

ECHOES OF ANGELS

Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ...

Super Raffle

A Super Raffle (our only mandatory fundraiser) winner will be drawn next Saturday. All tickets sales are due back to the office by **February 1**. Congratulations to Shea Spanu who won our early bird drawing!

Yearbook Needs

Yearbook is looking for photos from boys basketball. Please email pictures to Chris Griffin at cedge2000@hotmail.com

Extended Day

We kindly request that if you're picking up your children from extended day that all siblings leave with you at the same time. I know that sometimes one child wants to stay later but it makes it more difficult for our extended daycare staff who are trying to supervise many children. Thanks.

Rodriguez Benefit

Together we were able to raise nearly \$8000 for the family last Thursday. Thank you!



Catholic Schools Week

Our students would wholeheartedly agree that Catholic Schools Week is the best week of the school year! We begin our celebration this Sunday with a special 9:30 Mass for teachers along with an Open House from 10:30-12:30. Featured at the Open House will be our Fine Arts Fair in the library. Students are encouraged to wear their uniforms to church.

On Monday, students may dress exactly/similarly to a friend or group of friends or wear their wackiest, most creative, clothing combinations for a mismatched look. Our school spelling bee will be held at 8:00 in the Curly Lambeau Gym and students will be treated to an assembly in the afternoon. Penny Wars begin.





STEM Need

Pictured above is the igloo that first graders are currently constructing with your recycled milk jugs. Please continue to send them in so that they can finish this incredible team project.

A-Factor Dance Team

Several Holy Angels girls are involved with the A-Factor Dance Company. Sarra Lacour, Emma Kaspar, Allison Holtz, Hannah Holtz, and Samantha Ochoa are working to raise money for their trip to Disney in June with their dance company. They are hosting a fundraiser on Friday, February 2 from 6-8:30 at Luigi's. For \$8, you can enjoy pizza, pasta, and salad along with discounted prices on laser tag and the game room. They would love to have you support their dance team.

High School Events

We advertise upcoming events on our website under *School Information*. Be sure to check it out as we add new items each week.

On Tuesday, students will be celebrating our past by dressing in decade appropriate clothing. (PK-K 50's, 1-2 60's, 3-4 70's, 5-6 80's and 7-8 90's.) There will also be a special hot dog luncheon served as well as a Food Drive to benefit the less fortunate.

On Wednesday, students are asked to dress especially nice in honor of their teacher (no jeans). Classes will be treated to a movie in the afternoon.

On Thursday, students are asked to light up their faith by wearing neon colors as part of their dress down ensemble. Students will be creating spiritual bouquets for our priests, deacons, nuns, and seminarians.

On Friday, students will wear spirit wear in honor of the annual 8th grade vs. teacher's volleyball game. The game should start at approximately 10:00. School will be dismissed at 11:30.

Finally, on Saturday, we will host Thunder Sports Day starting at 9 AM. If you want to be a hero in the eyes of your precious children, consider joining us for the fun. This is a new fundraiser for us, so please come out and play! It replaces our Fun Fest and parents and children will team up to play either dodgeball (for the older grades) or bags (for the younger grades.)

This event will also include an awesome opportunity to win a Nintendo Switch, along with other raffles, a 50/50, food, prizes and more. Spectators are encouraged to come to cheer on their favorite teams. Other fun add-ons will include an option to purchase a "free life" wrist band to get you back in the Dodge Ball game or an auction to add a special guest to your team. Don't miss out on the fun! The deadline to sign up has been extended to January 29. For questions please contact Jennie Nash jennienash@comcast.net.

Penny Wars

For Catholic Schools Week, we are introducing a new fundraising idea with healthy competition. We will be having Penny Wars and here is how it works. Each grade level will have a container in the lobby. Children are encouraged to bring in money to school. Each penny will count as 1 positive point for that container. All silver and paper money count as negative points. As an example, if a container has 50 pennies and two quarters, the container has 0 points. So students will want to put their pennies in their grade jar and put silver coins in other grade level jars. The grade level with the most points at the end of the week will receive a dress down day in the future. All money collected will be donated to the Rodriguez family. Thank you for your support and good luck

to all grade levels!

Super Bowl, Super Cash

Looking for a fun way to enjoy Super Bowl 52 this year while also raising money for Holy Angels School. Look no further! For only \$50, you can purchase a Super Bowl 52 Square and have up to 40+ different ways to be a winner on February 4th! Simply go to <https://www.superbowlsquares.org/haseraphimball> and put in user ID: haball and password: seraphim to learn how you can win! With your entry, 50% goes to the square winners (sign up to learn more) and with the other 50% going directly to the school for the Seraphim Ball. (Limit is 5 entries per email.)

Since we all love some friendly competition, we are offering a Dress Down Day to the grade that gets the most referrals for the Seraphim Super Bowl Sunday Pool! Please spread the word to friends and family and help us fill the remaining squares on the board. Be sure to enter the grade of the child in either the *Notes* section or the *Referred By* section in the signup page. If you have already gotten your square, please email Kyle Ray at holyangelsfb@gmail.com so that your child's grade level gets the proper credit.

Dress for Fundraising Success

Still deciding what to wear to the Seraphim Ball? Wondering what styles will be seen at the ball? Still searching for the perfect necklace or shoes? Guests can dress in classic or themed formal wear—whatever they choose (black tie optional).

Still need a suit or dress? Don't stress! Revive an old look or swap clothes with a friend—the possibilities have no end. And remember, the kids will benefit more if you give at the ball...and spend less at the store!

For those who want to take part in the “grand and green” fun, try these options for a look that's second to none:

Lasses: Green and/or gold dresses, accessories and shoes; shamrock-themed clothing and accessories

Lads: Green and/or gold blazers, vests, suits, ties, hats and suspenders; shamrock-themed clothing and accessories; kilts

Whether you're flaunting new duds or an old party dress—supporting Holy Angels School is sure to impress!

Let's Get Irish with Some Sign Up Parties

Hoorah! Hoorah! The 8th graders will be graduating in just 135 days. The Seraphim Ball Committee is looking for someone to host an 8th Grade Family Party in honor of this momentous occasion. This sign up party will be available at the Seraphim Ball. Perhaps you have other ideas for a sign up party. If so, please contact Cathy Medernach (sandcat86@yahoo.com) for more information.

Save the Date

Save the date for a “sweet” night out for dads and daughters. This year’s Daddy-Daughter Dance is February 16 in the gym from 6:00-8:30 PM. Please join us for dancing and fun in Candy Land. Forms were sent home last week. Please contact Susan Cruz with any questions (susanf130@yahoo.com).

Making a Fortune Out of Slime

As a parent, I’m sure you’re well aware of the latest craze - making homemade slime. It’s a harmless fad that is fun to do at home. But it is a fad that needs to stay at home. We have students buying and selling the fluffy stuff here at school. While I’m all for business in the grown up world, right now our students need less distractions so they can focus on the business of learning. Please refrain from allowing your child to bring slime to school. Thanks so much.

Safety Concern

For those of you with young ones, please be sure that you are in compliance with Illinois law which reads that “children under the age of eight years must be secured in an appropriate child restraint system, more commonly called a car seat. Car seats include infant seats, convertible seats (rear-facing and forward-facing) and booster seats that are used with the vehicle lap and shoulder belt system. *Exception* Children weighing more than 40 pounds, may be transported in the back seat of a motor vehicle while wearing only a lap belt if the back seat is equipped with a lap and shoulder belt system.” Please know that if ever needed, we would be happy to hold your booster seat here at school during the day and transfer it to your designated driver at dismissal.

Next Week at a Glance

Sunday - Open House & Fine Arts Fair 10:30-12:30

Monday - Multiplicity Day or Mismatch Day

Spelling Bee 8:00

Penny Wars begin

Tuesday - Decade Theme Party

Hot Dog Day

Food Drive

Wednesday - Dress Up Day

Thursday - **Super Raffle ticket money due to the office**

Wear Neon Colors

Friday - Mass 8:15

Spirit Wear Day

8th Grade vs. Teachers Volleyball Game

Early Dismissal 11:30

Saturday - Thunder Sports Day 9:00 Gym

Bringing Home the Faith

The application process with Empower Illinois will be completed online at empowerillinois.org. The application process will open **January 31, 2018 at 12 noon**. Our computer lab will be open to use if needed until 2:30.

WHAT YOU NEED TO APPLY

Families need the following documents in order to apply for a tax credit scholarship:

Household Income Verification, specifically:

- Form 1040 (Federal Tax Return; 2016 or 2017), pages one and two only
- If you do NOT file taxes, provide other evidence of income (e.g. W-2, recent pay stubs, Form 1099, official letter from employer, disability statement, or documentation of SNAP or WIC)

Proof of Residence (one of the following):

- Illinois Driver's License with current address
- Illinois State ID with current address
- Utility bill with name and current address

Evidence of Child's Age for Kindergarten and 1st Grade students only (one of the following):

Birth certificate or passport

Valid Email Address (e.g. Gmail, Hotmail, AOL, etc.) Additionally, families should know the number of the Public School District in which the household resides. Example, school district #129 for the West Aurora Public School System.

Mass Times: Saturdays 4:30

Sundays 6:45, 8:00 (Extraordinary Form, Latin, 1st & 3rd Sundays), 9:30, 11:00

Confession Times: Sunday after 9:30 Mass

Tuesday after 8:00 Mass

Wednesday 6:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Friday after 6:30 AM Mass

Saturday after 8:15 Mass and 3:15 PM - 4:00 PM

Mission Statement

Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, Holy Angels School is committed to spiritual formation, which nurtures the Catholic faith and inspires its practice. It is committed to academic excellence, which fosters the growth of each individual. Holy Angels School strives to meet the intellectual, social, and ethical challenges of living in a technological, global, and culturally diverse society.

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