

St. Michael Swords News

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*to be friendly, respectful, responsible
and Christ-like*

Vocation Cross Program

St. Michael Catholic School has implemented the Vocation Cross Program for our school families. This program was developed to promote fervent and devotional prayer for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and the consecrated religious life. This program offers a method that encourages praying for religious and priestly vocations in our school families.

Each week, the Vocation Cross is passed to another school family at the mass on Friday. By accepting the cross, the family agrees to pray for our students to discern what God is calling them to do: single life, married life, priest, or consecrated religious men and women. A Vocations Prayer is sent with the cross, or you may use one of your own. Return the cross and this prayer on the following Thursday so we can send them to the next family.

So far, the Herzik, Janak, and Davis families have received the cross. Tomorrow, the crosses will go to the Hubenak, Elstner, and Forrest families.

There is no mass tomorrow, but we will be having a prayer service for the Memorial of St. Jerome.

Students do not need to wear Mass uniforms tomorrow. They should wear their daily uniforms.

HSA CORNER

Our annual Otis Spunkmeyer fundraiser packets will be handed out next Monday, October 3rd. Orders are due by Thursday, October 13th. Check out details in the letter on how your family can earn an incentive for participating, and how our school can win an additional \$2,500!

Profits from our first two fundraisers of the year:

Ammansville Picnic Cake Walk – \$858.45

Dubina Picnic - \$3,416.88 from ring toss, goldfish ping pong, train ride, hamburgers, and cake walk, and **\$3,000** from Dubina for assisting with the picnic prep and meal

Fundraising goal for both picnics - **\$5,750**

Actual profit - **\$7,275.33**

Thank you all for making our first fundraisers of the year such a success!

See you all at Night on the Town Saturday!

***Next week is National 4-H week!
4-H members may wear their 4-H shirts next
Tuesday, October 4th.***

Mini-cheerleaders and mini-football boys may wear their purchased fundraising shirt to school on Wednesday, October 5th.

Uniform bottoms should be worn each day.

Archeology Day 2022

The Kreische Brewery and Monument Hill State Historic Sites will host the second annual Archeology Day on October 8th from 10:00 until 3:00. A special admission fee of \$1 will apply to local students. Admission fees will be waived for local educators, with school ID. Regular admission fees apply to parents, guardians, and other visitors. See the enclosed flyer for more details.

Blessing of Animals

On October 4th, the Church honors St. Francis of Assisi, born in Italy in the 12th century. The son of a rich merchant, Francis chose to give up his wealth. Instead, he chose to live a simple life of prayer, poverty, and preaching about God's love. Within twelve years, Francis had inspired more than 5,000 men to follow his prayerful way of life and leave aside the material riches of this life for the greater treasures of heaven.

We will have our annual blessing of animals on **Friday, October 7th**, beginning at **11:30 a.m.** Please be sure your animals are in a cage or container or are on a leash.

School will be dismissed at noon on Friday, October 7th for the monthly faculty meeting.

***That Man Is You is continuing on Fridays. Take the first step in being a better Christian male leader by joining us at the Schulenburg KC Hall, starting with breakfast at 6am.
Call/text Mark Hudec at
713.854.1335 for further details.***

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. Everyone is invited to join us as we pray the Rosary each Thursday during October at 2:40.

Altar Servers

Altar servers this Saturday are Brandt Kahanek, Sarah Jane Berger, and Owen Berger.

Altar servers on Sunday at 7:30 are Tucker Janak and CCD students.

Altar servers on Sunday at 10:30 are Dawson Brandt, Andie Melnar, and Emily Wied.

SMCS Sports

Football

The Swords' football team will resume play against Trinity next Wednesday, October 5th at 6:00 at the Weimar ISD football field. This is our last home game of the season, so please come out and help our cheerleaders cheer on our Swords! Wear green and be loud!

Volleyball

Today's volleyball game has been canceled. The volleyball team will face St. Anthony School on Monday in Columbus with the first game beginning at 5:00.

Cross Country

The cross country team ended its season with two second place medalists at the Hallettsville Kolache Fest 5K! Congratulations to Ella Herzik and Justin Ohnheiser on their medal-winning times. Thank you to our eighth grade runners, Emma Koeth and Trey Silcox, for participating in cross country since their 5th grade year.

SAFE Training

The last SAFE training at St. Michael's for 2022 will take place on Tuesday, October 11. Please remember that you must have this training if you wish to attend any field trip with your child, whether you go by bus or car. We are heading to a busy field trip time of year. The training will take place from 5:30 to 7:30. Call the school office to register for this class. You must also go to the diocesan website, www.victoriadiocese.org and complete the application form there. Please do this before the training.

The October calendar, menu, and lunch form for payment for October lunches are going home today. You should also find the Archaeology Day flyer, and a flyer for the Weimar flag-football league.