



## Thank a Veteran

Did you know that three of the graduates of the class of 2021 plan to serve in the armed forces (one enlisted and two on ROTC scholarships)? Over the years, numerous MACS graduates and community members have served with valor in our nation's armed forces. On November 11, we remember their service and sacrifice, and all veterans, by celebrating Veterans Day.

This year, MACS will be hosting the community-wide Veterans Day celebration on November 11 at 9:00 a.m. in the high school gymnasium, with guest speaker McDonnell alumnus, Lieutenant Colonel Stephen Gilbertson, U.S. Army. You are most welcome to attend.

Additionally, students of all ages will join forces to present a Veterans Day tribute including Americana music and a presentation honoring the veterans among our MACS community and their families. This event will take place on Sunday, November 14, at 4:30 p.m., during the annual Spaghetti Spectacular fundraiser at the high school.

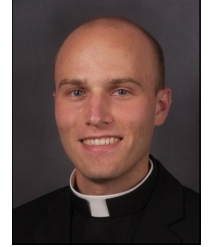
We all know that freedom is not free. To all our veterans, thank you for your service and sacrifice. In this season of Thanksgiving, be sure to thank a veteran. May God bless America!



**Mrs. Molly Bushman**  
MACS President

## Praying for our Dead

*Eram quod es, eris quod sum.* This is an ancient saying coined by the Latin writer Horace, which, translated into English, means "What you are I was; what I am you will be." For centuries this saying has been chiseled into gravestones as a reminder to the living that earthly life is not eternal. While it might seem a little morbid to us, the phrase is a startling reminder of our connection with those who have gone before us: the life we live now, they once experienced, and where they are now, we too will also arrive at. This awareness can help us put our life on this earth in proper perspective. The life that comes after this one is more important because it is eternal. November is the month of the dead in the Church. We ask the saints in heaven to pray for us that one day we may reach where they are, and we pray for the dead who may not yet have attained the glory of heaven. Only Jesus Christ, who lived as one of us on this earth and entered into death for us, only He is capable of recreating us to be what He now is in His glory. How do our lives on earth need to change for Him to form His image in us here and now? This November, we especially pray for the repose of the souls of our relatives and friends, and all benefactors of MACS whom we have lost this past year. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace.



**Fr. Ethan HoKamp**



**Parenting with the heart of Christ.**  
Resources for parents with children of all ages.

[TWL Blog](http://www.twl4parents.com) - twl4parents.com

Details on the Teaching the Way of Love (TWL) program

<http://www.twl4parents.com/>

**MACK  
Chat**  
Involving YOU in our Mission



We have two exciting podcasts scheduled to launch this November.

- November 5– STEM and Overcoming Adversity with Wendy and Rose '13 Buchman
- November 19– Catholic Media with Matt Willkom '98

**Mass Intentions** Would you like an intention said during Mass at the high school? It could be in memory/honor of a friend, family member or a celebration such as an anniversary or birthday. Contact Fr. HoKamp at [e.hokamp@macs.k12.wi.us](mailto:e.hokamp@macs.k12.wi.us). Mass stipend is \$10.

## November EVENTS Full listing on website.

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| <b>Nov 2</b>     | SC/HG Picture Retake Day                           |
| <b>Nov 11</b>    | Veterans Day Program 9 a.m.                        |
| <b>Nov 14</b>    | Spaghetti Spectacular!                             |
| <b>Nov 15</b>    | Spaghetti Business Monday                          |
| <b>Nov 18</b>    | 4K Soup Supper 4:30-6:00 p.m.                      |
| <b>Nov 20</b>    | 36th Annual Country Craft Expo 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. |
| <b>Nov 22-26</b> | <b>No School</b> Thanksgiving Break                |
| <b>Nov 25</b>    | Thanksgiving                                       |
| <b>Nov 25-26</b> | Central Office and Early Childhood Center Closed   |
| <b>Nov 29</b>    | Angel Giving Tree Begins                           |

## Education Technology & Media



Mr. Josh McCormick

Josh McCormick IT Coordinator

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As the beginning of the year rush slows down, we are able to focus more on bigger projects. The Technology Department is continuously working on network upgrades. Our biggest project right now is upgrading our core network switches. This is a big update to the backbone of our network.

We are 2/3rds completed with this project and are scheduled to complete it on

Sunday November 7th. This upgrade will help improve our network speed, reliability and redundancy. We are also currently exploring options to replace our main server. Our current server is fairly old and running out of resources to efficiently run our network.

The IT department also had the opportunity to assist students working with Mr. Bormann on a weather station installation on the west side of McDonell. Here is a picture of the crew along with Father Hokamp, Mrs. Proue and Ms. Ziarnik.



## SCRIP GIFT CARD NEWS



Ms. Kathleen Adams

Kathleen Adams, Executive Administrative

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Thinking about Black Friday/Cyber Monday shopping? The Scrip office will be open extended hours for your Scrip needs. Monday and Tuesday, November 22 & 23, open 7:30-6:00 p.m., Wednesday normal business hours 7:30 to 4:30 p.m. Closed on

Thanksgiving Thursday and Friday.

Please contact me if there is a specific vendor that you would like to have for Black Friday shopping - we still have time to order. Go to [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com) for available vendors.

If you have never used Scrip, this is a prime time to get started. All

Scrip purchased between July 1, 2021 through

June 30, 2022 will be credited to the 2022-23 school year. You can elect to have your credits go either to a current or future student tuition, a local parish or to the overall MACS system.

We are thankful for all of you that support the MACS system and may God bless you and your family this Thanksgiving.



## System Fundraising News



Mrs. Jaynee Brannen

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Mrs. Katrina Geissler

Spaghetti Spectacular

Chairperson

### Come and Spaghet it!

The 14th Annual Spaghetti Spectacular is Sunday, November 14 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. This year we will be back in the McDonell Central Catholic High School gymnasium and commons.

11:00 a.m. - Doors open

11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. - basket raffles

4:30 p.m. - Veterans performance by MACS students in the McDonell auditorium

6:00 p.m. - raffle drawing

Volunteer opportunities are still available. Your help is needed on Sunday, November 14 and Monday, November 15 during the day to deliver meals to area businesses on time. The

more drivers we have the better our service to our supporters. Help us spread the word to area businesses about our special Monday delivery. We will deliver a hot spaghetti meal, with homemade garlic bread and salad, to businesses in the **Chippewa Falls area** on Monday the 15th. Ask your employer to let everyone order in! The order form is in this newsletter and on the website. The bucket raffle baskets can be viewed on the MACS website. Click on the Spaghetti news and announcements on the home page at [McDonellAreaCatholicSchools.org](http://McDonellAreaCatholicSchools.org) With your help, we can achieve our goal of \$20,000!



## 14th Annual Spaghetti SPECTACULAR!

**Sunday, November 14**

**Spaghetti Dinner**

**11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

**Meal Cost: \$10**

McDonell Central Catholic High School

Enter to win fabulous raffle baskets!

**Tickets:** \$3 each, (3) for \$5, arms length (18 tickets) \$25

**Meal:** choice of spaghetti with meat or meatless sauce, garlic bread, side salad, and a cookie.



**Home and School Association (Hands)**Email: [macshomeschool@macs.k12.wi.us](mailto:macshomeschool@macs.k12.wi.us)

Hello families!

We had a wonderful turn out for our fall scavenger hunt in the park! It was great to see all of the families get together and hang out.

Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped us put on yet another great Harvest Hoedown! We could not have done it without you! The kids really enjoyed all of the activities!

Please join us for our next meeting on November 17th at 6pm at Bye the Willow. It is a good way to get involved while chatting with other parents:) We have a few parent volunteers who are unfortunately in their last year because of their child's ages- so we are looking for fresh new families to get involved!

Also, if you are in need of gently used uniforms, let us know because we have more than enough at both St. Charles and Holy Ghost schools.

Chelsey Lindenberg, President  
Barb Berg, Vice President  
Samantha O'Connell, Treasurer  
Ashley Rubenzer, Secretary



**Mrs. Chelsey Lindenberg**  
President

**MACS Athletic Booster Club - Grades 5-12**Email: [mcdathboosters@macs.k12.wi.us](mailto:mcdathboosters@macs.k12.wi.us)

Another year of MACS athletics is off and running. Our student athletes are excited to show off their talents in front of cheering MACS fans and families this year. From the attendance so far I think it is safe to say that everyone is excited to get the family back together to support our athletes!!

A huge thank you to all who came out and supported our Spirit of the Mack's Auction in October, it was a tremendous success. Thank you to our auction chairs and auction committee who met weekly for months and put in hundreds of hours to make sure the event was a success. Thank you to all our community partners and business who donated products, services, and funds. Thank you to all the volunteers who donated their time to the event. This event could not happen without each and every one of you!! Please look in a future newsletter more about Spirit of the Mack's and how it impacts our athletic programs.

MACS is in need of bus drivers for our sports teams this year more than ever. Please consider volunteering your time - we will even help with training. If interested, email Alexis Landherr @ [a.landherr@macs.k12.wi.us](mailto:a.landherr@macs.k12.wi.us) or Greg Misfeldt @ [gregm@northwesternbank.com](mailto:gregm@northwesternbank.com) or call 715.723.9126 to inquire.

Finally, thank you to all the parent volunteers who have stepped up this fall to assist when needed, many times on short notice. Each and every day I am reminded why MACS is so special. Thank you!!



**Ms. Alexis Landherr**  
MACS Athletic Director

**MACS Music Boosters**Email: [macsmusic@macs.k12.wi.us](mailto:macsmusic@macs.k12.wi.us)

Music Boosters have our most important fundraiser of the year coming up on November 20 - the 36th Annual Craft Expo! The Craft Expo is the largest fundraiser for our club, often raising enough to fund fine arts at MACS for the entire year. We need "all hands on deck" in order to staff the Craft Expo. Please watch SignUp for volunteer opportunities on November 19 (event setup) and 20 (day of event).



**Megan McChesney**  
President

In addition to volunteers needed for the Craft Expo, our fine arts staff has identified a few of their needs for volunteer/parent help. Help needed slots include:

- Concession Coordinator for Craft Expo
- Advertising Coordinator for all fine arts events
- Wreath Sale Coordinator
- Parent Supervisors for musical production during January
- Set Design/Creation Supervision for musical (Nov/Dec)
- Costume Supervisor/Custodian for musical
- Concert Attire Stylist and Supervisor (all band concert dates)

The fine arts program was blessed to have had a core group of supporters for many years that have cared for the entire process of putting on a musical, ensuring our sound system for events in the auditorium, and generally helping our staff with all things Fine Arts. COVID was tough on this group of volunteers and we need to take over those activities ourselves. Please contact me, Megan McChesney, or Greta Jorgensen if you would like more information regarding parent help needed in our Fine Arts Program. THANK YOU!

**MACS Faith Booster Club**Email: [faith@macs.k12.wi.us](mailto:faith@macs.k12.wi.us)

Faith Boosters is off to a busy start this year. We have 2 fundraisers for this year. The first will be Brunch with Santa on Dec. 4. This will be before the Christmas parade in Chippewa Falls and will be held at the McDonell Commons. We plan to serve a full breakfast and there will be games, and of course, an opportunity for kids to talk to Santa Claus and take pictures. The exact times are to be announced at a later date.

Our second fundraiser will be our Kids Winter Carnival on Jan. 30 to help kick off Catholic Schools Week. Keep your eye out for more details in weeks to come.

We hope by now you are seeing flyers, emails, and announcements about opportunities for your children to participate in campus ministry events. Dead Theologian Society (DTS) for 8-12 graders had their first meeting on Oct. 17 and Edge for 6-8 graders had their first meeting Oct 22. If your child missed out on these recent meetings keep your eye for future upcoming DTS and EDGE in weeks to come. It's a great opportunity for middle and high school students to explore their faith together in a fun environment. Our next Faith Booster meeting will be Nov. 9 at 7p.m. in the McDonell Library. Please join us in the planning.



**Mr. Rolly Enderes**  
President



## Homecoming Week Highlights

Homecoming Week gave us the opportunity to make some fun memories. There were fun dress up days, an amazing pep rally with all sorts of fun games, and the week really did end with a BANG. Here is a small sample of pictures from the week. Enjoy.





## PRINCIPAL'S CORNER



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### Beginning of Year Reflection

The 2021-2022 school year has started with a different outlook than we had last year. We are definitely striving for "normal". Athletic teams are practicing and playing, students are back in the classrooms with teachers in front of them and we are planning for face to face games and events. COVID hasn't gone away, we still have some staff and students choosing to wear masks, we are still practicing sanitizing and distancing and we have had some isolated cases of COVID-19 with the majority of those being in the middle school in September. From what we are finding, we are having less quarantines because a majority of our staff and a high percentage of our students are vaccinated. We are moving forward with optimism as the school year progresses.

Mr. Brian Schulner

### Senior Trip is Back!

We are excited to announce that the senior class trip tradition is back! As we all know the past two trips were either canceled or not planned due to Covid-19. A tour company by the name of World Strides has set up a senior trip during the last week of March 2022 to Washington DC. Our students will fly to DC and see all of the sites and also have some fun. Students are raising money through wreath sales and will be running the concessions this fall and winter. We have 24 students committed to the trip with a couple still undecided.

## STUDENT AMBASSADOR NEWS



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Mrs. Mary Jacobson

As I write this, the ambassadors are finalizing their plans for the diaper drive. Every year, we try to find ways to make it even more successful, and ways for the students to have a better understanding of the needs in our community. We hope to recognize that by working together and with a small sacrifice, we can make a difference. We look forward to hearing a message from the Chippewa County Foster Care Program, and how our diaper drive helps them. The student council and the student ambassadors are also selling roses with proceeds going to support the diaper drive.

We hope to end the month of October with a visit to a local orchard for some fun activities, some fresh air, some team-building, and some ambassador work.

November ambassador activities include helping at the Spaghetti Spectacular and ringing bells for the Salvation Army, along with the ongoing nursing home newsletters and staff appreciation projects.

*"It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35*

## FINE ARTS NEWS



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The McDonell High School band and choir will be providing music at the local VFW's Veterans Day program on Thursday, November 11 at 9:00 a.m. in the auditorium.

All MACS K-12 choirs will be singing at the Spaghetti Spectacular at 4:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

On Saturday, November 20, the Music Boosters Craft Show is returning in person. Please come out to support the music program!

## SCHOOL MUSICAL NEWS



Mrs. Gretchen Jorgensen

### Presenting: Cinderella

The Theatre program is getting going this year with auditions for Roger's & Hammerstein's Broadway Cinderella just around the corner on November 8, 9 and 10, 2021

High school and middle school students can sign up outside Mrs. Jorgensen's class starting on Monday, November 1, 2021.

We are also THRILLED to have Mr. Frank Rineck join us this year, and he will be doing a play with students in the spring! Audition information will be released at a later date.

## NOTRE DAME STUDENT COUNCIL



Mr. Peter Thoma

Peter Thoma, Student Council Advisor  
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The following students have been elected by their classmates to be members of the Notre Dame Middle School Student Council for the 2021-22 school year.

**Delaney Smiskey** - President  
**Jaidyn Brady** - Vice President  
**Miranda Johnson** - Treasurer  
**Angelo Enderes** - Secretary



**McDonell Central Catholic Youth Rotars**

Congratulations to these students representing McDonell at the Rotary weekly meetings for the 2021-22 school year.

October	Laneyse Baughman
November	Eddy Benedek
December	Lauryn Deetz
January	Sydney Flanagan
February	Sophia Kinlen
March	Vika Kuchma
April	Paige Smiskey
May	Emma Stelter

**Infinite Campus Access Help**

With Infinite Campus, you are able to access your child's homework, lunch balance, grades, report cards, and updates from the school.

If you have any questions on how to use or access Infinite Campus, contact

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Executive Administrative Assistant  
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**GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT NEWS**

Mrs. Ruthann Proue

Mrs. Ruthann Proue, School Counselor  
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**ACT Test**

Juniors should take the ACT at least one time during their junior year. Register online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org). You will need to enter the McDonell school code, which is 500-402.



Ms. Kaitlyn Ziarnik

Ms. Kaitlyn Ziarnik School Counseling Assistant  
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Hi everyone!

It is so hard to believe that I am already in my second year here. Where has the time gone? If I still haven't met you yet, my name is Katelyn Ziarnik and I am the school counseling assistant at McDonell. While I am still not yet a school counselor (I graduate in July!), I have spent roughly the past year learning under the direction of Mrs. Proue and taking graduate school courses online. Even though the last school year was an interesting one, I have really enjoyed getting to know the awesome students, staff, and families which make McDonell a great place to work.

In my role as the school counseling assistant, I am working to the best of my ability to best serve McDonell/ Notre Dame students in the counseling area. I am excited to continue learning and studying throughout the course of this school year as I complete both my practicum and internship experiences. It is great belonging to this lovely and supportive school community. Please feel free to reach out via email or phone with any questions you may have.

Until then, have a lovely day!

**SENIOR GRADUATION NEWS****SENIOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS**

Josten's will be here on Monday, November 1 to meet with your students regarding graduation announcements, caps and gowns. If your son/daughter fails to bring the order form home, it will be **your responsibility** to directly place an order by calling **Jostens** at 715.832.0762. This order needs to be placed **as soon as possible**.

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration
12-11-21	11-05-21	11-19-21
02-12-22	01-07-22	01-21-22
04-02-22	02-25-22	03-11-22
06-11-22	05-06-22	05-28-22
07-16-22	06-17-22	06-24-22

**College Applications**

If seniors have not completed the college application process, they should submit them as soon as possible. A number of schools have a priority deadline date. Be sure to pay attention to those dates so you don't miss out.

**Sophomore Meetings**

Meetings will take place the week of November 15-18. Parents have received invites to schedule their meeting during the week within the hours of 10:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Please check your emails from me for further details.

**Freshmen Meetings**

Meetings will take place the week of December 7-10. Parents will receive invites to schedule their meeting during the week within the hours of 10:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Please check your emails from me for further details.





Mrs. Gretchen Jorgensen

## STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Mrs. Gretchen Jorgensen  
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Student Council is working on several fundraisers and events this fall season!

We had a very successful Homecoming week of events with over eighty-five percent of the student body attending the Homecoming Dance!

We raised money for the Afghan refugees at Ft. McCoy, WI with the help of Mrs. Travis and her husband, and we worked with the Ambassadors to make the Rose Sale and Diaper Drive a success.

### Poinsettia Sale - Order form in newsletter

Poinsettias are on sale through November 21, 2021 on line on the [Student Council MACS web page](#) or by emailing Greta Jorgensen at [g.jorgensen@macs.k12.wi.us](mailto:g.jorgensen@macs.k12.wi.us).

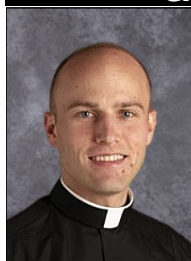
Delivery will be Monday, November 29, 2021 and can be picked up that afternoon from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. We hope you will join us for some holiday caroling in December (time TBA), and fun throughout the holiday season! Thank you for supporting Student Council!

I was asked recently to state what we use our fundraising dollars for...so here you go:

It pays for dances and student extracurricular activities and clubs, Family Night activities, scholarships, graduation extras and costs, donations to families at Christmas, Community Day activities, transportation for special events and special donations that need our help over the year.

Poinsettias are the Student Council's main fundraiser to fund everything we do. We take pride in being as much a philanthropic organization as we are a student activities organization.

## CAMPUS MINISTRY NEWS



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### Middle and High School Youth (and families):

#### Pilgrimage for Life to D.C.

For high school students and their families  
 January 19-23, 2022.

Cost: \$395 (\$435 if you don't have the Diocesan March for Life hoodie).

Some meals not included.

Contact [faith@macs.k12.wi.us](mailto:faith@macs.k12.wi.us) for registration info.

#### Dead Theologians Society (DTS)

For grades 8-12.

Sunday nights 6-8:00 p.m.

At Notre Dame (GREC).

Dinner included.

#### EDGE Middle School Youth Night

For grades 6-8.

7-8:30 p.m.

At McDonell Central Catholic High School.

November 12, December 19.

Parent help needed for supervision and to have EDGE more frequently.

Parents and students: join our free Flocknote messages to hear about events and updates.

Go to [chippewafallsyoungchurch.flocknote.com](http://chippewafallsyoungchurch.flocknote.com) and choose the groups that apply to you to receive updates.

## NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY NEWS

### 14th Annual Support Our Troops

The McDonell National Honor Society (NHS) in partnership with the YMCA and Leinenkugel Brewing Company is collecting goods for the 14th annual Support Our Troops Drive.

**Do you know a person serving over seas?** Send us their address to receive one of our packages. **Deadline is November 12.**

Please send material or cash donations to any school office attention Support Our Troops. Thank you for supporting our community!!

*Look for flyers in this newsletter with details and a list of items needed.*

McDonell  
 Class of 2022  
 Members



Helen Bullard  
 Sophia Kinlen  
 Kallee LeCloux  
 Paige Smiskey  
 Emma Stelter



## Principal's Corner

Mr. Eric Wedemeyer, Principal  
St. Charles/Holy Ghost Schools

Dear Families,

Quarter number one has come to a conclusion, and it has been wonderful to see the progress and growth from our students so far this fall. It also has been inspiring to walk into a classroom and witness our teachers working tirelessly in an attempt to create a path for success for our students. Learning happens through many forms and in different paces. Our mission is always to help our students grow in mind, body, and spirit throughout all stages of the school year.

After a short spike in COVID absentees last month, we seem to have turned the corner as the number of students out due to quarantine are very low in both Holy Ghost and St. Charles. We still, however, recognize that the virus is a serious threat and will continue masking on all school transportations and will also continue to quarantine positive and close contacts to the positive cases. Our plan has been working and I give a lot of credit to our teachers and staff for their implementation of the plan.

We continue to see a growing need for students that could benefit from an adult mentor. Approved mentors will be matched with a child and would come in a few times a month to spend some time with them. Please contact our elementary school counselor, Mrs. Sykora if you or you know of anyone that would be interested in taking on this role. We also have other various opportunities for our parents or grandparents to volunteer in our buildings. Please reach out to me or your child's classroom teacher if you're interested in helping out in some capacity.

Our MACS community is growing and I would like to take this opportunity to reiterate to our new families that I welcome and encourage feedback and thoughts on ways to make our schools better. We exist to serve you and there is nothing more important than satisfaction with our product. Please reach out to me with any concerns or questions and continue to pray with me for the health and safety of our students and staff so that we can continue to direct our young people towards the gospel.

May God be with all of you!



First Graders at St. Charles had a great time at Bushel and a Peck Apple Orchard earlier this month. They have been talking about plant body parts in science and even got to do an apple volcano experiment before the field trip. Mrs. Dodge and Ms. Adams want to extend a big thank you to the parent volunteers for joining them!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

St. Charles and Holy Ghost Schools – November 2021

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| <b>Nov. 1</b>     | All Saints Day<br>HG Mass at 8:30 a.m./SC Mass at 12:10<br>HG All Saints Dress Up Day<br>2nd quarter begins |
| <b>Nov. 2</b>     | SC/HG Picture Retake Day  |
| <b>Nov. 3</b>     | SC Mass at 8:30 a.m.<br>HG Mass at 8:30 a.m. (Grades 4/5)   |
| <b>Nov. 5</b>     | Jeans Day to Support Our Troops<br>SC/HG Report Cards Sent Home   |
| <b>Nov. 8</b>     | MACS Music Boosters Mtg. – 6 p.m. at McD<br>MACS Faith Booster Mtg. – 7 p.m. at McD                         |
| <b>Nov. 10</b>    | SC Mass at 8:30 a.m.<br>HG Mass at 8:30 a.m. (Grades 3/4)<br>MACS Athletic Boosters Mtg. – 6 p.m. at McD.   |
| <b>Nov. 14</b>    | Spaghetti Spectacular – 11 a.m.-6 p.m.  |
| <b>Nov. 16</b>    | MACS Education Commission Mtg. – 5:30 p.m.  |
| <b>Nov. 17</b>    | SC Mass at 8:30 a.m.<br>HG Mass at 8:30 a.m.<br>Home and School Meeting at 6 pm                             |
| <b>Nov 18</b>     | 4K and Kindergarten Soup Supper @ SC  |
| <b>Nov. 22-23</b> | Teacher In-Service Days – <b>NO SCHOOL</b>  |
| <b>Nov. 22-26</b> | Thanksgiving Break – <b>NO SCHOOL</b>   |
| <b>Nov. 25</b>    | <b>Happy Thanksgiving</b>   |
| <b>Nov. 29</b>    | School Resumes<br>Angel Giving Tree Begins  |
| <b>Dec 4</b>      | Bridge to Wonderland Parade   |
| <b>Dec 7</b>      | SC Christmas Concert 12:30 & 5:30   |
| <b>Dec 8</b>      | Immaculate Conception HG 8:30 mass/<br>SC 12:10 Mass  |
| <b>Dec 9</b>      | HG Christmas Concert 12:30 & 5:30   |



## St. Charles “Living Rosary”



Vice Principal Mr. Jerry Smith and students from St. Charles (above) participated in a “Living Rosary”. What a wonderful way to pray to Mary during her special month of October.

## Student Council Elections



Holy Ghost third graders in Mrs. Cheri Miller Van Dyke's class (above) are keepin' it cool wearing sunglasses to show their support for student council elections.

## Student Council elected

The 119 students at Holy Ghost School recently elected their Student Council members for the 2021-2022 school year:

**President** - Felix Stary (Grade 5)

**Vice President** - Sydney Dassow (Grade 4)

### Homeroom Representatives:

**Room 3-102** - Anne Petefish

**Room 3-103** - Aubrey Willkom

**Room 4-201** - Molly Rietschel

**Room 4-202** - Xander Leet

**Room 4-203** - Solveigh Endrud

**Room 5-204** - Landon Cooley

**Room 5-205** - Theodore Petefish

The council meets weekly to decide on special activities and ways to help out the students, staff and school. Bravo to these new Holy Ghost School leaders and to all the students who participated in the council election.



## Fr. Guenther enjoys recess



Fr. Brandon Guenther visits with the third grade class at Holy Ghost during recess (above).





# Fourth grade students visit Moraine Ice Age Trail

On October 7th, the fourth grade class took a field trip to the Moraine Ice Age Trail near New Auburn, WI. It was a lovely day to learn about and walk on the "terminal moraines" (long hills or ridges left by glaciers) and look down at the "kettles" (holes filled with water left by melting glaciers). The guides, both indoors and out, knew their information and presented it well. The fourth graders heartily encourage everyone to take a tour and hike the beautiful land we call WISCONSIN.



Fourth grade students are testing their strength in a friendly tug-of-war contest. (above)



Ms. Abramowicz fourth grade class (above) are enjoying the beautiful weather in New Auburn, WI on the Ice Age Trail.



Two fourth grade boys try their hand at cutting a log with a crosscut saw (above) while visiting the Chippewa Ice Age Reserve.





# Students celebrate MACS Homecoming Week

Staff and students at St. Charles Borromeo Primary School and Holy Ghost School show off their MACS Spirit for Homecoming Week. They celebrated the week with mismatched day, crazy hair/color day, fun socks day, pajama day, and Macks Spirit wear day.



St. Charles Primary School staff (above) show off their colorful mismatch outfits for Homecoming Week.



Holy Ghost staff (above) show off their MACS Spirit.



Sometimes all you need is a little splash of color to brighten your day. Mrs. Cheri Miller Van Dyke's third grade class are wearing their bright colorful socks (left).



Mrs. Dahl's fourth grade class show off their color day spirit with different shades of purple (above).



Mrs. Bekka Beaufeaux and a St. Charles student have some "skele-fun" with their matching pajamas(above).

# LITTLE MACK MESSENGER

NOVEMBER 2021

## WHAT IS HAPPENING IN EARLY CHILDHOOD?

We have been learning all about Fall and Halloween. You can check out some of our fun projects in the hallway! In November we will learn about Thanksgiving and what we have to be thankful for.

Please remember to start sending a jacket, gloves, and hats for your student. The weather is getting chilly but we will still be enjoying our outside time. Also remember to check your child's extra clothes in their backpack to make sure they are seasonally appropriate!

## WHAT IS HAPPENING IN 4K?

We have been busy practicing our letter sounds and tracing our names. We have recently started our journals.

Each week we will answer a question in our journal by drawing a picture of the answer. We also began working on patterns and recalling order. Please make sure your student has appropriate outside clothing for the changing weather.



**Looking Forward**

**November 2**  
**Picture retake day**

**November 5**  
**4K HAS class**

**November 14**  
**Spaghetti**  
**Spectacular**

**November 18**  
**Soup Supper**

**November 23-26**  
**No 4K**

**November 25-26**  
**Early Childhood**  
**CLOSED**







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# SUPPORT OUR TROOPS



## 14TH ANNUAL TROOP CARE PACKAGE DRIVE YMCA OF THE CHIPPEWA VALLEY JACOB LEINENKUGEL BREWING COMPANY

The YMCA of the Chippewa Valley, Jacob Leinenkugel Brewing Company, McDonell Area Catholic Schools National Honor Society, with your help, would like to **SUPPORT OUR TROOPS** by sending them a care package! Show the men and women in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard how much you care! **JUST IN TIME FOR THE HOLIDAYS!**

**DROP OFF ITEMS** at the all YMCA of the Chippewa Valley locations, Leinenkugel's Leinie Lodge or all McDonell Area Catholic Schools by Friday, November 12, 2021.

**ITEMS NEEDED: FOOD, PERSONAL CARE ITEMS,  
FUN ITEMS AND MONETARY DONATIONS.**

Interested in participating? Contact Jim Ignarski at 715-723-2201 or via email at [jignarski@ymca-cv.org](mailto:jignarski@ymca-cv.org)

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## Support Our Troops Care Package Information

### Food Items

Instant Coffee – plain & flavored  
Powdered sweetener  
Powdered creamer – regular/flavored  
Powdered Gatorade  
Powdered hot chocolate  
(with or w/o Mini Marshmallows)  
Powdered hot cider  
Crystal Light – Powdered  
Tea bags – regular & flavored  
5 Hour Energy Drinks  
Slim Jims/ Beef jerky/Beef Sticks  
Crackers & Cheese-(Packets)  
Pringles  
Candy (M&M's are great, hard candy,  
anything that won't melt)  
Licorice, Gum/Bubble Gum/lollipops  
Rice Krispie Treats  
Microwave popcorn  
Granola Bars/Power Bars  
Dried Fruit  
Chex Mix  
Instant soup/ Dinty Moore  
Ramen Noodle Soup  
Tuna or chicken – canned or packages  
Ravioli, Spaghettios, Mac & Cheese  
Spices /Garlic powder  
Tabasco Sauce/A1 Sauce/BBQ Sauce  
Summer Sausage  
Instant Oatmeal (single serving packs)  
Fruit Roll Ups/Fun Fruits

### Practical Personal Items

Baby Wipes – unscented preferred  
\*No anti-bacterial items  
Disposable Razors  
Scrunches/Barrettes  
Female Sanitary Products  
Non aerosol shaving cream  
Soap or body wash  
Shampoo/conditioner-hotel size great

### Deodorant

White Calf Socks, T-shirts  
Wool Socks – Winter Afghanistan  
Eye drops, especially for the desert  
Contact Lens Cleaner  
Chap stick/Lip Balm  
Breath mints  
Tooth brushes/Dental Floss  
Sun Block/Sun Glasses  
Lotion-Hand & Body  
Post Shaving Lotion  
Baby Powder  
Foot Powder  
Foot Warmers  
Hand Warmers  
Combs & Brushes  
Cotton balls, Nail Files  
Batteries – AA & AAA  
Phone Cards-International  
Paperback books/Magazines-sports/hunting/  
fishing/romance/fashion/craft/hobby-new/  
read  
Small metal mirrors  
Disposable cameras, film  
Sudoku puzzles/Cross Word Puzzles  
Journals, Pens & Crayons

### Toys:

Squirt Guns/Frisbees/Dart Boards  
Small flash lights  
Hackie sacks, Yoyos/Jump Ropes/Fidget  
Spinners  
Small travel games  
Ziploc Bags: Snack, sandwich, quart & gallon

### Christmas items:

Christmas candy  
Santa hats/Reindeer Antlers  
Christmas Decorations  
Christmas Cards/Signed from you  
to a soldier



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# McDonell High School Student Council's Annual Sale of



# POINSETTIAS

# \$13

**Orders are DUE by Sunday, November 21st!**

Order **ONLINE** at <https://forms.gle/PGPEV6gvv7dqZKwFA>

or by **EMAIL** at [mcd.s.council@macs.k12.wi.us](mailto:mcd.s.council@macs.k12.wi.us).

**PICK UP DATE:** McDonell High School on Monday, November 29, 2021 from 1:30-4p or delivery by Student Council within the immediate Chippewa Falls Area.

These beautiful plants are perfect for gifts for your piano teacher, your neighbor, your daycare provider, those in the nursing home, your boss, the grandparents and special friends. They are also beautiful for your home, school and office decorating.

### *COLD WEATHER CAUTION:*

Poinsettias are extremely sensitive to the cold. Each plant will be wrapped in pretty foil and placed in a plastic sleeve when you pick them up. You **must** protect them from the cold air. You cannot leave them in your vehicle or uncover them until they are in a warm environment.

Please submit cash or a check payable to "McDonell Area Catholic Schools" (or "MACS") for total order **upon receipt**.

PLEASE ENTER THE NUMBER OF PLANTS YOU WOULD LIKE FOR EACH COLOR:

Red Poinsettias \_\_\_\_\_ White Poinsettias \_\_\_\_\_ Pink Poinsettias \_\_\_\_\_

I will pick them up \_\_\_\_\_

I need them delivered \_\_\_\_\_ (include address)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address (for deliveries only) \_\_\_\_\_



*Thank you for supporting Student Council at McDonell Central Catholic High School!*

# *Craft Country Expo*

## **36th Annual Craft Show**

### **Saturday, November 20, 2021**

**9:00 AM – 3:00 PM**  
**McDonell Central**  
**Catholic High School**  
1316 Bel Air Blvd  
Chippewa Falls, WI



**Concessions featuring homemade pastries and soups**

**\$2.00 Admission**

**Over 80 Exhibitors**

**Sponsored by the McDonell Area Catholic Schools Music Boosters**





**Dead  
Theologians  
Society**

# DTS

**for 8th-12th Grade Students  
in the Chippewa Valley**



*Dead to the World - Alive in Christ*

**Starting October 17**

**Sunday Nights  
from 6-8pm**

Social Time: 6-6:30pm

DTS: 6:30pm

Dinner to follow

## **What is DTS?**

An evening for young people to gather to encounter the real lives of the Saints, to have fun, and to enjoy a meal together.

## **Notre Dame GREC**

(Meet in the youth room upstairs)

22 S. Prairie Street

## **Adult Help Needed!**

If interested in getting involved or for more information,  
contact [faith@macs.k12.wi.us](mailto:faith@macs.k12.wi.us)

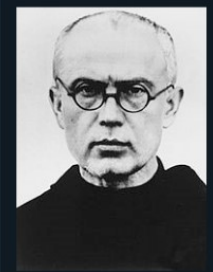
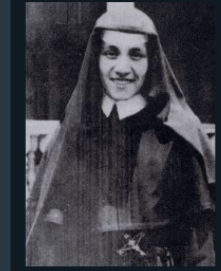
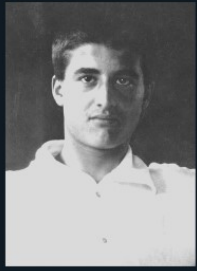
ADORATION + CONFESSION

FERVORINO

FOOD + FELLOWSHIP

HAPPY HOUR

# SOURCE + SUMMIT



## EVENT FOR ALL YOUNG ADULTS (20s + 30s) EVERY 4TH THURSDAY OF THE MONTH

**6:30PM - PRAYER**

**ADORATION + CONFESSION**

**FERVORINO - 7PM**

**PRAISE + WORSHIP**

**7:30PM - FELLOWSHIP**

**FOOD**

**HAPPY HOUR**

**GAMES + SPORTS**

**THE CHURCH OF NOTRE DAME  
117 ALLEN ST, CHIPPEWA FALLS**

**QUESTIONS OR NEED MORE INFO? EMAIL [OUTREACH@CHURCHOFNOTREDAME.ORG](mailto:OUTREACH@CHURCHOFNOTREDAME.ORG)**



14th Annual

# Spaghetti SPECTACULAR!

Dine  
In

Sunday, November 14

11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

McDonell Central Catholic High School

1316 Bel Air Boulevard • Chippewa Falls

MEAL \$10

Menu includes:

Spaghetti with  
meat or meatless sauce

Deacon Dan's homemade garlic bread  
side salad and dessert.



## BUCKET RAFFLE BASKETS

Classrooms created theme baskets valued at \$200+ and will be raffled the day of the event. View them online two weeks before the event at [McDonellAreaCatholicSchools.org](http://McDonellAreaCatholicSchools.org)

18 Tickets for \$25 • 6:00 Drawing



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#SpagSpec



Example of a past raffle basket.

# MACS 14th Annual Spaghetti SPECTACULAR!

Hot Spaghetti Lunch  
delivered (Chippewa Falls ONLY)

Monday, November 15

(Meal includes spaghetti, homemade garlic bread and salad)



Order Monday's meal by fax or email to:

MACS Spaghetti Lunch  
FAX 715-723-1501

EMAIL [spaghetti@macs.k12.wi.us](mailto:spaghetti@macs.k12.wi.us)

ORDER BY **Friday, November 12 at 4:00 PM**

Thank you for your order!

Questions? Call 715.723.0538

#SpagSpec

*Can't do a delivery on Monday?*

**Dine-In!**

Sunday, November 14

11:00 - 6:00 p.m.

McDonell Central Catholic High School

MEAL **\$10**

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## TAKE OUT ORDER FORM

Business & Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Delivery Instructions: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E/Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Spaghetti with meat sauce \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Spaghetti with meatless sauce \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Salad Dressings: French \_\_\_\_ Ranch \_\_\_\_

Payment due on delivery Total Order: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payable to: McDonell Area Catholic Schools (MACS)

### Delivery Time Preference

Between 11:00 - 11:30 \_\_\_\_\_

Between 11:30 - 12:00 \_\_\_\_\_

Between 12:00 - 12:30 \_\_\_\_\_

Between 12:30 - 1:00 \_\_\_\_\_