

ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC SCHOOL

The St. Benedict Catholic School community is committed to educating the whole child in a Christ-centered Benedictine environment, with the ultimate goal of fostering Christian disciples.

SBCS/Parish Website – www.stbenedictcatholic.org
EduConnect – Grades K-8 – <http://stbenedict.eduk12.net>
(For lunch balances, lunch payments via PayPal, and review of grades)



September 29th, 2017



Looking ahead:

- ❖ **Saturday, September 30** – NEKL Volleyball Tournament 9:00am @ Oskaloosa
- ❖ **Sunday, October 1** – National Life Chain 2:00 – 3:00 (Great service hour opportunity! Take a stand!)
- ❖ **Sunday**
- ❖ **Wednesday, October 4** – Late Start Day for K – 8; classes begin at 9:00
- ❖ **Thursday, October 5** – Fun Food Thursday and Non-uniform day
- ❖ **Thursday, October 5** – Football vs Pleasant Ridge @ MH-MA 5:30
 - 8th Grade Football athletes honored at 5:20pm
 - 8th Grade Volleyball athletes honored at halftime.
 - All SBCS students enter the football game for FREE!!!
- ❖ **Friday, October 6** – First Grades annual Johnny Appleseed Day
- ❖ **Thursday, October 12** – Football vs. Oskaloosa @ MH-MA 5:30pm
- ❖ **Friday, October 13** – End of 1st quarter – noon dismissal; PTC Raven Run follows 8:15 Mass – parents welcome! School of Faith for teachers in the afternoon.
- ❖ **Monday, October 16** – Girls Basketball @ Oskaloosa, 4:30pm
- ❖ **Tuesday, October 17** – SBCS McDonald's Night – 4:00 – 7:00pm
- ❖ **Wednesday, October 18** – Fall Sports Recognition for athletes and parents in the Commons, 6:00pm; watch for invitation!



Message from the Principal!

Dear Parents,

September ends and the beauty of the fall season, beautiful sun rises, and cool temps await us! Enjoy the changing of the seasons! Your children were treated to a surprise assembly on Wednesday afternoon when the Windy City Players out of Chicago returned to our school and presented *Robin Hood*. The production prompted lots of audience participation and laughter. More importantly, the fictional character of Robin Hood some lessons for all of us. He showed us to give away freely, sharing to make life better for others. He showed us how to make life fun, to joke, dance, and celebrate. Most importantly, he taught us to be committed to our passion and do the right thing. May a Robin Hood live in each of us!

Blessings,

Diane Liebsch



Congratulations Junior Fire Marshalls!

The Atchison Fire Department's Junior Fire Marshall program concluded last week with the recognition of the 4th Grade Junior Fire Marshall and two assistants. The students were selected based on their classroom performance on many written activities in the program as well as the final test. Congratulations to Junior Fire Marshall Jaxon Vice, and to his two assistants, Kaitlyn Folsom and Allison Haupt. We are proud of you!



Raven Run – Keep Shooting for the Prizes!

Raven Run Chairpersons Jennifer Tuftte and Ashly Hundley visited with students last Monday and explained the recognitions in this year's Raven Run. All students are asked to turn in \$5.00 to participate in the Run. An additional \$10 earns the student a shirt. Additional money earns the students raffle tickets for some wonderful prizes. The committee reports we are halfway to our goal. **All proceeds from this year's Raven Run will be set aside for the renovation of our school playground! Thanks for asking your family, friends, and neighbors to support your child in this year's fundraiser!** Submit money through October 11.



Atchison Life Chain 2017 Sunday, October 1st - Help Kick off ProLife Month at SBCS!

Come and join fellow parishioners and others from the community on Sunday, 2 - 3 p. m., at the intersection of Hwy 59 and 10th Street in providing a peaceful, prayerful, pro-life, public witness. Miss Hart, Mrs. Minnis, and others will stand for life and kick off ProLife activities at SBCS! Pray for respect for all human life from conception to natural death. Signs will be provided. Bring your whole family. Rain or shine. Feel free to bring a lawn chair if you wish. This is a great pro-life activity for those of all ages! Middle school students may count this as a service hour.



Successful Parent – Teacher Conferences!

Thank you, parents! SBCS Teachers have met with 95% of our students' parents thus far. Just a few more on our schedule! Conversations were helpful to teachers and we hope parents benefitted as well! Your time is appreciated!



RAVEN RUNNING CLUB

The SBCS Raven Running Club continues to meet every Tuesday and Thursday throughout October, meeting at SBCS in the Senecal Gym Lobby at 6:30am. Students in grades 4-8 are welcome to come and run a few miles before school. Parents are also welcome to join us on our runs. Students may return home at about 7:00am to prepare for their day, or they may bring their school uniform to change into in the locker rooms at school. Breakfast is available in the Commons for these students at 7:20. Email ahart@benedictine.edu with any questions!



Book Drive in our Parish Churches

Several Benedictine students have organized their "Builders of Community" project and have invited our school and parish to join them. These students want to promote the value of reading aloud to infants, toddlers, and preschoolers. Reading aloud teaches young children about communication, numbers and letters, shapes. It builds memory and gives toddlers information about the world around them. The BC students hope to collect books appropriate for toddlers and preschoolers and give them to families in our community through the various non-profit agencies that serve those in need. **Your child may bring a gently used book to school on any Mass day and drop it off when entering church.**



All Creatures Great and Small: The Blessing of the Animals

Who: The entire community is invited! All of God's creatures are welcome!

Please be sure they are leashed, in carriers, and other animals are safely secured.

Where: St. Patrick Church - south of Atchison, about 10 acres for trailer parking available
19384 234th Road, Atchison KS (gather at the southwest side of church)

When: Sunday, **October 1**, 2017 2pm – Gathering of animals & owners for a group blessing, followed by individual blessings for all other animals by Father Jeremy.

The Blessing of Animals originated in the thirteenth century in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals and the environment, who believed that all animals should be treated with dignity and respect.

SBCS Yearly Survey Link – Complete by October 13.
One or both parents from each family is asked to complete the survey.
<http://eprovesurveys.advanc-ed.org/surveys/#/action/34289/3316>

Or....go to www.stbenedictatchison.org/school
The link is on the front page article and will remain until Friday, October 13.



Lunches October 2nd – October 6th



- ❖ **Monday:** Corn dog; French Fries; Baked Beans; Fresh Fruit; Milk
- ❖ **Tuesday:** Sloppy Joe; Ranch Tri Tater; Green Beans; Mixed Fruit; Milk
- ❖ **Wednesday:** Baked Drumstick; Mashed Potatoes/Gravy; Seasoned Peas; Pineapple tidbits; Hot Roll; Milk
- ❖ **FUN FOOD THURSDAY:** Beef, Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza; Lettuce Salad; Sun Chips; Cherry Tomatoes; Chocolate Chip Cookie; Assorted Fresh Fruit; Milk
- ❖ **Friday:** Ham Slice; Macaroni & Cheese; Green Beans; Mandarin Oranges; Milk