 school year is now available for review. There have been significant updates to this handbook, per Archdiocesan policy. It is expected that each student and parent/guardian read the handbook and make a sincere effort to comply with the regulations, and will support the values of St. Catherine School.

Once you have read the handbook with your child/ren, please log into your [SchoolAdmin Parent Portal](#) and complete the verification form for each of your children. This verification is to be completed by Friday, September 16th.

Non-Uniform & Spirit Day Calendar

"When is Spirit Day? When is the first non-uniform day? I bought free dress passes at last year's auction - when can my student use them?" All these answers and more can be found on the [Non-Uniform & Spirit Day Calendar](#).

Auction Free Dress Passes

If you purchased the 10 free dress passes at the 2022 Auction, your child's first non-uniform day will be September 27th (all other dates are listed in the calendar above). Can't

remember if you purchased the passes, email [Tammy](#) and she would be happy to let you know.

If you missed the chance to purchase the Auction free dress passes or you are a new family, it is not too late! You can purchase all 10 for \$100 which will be charged to your SchoolAdmin account. Please email Tammy Matusak at tmatusak@stcatherineschool.net before Monday, September 26th and we will get your kid/s set for non-uniform fun!

It's that time of year! Let's cheer on our students as they run-to-raise for our school! The Jog-A-Thon kick-off is coming up for our students on Friday 9/16!

Jog-A-Thon is one of St. Catherine's top fundraisers. Our students will raise funds by asking for pledges from family and friends and running around the Jog-A-Thon course on October 7th! It's never too early to start thinking about who they will want to ask and start gearing up for the main event! **MORE INFO TO COME HOME ON 9/16!**

We will need volunteers to help the event run smoothly. Please see the sign up genius. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050a4daeab2da0f85-2022>

Interested in sponsoring the Jog-A-Thon? Own a business or organization? Sponsoring the jog a thon is a great tax deductible way to support your local school and community. Donating is easy! via credit card or paypal. Please click on "donate to main fundraising page" on this link: <https://app.99pledges.com/fund/2022StCatherine>. Please make checks payable to St. Catherine School Parent Club.

We would like to thank Brooks Running for sponsoring our event! Thank you so much for your support!

For any questions please reach out to Lauren Garfield, Maria Finlayson, & Madelyn Sheldon laurenbgarfield@gmail.com, finlayson@yahoo.com, madelynksheldon@gmail.com

Smile! School Picture Day is Almost Here

School Picture Day will be on Tuesday, September 20th. All K-8 students must wear full uniform for picture day.

You can order online now:

- Go to dorianstudio.com and search for "Saint Catherine School"
- Select the order button for the September 20th picture day
- Complete your transaction

Paper picture forms are available in the school office. If you would like one, please let [Amanda Lucero](#) know.

CYO Cross Country

Hello all - I wanted to let you know that Cross Country Registration is open on the CYO Team Sideline Website. Click on "Current Programs" and scroll to Cross Country - [Seattle CYO Athletics \(teamsideline.com\)](http://SeattleCYOAthletics.teamsideline.com).

Practices this year will be right after school on Monday's starting September 12th and running through Monday, October 3rd with our traditional Slurpee Run! We do practices on Monday in order not to interfere with CYO soccer practices allowing kids to participate in both sports if they choose.

The CYO-wide meets will be back at Woodland Park this Fall on Sunday afternoons (also not interfering with CYO Soccer) on the following dates:

Meet 1 – September 18th
Meet 2 – September 25th
Meet 3 – October 2nd: K-3 Championship
Meet 4 – October 9th: 4-8 Championship

Race Distances will be .4 miles for the K-2, .6 miles for 3rd graders, 1 mile for the 4th and 5th graders, 1.35 miles for the 6th and 7th graders, and 1.5 miles for the 8th graders.

Please let me know if you have any questions or are interested in volunteering at the practices/meets - looking forward to a great season!

[Dave Mayer](#)

Pizza Lunch

Back by popular demand...St Catherine School will be offering pizza for lunch on Tuesdays, starting September 20th. Our new pizza vendor this year will be Zeek's Pizza!



The cost will be \$2.50 per slice. Simply click on the button below to enter your order for the first half of the year (September 20th - January 24th). Please be sure to place your order by Friday, September 16th @ 3pm to ensure your child's order for the first half of the year.

On the order page, use the + or - button to specify number of slices and use the drop down to select the kind of pizza, type in student's name and grade, add to cart for each student and pay at checkout.

Questions? Please contact Jeremy & Priscilla Fellows at jeremyfellows@gmail.com and priscillafellows@gmail.com.

Thank you for supporting our Parent Club fundraiser!

[Order Pizza!](#)

2022-2023 Milk Program

Milk is available for any student who would like to participate. If your child would like milk with lunch, please complete the [Milk Program Form](#) and return to the school office (email to [Charlotte](#)) before the first day of school, but no later than Friday, September 9th. Milk will be available on Wednesday, September 7th.

On the registration form, you may choose one 8-ounce carton of 1% white or chocolate milk. The yearly fee is **\$70 per student**, and will be charged to your SchoolAdmin Parent Portal. If your child would like **additional** cartons each lunch, please indicate this on the form and multiply the \$70 fee accordingly.

LUNCH NEWS from Queen Ann Catering

Hello! We are happy to be returning for Lunch Service this year! We will try to get more variety in our choices after getting settled back into the kitchen:)

For new parents, at your convenience, please browse through our website - queenanncatering.com, where you will see how to get signed up on our online pre-ordering system EZSchoolApps.

Menus and access to pre-ordering is now available. Lunch Service begins Wednesday, September 7th. New menus will be posted weekly on Fridays.

Also, in case you know anyone interested in enjoyable part-time work with the Lunch Program, we have an open position at a nearby school. Please contact ann@queenanncatering.com for more details.

Thank you so much and we look forward to serving the St. Catherine families this year!

2022-2023 School Calendar

Here are the key calendar dates for the 2022-2023 school year:

- 1st day of school: Tuesday, September 6th (noon dismissal)
- Fall Conferences: November 3rd-4th (November 2nd will be a noon dismissal)
- Thanksgiving break: November 24th-25th (November 23rd will be a noon dismissal)
- Christmas break: December 19th-30th
- New Year's Day Observed: January 2nd
- President's weekend/break: February 20th-21st
- Easter break: April 10th-14th
- Last day of school: Friday, June 16th (10:30am dismissal after the Moving Up Mass)

Printable PDF copies of the calendars, with lots more events and dates, are available here: [K-8 Calendar](#)
[Preschool Calendar](#)

Please note that dates on these calendars are subject to change and any changes will be communicated to families via the school newsletter as soon as possible.

Band!

We are thrilled to announce that band will be making a return to St. Catherine during the 2022-2023 school year!

Band will be open to students in 4th-8th grade, and will give them an opportunity to learn an instrument and further their musical education outside of music class. Instruments such as the flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet and trombone will be some of the options students can learn in band. Band is a great way to get involved with the community, make new friends, and learn something new!

[Ms. Jones](#) will be holding an informational meeting for any interested families on **Thursday, September 8th at 5:00 pm**. The meeting will take place in the music room, and more information will be provided on the instruments, rentals, practice times and more music.

Fine Arts Club with Mrs. St-Pierre

What is Fiber Arts Club? An after school arts program focusing on sewing and handcraft skills taught by textile artist Mrs. St-Pierre (aka: Luc & Pascal's mom).

When is Fiber Arts Club offered? Fiber Arts Club will be offered this Fall, first trimester, Thursdays after school from 3:15-4:15pm. Duration is 6 weeks.

What will my child learn at Fiber Arts Club? Students will gain hands-on experience in the fiber arts via weaving a wall hanging, hand sewing a stuffy, finger knitting accessories, up-cycling t-shirts, and creating mixed media sculptures. The classes are process-oriented providing students the opportunity to improve their dexterity and problem solving skills by using various tools, materials and techniques.

Who should sign up for Fiber Arts Club? Fiber Arts Club welcomes all genders, levels and abilities from beginner to advanced for students in 2nd-5th grades attending St. Catherine's school.

How do I sign up for Fiber Arts Club? Click below for sign up, details, payment, & policies.

Coding with Kids

LITTLE CODERS Grades K - 2

Tue, 3:15pm-4:15pm
Sep 27 - Nov 29
\$249 / 10-week session



Our Little Coders class is an opportunity for young children to develop their computational thinking skills, build their first programs, and have fun with new friends! The curriculum is designed specifically for early readers and takes into account cognitive abilities as well as the attention span typical for ages 5-7. We use age-appropriate online tools, including Lightbot, Kodable, and Scratch to introduce basic coding skills.

Students learn basic coding concepts, such as Loops and Conditions. They practice these concepts to build simple projects, including games, stories, and drawing and animating game characters. At the end of the course, students will be able to comfortably build simple scratch projects on their own.

Registrations at www.CodingWithKids.com/session/45926

SCRATCH: INTRO TO GAME DEVELOPMENT Grades 3 - 6

Mon, 3:15pm-4:15pm
Sep 26 - Nov 28
\$249 / 10-week session

Begin your coding journey by creating your own games! This course lays down the foundations for future coding success. Students learn basic coding concepts, such as Variables, Loops, and Conditionals and apply these concepts to create interest-based games, mazes, and animated stories. Projects and activities are all designed to allow students to use their creativity while learning coding.

Registrations at www.CodingWithKids.com/session/45927

After School Activities

Are you a skilled artist, cook, baker, or other hobbyist? And want to share your talents with our students? We are looking for parents, or grandparents, that would like to offer and teach an after school class. If this is something you are interested in, please contact [Amanda Lucero](mailto:amanda.lucero@schooladmin.com) in the school office with a proposal.

Extended Care 2022-2023

Registration for Extended Care for the 2022-2023 school year is open in SchoolAdmin.

Once you log into your [Parent Portal](#) account, you will be able to select 'Continue Enrollment Process' under your child/ren's name. The EC Registration Form is located in the 'Optional Steps' section. Please be sure to complete a registration form for each child in your family that will be attending EC next school year. A \$50/child registration fee is due at the time of registration and can be paid via SchoolAdmin.

Immunizations Update

The Department of Health has updated the requirements for the 2022-2023 school year. Students in preschool or kindergarten who are four years old or older on September

1st are required to have the additional dose of DTaP, IPV, MMR and varicella vaccines before the first day of school.

Students with summer birthdays will have less time to get vaccinated before the start of school, so parents should plan ahead and schedule their child's vaccination appointment before the school year starts.

Please send updated records to Charlotte at cvanhollebeke@stcatherineschool.net.

Attendance Procedures

If your child/ren will be absent from school, please notify the school office at attendance@stcatherineschool.net, as well as your child's homeroom teacher, no later than 8:30am on the day of the absence. Advanced notification of the absence (2-3 days before) is also greatly appreciated.

The safety of our students is our number one priority and the office will call home to verify the student's absence if a parent/guardian has not called or emailed.

If you know your child will be tardy due to a medical/dental/personal appointment, the office must be notified for the tardy to be excused. A parent/guardian must accompany a tardy student in to the school office to sign them in for the day.

If your child/ren will be absent from school for 2 or more days of school, please complete a [pre-planned absence form](#) and send it to attendance@stcatherineschool.net at least 2 weeks prior to the absences.

Regular attendance is important to the success of our students. Normally, illness, medical appointments and family emergencies are the only acceptable form of excused absence.

Help our school get \$ back every time you shop at Amazon!

As a participant in the Amazon Affiliate and AmazonSmile programs, a percentage of your Amazon purchases come back to us if you designate "St Catherine" as your charity of choice. Simply [CLICK HERE](#) (this link is also on our website under the "Parents" tab on the far right) to sign in to your Amazon account and place your order as usual (if you haven't signed up for AmazonSmile yet, it's quick and easy). The school will automatically receive a portion of all sales on orders placed through this [unique link](#) which is a combination of the Affiliate and Smile programs.

Thank you!



You shop. Amazon gives.

Fred Meyer/QFC Community Rewards

Fred Meyer/QFC are part of a program called Community Rewards to give back to the community! Each year, Fred Meyer intends to donate \$2.5 million (up to \$625,000 per quarter) to local schools, non-profits, and charitable organizations. Customers can designate where these dollars get spent.

If you are a Fred Meyer customer head to Community Rewards and link your rewards card <https://www.fredmeyer.com/i/community/community-rewards>. When you shop with your rewards card, you'll help earn donation dollars to the charity of your choice. St. Catherine School organization code is AF109. You may select only one non-profit at a time. Also, note

that this does NOT impact your quarterly Rewards or Fuel points. You'll still receive all those benefits on top of this program. Today we have 26 families linked to this program and we still receive rewards. Imagine our rewards if every school family took the time to register!



The graphic is a vertical poster for St. Catherine's Mass Schedule. At the top is a circular logo with a geometric, floral-like pattern. Below the logo, the text 'MASS SCHEDULE' is written in large, bold, black capital letters, with 'ST. CATHERINE' in smaller black capital letters underneath. A horizontal line separates the mass times from the sacraments. The mass times are listed as follows: SATURDAY 5PM, SUNDAY *9:30AM, WEDNESDAY 9AM, and FRIDAY 9AM. Below this, the sacraments and their times are listed: CONFESSION SATURDAY 3:30 - 4:30PM, ADORATION AT ST. BENEDICT 1ST FRIDAY 6 - 7PM, and ANOINTING OF THE SICK 1ST FRIDAY 9AM. A note '*Livestream Available' is placed below the Anointing of the Sick. The bottom section of the graphic has a dark brown background. It features three icons: a rosary, a cross, and hands in prayer. To the right of the rosary icon is the word 'ROSARIES' in large, white, spaced-out capital letters, with 'WEDNESDAY 9:30AM' and 'FRIDAY 9:30AM' listed below it. To the right of the hands in prayer icon is the text 'OPEN FOR PRAYER' in large, white, spaced-out capital letters, with 'FRIDAY 10AM - 12PM' and 'SATURDAY 3:30 - 4:30PM' listed below it.

MASS SCHEDULE
ST. CATHERINE

SATURDAY	5PM
SUNDAY	*9:30AM
WEDNESDAY	9AM
FRIDAY	9AM

CONFESSION SATURDAY 3:30 - 4:30PM
ADORATION AT ST. BENEDICT 1ST FRIDAY 6 - 7PM
ANOINTING OF THE SICK 1ST FRIDAY 9AM
*Livestream Available

ROSARIES
WEDNESDAY 9:30AM
FRIDAY 9:30AM

OPEN FOR PRAYER
FRIDAY 10AM - 12PM
SATURDAY 3:30 - 4:30PM

Mission & Philosophy

St. Catherine of Siena Parish School is a welcoming, Christ-centered community, rooted in the Catholic faith and inspired by Gospel values. As an extension of the parish and with Jesus as our model, we are dedicated to lifelong growth in faith, love, and learning.

We recognize that the care and education of the child begins with the family and that parents are the primary educators of their children. In partnership with parents, we work to promote our students' achievement and spiritual growth. Together we are committed to

developing responsible, ethical leaders who think critically, act justly, communicate effectively, and serve willingly.

Vision

We are committed to providing a faith-filled, inclusive, and welcoming learning environment for all our students. Through our rigorous academic programs, our students will gain the cognitive, technological, and social skills necessary to become ethical, innovative leaders who successfully navigate the complex challenges of today's world.



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