

St. Michael Swords News

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and Christ-like*

2023 – 2024 Registration

Registration for the 2023 – 2024 school year continues throughout the remainder of March. The registration packet was sent home recently, can be found on the school's website, or call the school office for one to be emailed to you. The early registration fee is \$225 per child but goes up to \$250 per child after March 31st. Now is also the time to sign up for the after-school care program as it is nearly filled.

Our second graders will receive the sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Tuesday, March 28th. Their First Communion will be on Sunday, April 23rd. Congratulations!

Service Hours

Students in grades 1-7 are reminded that they need to perform service hours and submit the Service Hour form to the office **by May 1st**. Students in first grade must perform at least one hour, second grade – two hours, etc.

The auction committee for the Crayfish Boil is currently collecting items for the auction. If you have something to donate, contact Tracey Schimcek at 979-561-6108.

The St. Michael Spring Festival is Sunday, April 30th.

Our families are asked to help with this event as we receive the proceeds from it. Look for more information soon!

HSA Corner 3/23

Nomination forms for serving on the HSA Board are due by March 31st. There are 3 open positions for next year. Please consider serving on the board.

Little Caesar's Fundraiser pickup is Monday, March 27th from 3:30pm-5:30pm at the Family Center. Don't forget to pick up your orders!

Boozy Bingo – we are excited to announce that this event raised \$10,922.51 for our school! Our goal was \$7,000, however due to exceptional ticket sales we exceeded our goal! Thank you to Rob and Clarissa Marshall with The Oaks at High Hill for providing their beautiful venue to us for this event at no charge, and to HATCH and 107 Solutions for underwriting the cost of snacks sold at the event.

Track Meet – we were blessed with nearly perfect weather, and made just over \$8,000 this year! This event also exceeded our \$6,500 goal.

Crawfish Boil – don't forget tickets are all pre-sale, and must be turned in to the SMCS office no later than Noon on Thursday, April 6th. School dismisses at noon this day. Please send any liquor wagon donations to the school office. Contact Tracey Schimcek for auction item donations and Amy Brandt for additional tickets. For more information, please see the letter sent home with tickets.

Women's Conference

The Diocese of Victoria is once again sponsoring a conference for women throughout the diocese. The conference is titled, "At His Feet, Finding Blessing in the Busy."

The Women's Conference takes place on April 22, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. It begins with mass celebrated at Our Lady of Victory Cathedral by Bishop Brendan Cahill. Then it moves to the Cathedral Center. The cost is \$40 per person. Register at victoriadiocese.org/2023womensconference.

Altar Servers

Altar servers on Friday are Trey Silcox, Hayes Kloesel, Dayson Mace, and Hadley Brandt.

Altar servers on Saturday are Hunter Shupak and Dawson Brandt.

Altar servers on Sunday at 7:30 are Emily Wied and Chloe Brandt.

Altar servers on Sunday at 10:30 are Hayes Kloesel, Brandt Kahanek, and Emma Koeth.

Keep collecting in your Rice Bowls for Catholic Relief Services. These are due back on April 11th.

Fifth Sunday of Lent

The readings for the 5th Sunday of Lent are about how God can take us from death to new life. The first reading tells us of God's desire to bring us back to life. The second reading tells us if Christ dwells in us, we will have new life as He does. And the gospel tells how Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead. Through the raising of Lazarus from the dead, Jesus demonstrates his power over death and foreshadows his own resurrection. This event is a sign of hope for believers, as it points to the victory of life over death. The gospel illustrates the reality of human suffering and the pain that comes with loss, as well as the compassion and empathy that Jesus shows towards those who are grieving.

Calendar Changes in April/May

Because the first Friday in April is Good Friday, we are moving our monthly faculty meeting to April 28th. School will dismiss early that day and there will be no after school care.

This meeting will count for both April and May so classes on May 5th will not dismiss early but we will go to our usual daily dismissal time. After-school care will be open that day.

Washington Trip 2023

Current 7th and 8th grade parents: Your child should be bringing home three items today. They include the room assignments for students and adults, Authorization for Treatment of a Minor, WorldStrides Medical Release Form for each person going, Student Code of Conduct (please go over this with your child before he, she, and you sign), the Travel Smart Travel Safe handout, and the Adult Participant Code of Conduct. Those requiring a signature are due back here at school by March 31st.

Washington Trip 2025

Current 5th and 6th grade parents: Please remember that both the Agreement Form and the Attendance Form are due back by March 31st. Your group needs to finalize upcoming fund-raisers and work lists. A meeting to discuss these fund-raisers is being held on Tuesday, April 4th, at 5:30 p.m.

Mark Your Calendars:

Last Supper presentation by the second graders and Living Stations by the 7th and 8th graders will be held on Thursday, April 6th, beginning at 11:00 a.m. in the Family Center gym.

We will have early dismissal on April 6th. There will not be after-school care that day.

There is no school on April 7th or April 10th.