

Saint Bridget Parish School

135 E. Division Street

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St. Bridget Parish School is a welcoming, innovative Catholic community which focuses on faith, family, and individual academic excellence-fostering living examples of God's presence in our world.

November 29, 2023

Advent Season

We look forward to celebrating the season of Advent. Each Tuesday of Advent our 8th grade student leaders will guide the students and staff in an Advent Ceremony. Students in PreK through 4th grade are also each bringing home an Advent Calendar to use as we anticipate Christmas. The 5th, 6th and 7th grade students painted Advent themed windows for all to enjoy as you drive by. Please be sure to check them out.

Poinsettia Sale

The Poinsettia orders will arrive on Thursday, 11/30 please stop by and PICK UP your orders! A Facebook post will be made once orders are ready for pick up.

Holiday Happenings

Holiday Happenings is this Saturday, December 2 in the school gym. The school will be selling the concessions that day. This is the one fundraiser that supports our athletic programs for the entire school year. The Holiday Happenings craft sales portion of the event supports the Council of Catholic Women.

WE NEED HELP! Below is the link for parent volunteers to sign up to help in the kitchen during this event. Middle School parents of athletes are encouraged to sign up. [Holiday Happenings: Volunteers for the Holiday Happenings Event \(signupgenius.com\)](https://signupgenius.com/go/8050449A9AD28A5FB6-45976946-holiday)

DONATIONS NEEDED! Below is the link for donations needed to make the Holiday Happenings concessions possible. Monetary donations will be used to purchase other items needed for the day. We would like donations to be brought into the school no later than Wednesday, November 29th (unless fresh pie or baked goods) so we can start assessing what needs to be purchased to make the menu complete. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050449A9AD28A5FB6-45976946-holiday>

Home & School Association News

Special thank you to all who contributed to the November Celebration Station for the St. Bs Staff! The pies were yummy!

Our next meeting will be on December 5 at 4pm. All are welcome to join us in the St. Bs Elementary Computer Lab. Students may go to After Care at no cost while parents attend the meeting.

Message from the Gala Committee!

The Gala is one of our parish's largest fundraisers and we need your help to make it successful again this year! Buy your tickets BEFORE December 15th and be entered in an early bird raffle drawing for a special prize the night of the Gala! Tickets are now available, please visit this website to learn more and to purchase tickets <https://one.bidpal.net/stbgala2024>

Your student(s) should have brought home a flyer asking how your family plans to be involved in this years Gala. Please return the **Gala Involvement flyer by December 5th** to help with planning.



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Looking for a way to contribute to the St. Bridget Parish School Gala but not sure how to start? We are looking for volunteers to solicit donations! With just 2-3 hours of total time commitment, you can be a huge help and support the Gala, our largest school fundraiser! Simply let the Office or Gala Chair, Angie Gasior know you are interested in being a Donation Volunteer. You will be provided a short list of potential & returning donating businesses and instructions on follow-up. It's as easy as that and your help can have a huge impact! Email office@stbparish.com or Angie at angiegasior13@yahoo.com

And as always, ALL are welcome to participate or come check out what the Gala planning looks like! Upcoming meeting dates are 12/6 and 1/3 at 6pm, venues will be announced as we get closer, join us for some Gala updates and a social hour!

St. Bridget Basketball

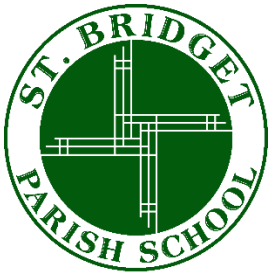
Basketball season has begun! Please visit the following links to view the game schedules for our student participants! [Basketball Boys \(stpaulcaa.org\)](http://stpaulcaa.org) [Basketball Girls \(stpaulcaa.org\)](http://stpaulcaa.org)

Saint Bridget School Core Principles:

Prayer - Respect - Responsibility - Community - Stewardship – Excellence

Upcoming Important Dates and Feast Days:

December 2	Holiday Happenings Fundraiser
December 3	First Sunday of Advent
December 5, 12 & 19	Advent Ceremony in the Gym @ 9am (led by 8 th Grade)
December 5	Home & School Meeting 4pm
December 5	Prelude Tryouts (during lunch recess students interested should see Mrs. Richardson)
December 6	No Student Mass, St. Nicholas Day (PreK will deliver St. Nick treat)
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December 8	Student Mass, Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary
December 9	First Reconciliation (2 nd grade 9am at church)
December 14	Christmas Program 6:30 pm (12/21 backup date)
December 19	Executive Board Meeting
December 19	Spirit Family Activity 9:15-9:45 Make lap pillows for Comforts of Home Residents
December 20	Costume Carolers (sit on the black line as a class, time TBD)
December 21	Spirit Wear Day-those who choose may wear Christmas attire, red or green (or uniforms) Christmas Parties in classrooms, Grades K-4 Comforts of Home (bus leaves at 9:45 back by 11:20)
December 22-January 1	No School. Holiday Break
December 25	Solemnity of the Nativity of Our Lord
December 31	Feast of the Holy Family
January 1	Solemnity of Mary
January 2	School Resumes
January 8	Solemnity of the Epiphany



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Photos:

Our PreK Turkeys enjoyed welcoming their families in for a Charlie Brown Thanksgiving Feast!



Middle School students created Advent themed windows.

