



SIENA
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OF RACINE
WITH FORWARD EDUCATION

HAPPY SCHOOL YEAR!

Welcome to the Siena Catholic Schools Community Newsletter!

Here, we hope to inform you of the happenings system wide and make connections within our communities and schools. You will always find a handy calendar of events on the final page.

Know of someone or something we should feature? Share with us!
Need an school related event posted? Please tell us!
Have questions that may help others too? Ask us!

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WE'RE EXCITED TO SEE YOU!

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

“We are committed to educating in a Catholic learning environment rooted in Christ's teachings and characterized by academic excellence, servant leadership, student diversity, personal accountability and respect for every individual.”



GOD CALLS, THEATER ANSWERS

MULTIPLE PARISHES COME TOGETHER TO PRODUCE CHILDREN'S MUSICAL

Mornings this summer at St. Paul's Parish have been a flutter with approximately thirty children and their directors preparing the summer musical "Go, Go Jonah!" A tale of answering God's call and learning that God is always present in our lives.

Jonah was called by God to go to Nineveh to dispel the evil that had been happening. Through a series of, what one could call unfortunate events, Jonah learns it is more difficult to turn away from God's call than to answer it. Through their own hard work and dedication, these children excitedly shared the story of Jonah with the greater community.

Spearheaded by Julie VanMatre who served as music director.

Amy Walschlaeger, the Director of Religious Education (DRE) at St. Paul's, worked on acting and choreography.

Dan O'Connell, Theology teacher at St. Catherine's and previous DRE from St. Joseph's, inspired the children with educational talks on Jonah and Nineveh. He also assisted with materials and props.

Additionally, there were a half dozen volunteers who taught and supervised. Parishioners generously donated materials and money to help make this show come to life.



We hope you enjoyed the show!

It was a WHALE of a time!



BRENDA'S MESSAGE

GRATEFUL THOUGHTS AS THE NEW YEAR BEGINS

*And now we
welcome the
new year. Full of
things that have
never been.*

Rainer Maria Rilke

I hope each of you enjoyed a great summer. As we begin our first year together as Siena Catholic Schools of Racine, I thank our parents, staff, supporting parishes, the Racine Dominican Sisters, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, and our many benefactors who make Catholic education possible. It takes all of us working together to bring our Catholic values and beliefs to life in our classrooms every day for our students.

In the year ahead, a team of over 175 staff members will welcome more than 1600 students into our six Catholic schools.

Our schools and staff members have an amazing opportunity to help each child develop his/her God-given talents in the months ahead. As president of Siena, I pledge to work with our leadership team, staff, Board of Directors, Board of Trustees, and dedicated volunteers to provide the resources needed to make great things happen. As a team of educators, we pledge to put faith first in our classrooms and set high expectations for student behavior and academic success.

Regards,

Brenda White
President

School Safety Grant!

Siena Catholic Schools of Racine received \$66,948 from the Wisconsin Department of Justice this month, adding to the lengthy list of schools taking a slice of \$100 million in designated funding for school safety.

The grants are part of the department's School Safety Initiative, set up in the spring after the deadly school shooting in Parkland, Fla. Grant funds will be used for building safety improvements such as shatter resistant film on main entrances, securing building entryways, telephones in all classrooms and more.



QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Have questions? Email us! communications@sienacatholicschools.org

FOOD SERVICE UPDATE

TAHER WELCOMES YOU TO THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR!

TAHER'S FOOD4LIFE MENU OFFERINGS INCORPORATE CHEF-DEVELOPED, MADE-FROM SCRATCH ITEMS, WHICH ARE TRANS-FAT FREE AND CONTAIN HEALTHY WHOLE GRAINS. A FRUIT & VEGETABLE BAR IS PART OF EVERY MEAL WITH UP TO 5 CHOICES OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES EVERY DAY! THERE ARE LOTS OF CHOICES WITHIN OUR MEAL SERVICE.

THE HOW...

MEAL MAGIC is used to process student breakfast, lunch, snack and A la Carte purchases. It is like a checkbook and money needs to be in the account in order for purchases to be made. Students will be issued a pin number which is used to make purchases from the account.

Payments can be made by: Drop Box located in the school OR www.SendMoneyToSchool.com

For FREE or REDUCED MEAL APPLICATIONS, please log onto www.lunchapp.com to fill out a F/R application or return a paper copy to the school office as soon as possible. The NSLP program provides federal funds for students to receive F/R breakfast, lunch and snacks throughout the school year. The program is NOT related to the SCHOOL CHOICE program and an application must be filled out to receive the benefit as it is not automatic. Student confidentiality is protected in the lunch line.

2018-19 MEAL PRICES

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

BREAKFAST		LUNCH	
Student Paid	\$1.50	Student Paid	\$2.95
Student Reduced	\$0.30	Student Reduced	\$0.40
Adults	\$2.00	Adults	\$3.55
Extra Milk	\$0.50	Extra Milk	\$0.50

ST. CATHERINE'S MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

BREAKFAST		LUNCH	
Student Paid	\$1.50	Student Paid	\$4.40
Student Reduced	\$0.30	Student Reduced	\$0.40
Adults	\$2.00	Adults	\$4.90
Extra Milk	\$0.50	Extra Milk	\$0.50



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A FRESH LEADERSHIP PERSPECTIVE AT ST. LUCY'S

MRS. AMY JARMUZ-KLUTH SAYS, "BRING ON THE BEAUTIFUL SMILING FACES!"

While we were all enjoying the sun and sand, Siena Catholic Schools has gotten an energy boost this year with 4 new principals taking the helm at St. Lucy's, St. Rita's, St. Joe's and Our Lady of Grace Academy. Filling the shoes of the veteran principals who came before them won't be an easy task. However, these 4 women we will feature bring an abundance of education, experience and heart to their new roles!



Please give an energetic Siena Catholic Schools welcome to Mrs. Amy Jarmuz-Kluth!

Before joining Siena Catholic Schools of Racine as St. Lucy's Principal, I had been enjoying the role of Principal for 3 years with the Milwaukee Archdiocese at the Southside of Milwaukee School. Before that, I was a Middle School Science Specialist and Social Studies teacher at the Milwaukee Archdiocese for 9 years and for 2 years in the Franklin Public Schools. I am really looking forward to bringing my leadership perspective as the new Catholic School Principal of St. Lucy's.

I officially started on July 9 and have been doing a great deal of learning about the St. Lucy School community. One thing that strikes me about St. Lucy's is how many of the school families have been a part of the community for generations. It's incredible to hear the stories and memories about their time as students. It shows me how much they love, and how important, St. Lucy School is to them.



FUN FACTS



- ♥ Married best friend, Curtis
- ☕ We met working at Summerfest
- ♥ They have a gymnastics and science loving daughter, Isabella
- 🐾 Adopted sibling rescue black labs, the dynamic duo, brother Chooley and sister Charlee
- 🇺🇸 Loves being from Wisconsin
- 🏕️ Enjoys camping with family and friends
- 🎡 Big fans of Disney Cruises!



September 09 - October 06

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 09	10	11 St. Lucy*	12 OLOGA*	13 St. Rita*	14 JPIIA* Feast of Triumph of the Holy Cross	15
16 National Play-Doh Day!	17	18 National Cheeseburger Day	19	20	21 Feast of St. Matthew the Apostle	22 Party on the Pavement 12p - 7p
23	24 Feast of Our Lady of Mercy	25	26 National Pancake Day	27	28 NO SCHOOL St. Catherine's*	29 St. Catherine's* Feast of the archangels, St. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael
30	OCTOBER 01	02 St. Joseph*	03 JPIIA*	04 NO SCHOOL Feast of St. Francis of Assisi	05 NO SCHOOL	06 St. Rita*

ALL SIENA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

22 - Party on the Pavement: Downtown Racine, Main & 6th Streets, 12:00pm-7:00pm. Join us for downtown Racine's best family-friendly street festival!

JPIIA:
14 - SPA meeting, 7:45am
Oct 3 - School Committee Meeting, 6pm

OLOGA:
12 - School Pictures, Dress-up Day

ST. CATHERINE'S:
28 - McGuire-Letsch Golf Outing & Dinner, 12:15pm golf begins at Ives Grove, dinner/reception 5:30pm at Roma Lodge.
29 - Athletic Hall of Fame, 4pm-6pm in St. Catherine's cafeteria. doors open at 3:30pm

ST. JOSEPH:
Oct 2 - Picture Retake Day

ST. LUCY:
11 - Home & School Meeting, 6pm

ST. RITA:
13 - Fall Photos
Oct 6 - Oktoberfest

Looking Ahead...

October 20: Soles Walk for Education, Mount Mary University, Milwaukee, WI

October 25: Parent Teacher Conferences

October 26: No School

November 09: St. Rita's The Royal Affair: Dinner and Auction, 5:30pm-9:30pm, St. Rita Gymnasium