

St. Michael Swords News

May 11, 2023 – Final Newsletter

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and Christ-like*

Final Week of School!

We made it! Our last week of school has come quickly this year. Thank you all for your cooperation, assistance, and prayers this year. Thank you also to the faculty and staff for the many sacrifices they have made this year. Thank you to the members of the School Advisory Council, Home & School Association Board, and the Parent Ambassador Team for their service to the school this past year. Finally, thank you to the students for never giving up in academics, athletics, and their relationships with one another. Thanks to these many sacrifices by our families, our teachers, and our students, we have reached the end of a very productive year. Let's continue to pray that next year will lead us more closely to our Heavenly Father as we continue His work in our parish and community.

Next week may be our final week of school, but it's an extremely busy one. For this reason, we will take this one day at a time.

Saturday, May 13th

Our SMCS cheerleaders will participate in the Gedenke parade. The fifth and sixth grade parents will be selling hamburgers, etc. at the Gedenke. HSA families will work at the children's activities.

Sunday, May 14th

Fr. Luke Prihoda will celebrate his first mass as a priest at St. Michael the Archangel Church at 10:30 a.m.. Everyone is welcome! It's Mother's Day!

Monday, May 15th

Seventh and eighth graders will practice for graduation. Those students and staff who celebrate a birthday in July will have a free dress day this day.

Please pay your child's cafeteria bill before his or her last day of school so we can close our accounts for the end of the school year.

Tuesday, May 16th

See the enclosed information concerning Splashway. Students come to school at regular time. We leave at 9:00 a.m. via our regular dismissal to head to Splashway. Students will have the parents' wristbands. Please ask for it before leaving.

Wednesday, May 17th

No school for 8th graders.

Graduation at 6:00 p.m. in St. Michael Church. Reception follows in the Family Center. Everyone is invited. Parents and siblings will sit in the front of the church behind the graduates. The seventh graders sit in the back pew of the front section.

Last day for Pre-K3.

Thursday, May 18th

Pre-K 4 and Kindergarten Closing Ceremony at 8:00 a.m. in St. Michael Church. Grades 1 – 7 may attend. **Students in these two grades will dismiss following the ceremony.**

Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed at 2:40 p.m. in St. Michael Church.

Friday, May 20th

Mass uniforms required.

Mass at 8:00 a.m. followed by Awards Ceremony in St. Michael Church. Grades 1 – 7 will receive awards for the 2022 – 2023 school year. Packets will also be handed out which include the 2023 – 2024 school year calendar and school supply list for next year, report cards, and information about summer activities offered in this area. Students will sit in the front of the church and family members may sit in the back portion.

Students will be dismissed with their parents from the church at approximately 9:30 a.m.

HSA Corner

Gedenke - we still have a couple of shifts needing to be filled for Saturday's event! Families who have met their working points, but still owe for selling dollars can work a shift and receive \$120 spring selling credit for this event.

Tuition subsidy - bills went out for all selling dollars and working shifts not met for spring. These payments are due to the office no later than Monday.

Golf Tournament - thank you to all who made this fundraiser for our SMCS sports program possible!

Congratulations, Graduates 2022!

Congratulations to our eighth graders who will be graduating next week. They are: Trevor Bentley, Brinson Huette, Tucker Janak, Carson Klam, Emma Koeth, Dylan Moeller, Madelyn Rerich, Hunter Shupak, and Trey Silcox.

May you achieve all your dreams, and never forget that your strength comes through God. Lean on the foundation that you have been given here at St. Michael Catholic School. Of course, visit us often!

July Birthdays

Happy birthday to those celebrating a birthday in July:

- 1 – Grant Janecka
- 5 – Brady Vanicek
- 17 – Beau Anders
- 17 – Lane Anders
- 18 – Sharon Jochen
- 20 – Mr. Jaxson Barlow
- 24 – Kole Fogleman
- 27 – Dayson Mace
- 28 – Mrs. Cathy Irving
- 29 – Emily Wied
- 30 – Hunter Shupak

Claire Holman's name was missed last week in our June birthdays. Her birthday is June 27th.

Altar Servers

Altar servers on Friday are Sarah Jane Berger, Mallarie Williams, Justin Ohnheiser, and Faith Vavra.

Altar servers Saturday at 5:30 are: Kole Fogleman, Cade Wessels, and a CCD student.

There will not be a 7:30 mass on Sunday due to Fr. Luke's first mass. Seminarians will serve at the 10:30 mass.

Please remember that if you cannot serve at any time during the summer, you are responsible for finding a replacement. Third graders, you will begin in June!

Saying Goodbye

We sadly say goodbye to the following faculty and staff members who will be leaving SMCS: Jaxson Barlow, Sarah Moore, and Vicki Reeves. We wish them happiness and success in their new adventures.

Fr. Wayne Flagg will also be leaving the Weimar community to serve the diocese in the parishes of Hillje and Louise. He will continue to be in our prayers as I am sure he will keep all of us in his.

We also say goodbye to School Advisory Council member Nicole Rerich who served faithfully on the Council for many, many years and to Chamik Bentley for her service to the HSA as Board Member and President.

You will all be missed!

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who helped make Teacher Appreciation Week extra-special for us this year! The breakfast tacos, ice cream, special lunch, flowers, donuts, and whatever our surprise will be tomorrow are very much appreciated by all of us here. Thank you also to those who gave individual gifts and surprises. Many thanks to Suzie Baggerly for coordinating this. You all made our week very special!

Prayer Before Summer Vacation

Let's put ourselves into the hands of the Lord, and pray that God will bless us and our families during the wonderful months of summer. May we all help make our home a place of relaxation, joy, love, peace, and safety. May we be generous and considerate, not thinking only about ourselves, but helping others enjoy the blessings of a summertime.

Lord God, Creator of all things, guide our steps and strengthen our hearts during these months of summer and vacation days. Grant us refreshment of mind and body. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Have a blessed, safe, and fun summer!
We will see you here in August!***

***Summer office hours are Tuesday through
Thursday from
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.***