

# St. Barnabas Catholic School



*Through our Catholic Faith,* GROWING IN MIND, HEART, AND SPIRIT TO BECOME LEADERS IN THE WORLD

## Calendar

### January 16

Mr. Beckham's  
Retirement Party,  
12:00-2:00  
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### January 17

NO SCHOOL  
MLK Jr Day

With a New Year often comes "New Resolutions", those activities or routines we know would make our lives better in some way, shape or form. As we wrap up the second week of January some of us may be looking to modify those resolutions or possibly we have found some way to leave them behind us already. No worries!

#### Make reading resolutions to strengthen communication skills.

- **Read with your child every day.** Set aside some time when everybody in the house reads.
- **Read aloud.** Traditional bedtime reading aloud works, but some families take turns reading aloud during breakfast. Decide on a special read-aloud time for your family.
- **Give books** or gift cards to bookstores for birthdays and other celebrations.
- **Subscribe** to a children's magazine.

#### Leaders of tomorrow need to learn math today.

Research shows that strong skills in math prepare students for success in school and life. Show your child that you think math is important.

- **Look for programs about math on TV or online.**
- **Play math games with your child.** Have her do math puzzles in the newspaper. Your positive attitude about math will be contagious!

Build up those concentration skills. Being able to concentrate can help your child focus on his schoolwork, persevere, and learn more. To increase his concentration skills:

- **Encourage your child to paint, put together puzzles and do crafts.**
- **Play board games**—simple ones at first. Then play games that require more thought and problem solving, like checkers or chess.

#### Spiritual resolutions help us to become better Disciples and Saints.

- **Begin the day with the Morning Offering.** Instead of hitting that snooze button for a few more minutes, try getting up and saying a prayer.
- **Daily or weekly rosary.** Our Warriors are very familiar with the rosary and how it helps us to reflect on the life of Jesus and Mary. Allow them to lead the family in praying the rosary together.
- **Read a spiritual book.** There are many books written by Catholic authors available for adults and children to deepen their knowledge of Jesus, Mary, the Church, and the Saints. This would be a great way to include that reading resolution too!
- **Choose a saintly intercessor.** St. Faustina was known for this. Talk as a family and choose a Saint for each other or the whole family. Maybe even read a book about them.

To make sure you can keep your resolutions:

- **Keep good quality reading materials handy.** Have things around the house and in the car.
- **Limit TV and internet.** You can always record your child's favorite show or post those pics later.
- **Track your progress.** Help your child mark the calendar every day your family succeeds. Then reward yourselves! Watch a movie based on a favorite book or saint. Baby Steps!

May all that we do in this new year bring us closer to Jesus Christ.

God bless,

Mr. Schnarr



January 14, 2022

*Barnabas rejoiced and encouraged them all to remain faithful to the Lord in firmness of heart, for he was a good man, filled with the Holy Spirit and faith.*  
Acts 11:23-24

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### **An Update from SBS on our COVID-19 response**

St. Barnabas Catholic School continues to take very seriously its commitment to be transparent with our COVID-19 response and keep our school parents informed about steps being taken to ensure the safety of students, faculty and staff during the current pandemic. Each week, we will send you an update providing the number of cases reported at our school and information on how you can help to keep students engaged during this unprecedented time.

For the week of January 10, 2022, there were 9 cases of COVID-19 reported. Contact tracing identified 15 individuals who were deemed in close contact and 7 of those individuals were required to quarantine.

#### **Reminders for parents:**

- If your child tests positive for COVID-19 or is quarantining due to COVID-19 exposure, please contact the principal Mr. Schnarr at [rschnarr@stbindy.org](mailto:rschnarr@stbindy.org). Include in your email:

The student's name, grade level  
A parent/guardian contact phone number  
A copy of the positive test results

***Please note that the Archdiocese of Indianapolis and the Marion County Department of Health have not authorized the use of at-home kits as a diagnostic tool. Any home test must be verified by a test administered by a healthcare provider. If your child is symptomatic and/or tests positive using a home test kit, please keep your child at home and notify the school. Contact your family's medical provider to determine the next steps.***

- Marion County Public Health Department guidelines require students and employees to do a daily self-screen before coming to school. Please continue to honor this important self screening process.
- Students who are exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 without being otherwise explained, are prohibited from coming to school. A student who is at home with COVID-19 symptoms may not participate in any after school activities to include practices, games, concerts, or other events.

Please continue to pray for the safety and success of our school.

God bless!



**Celebrate  
Greg's  
Retirement!**



Sunday, January 16th  
Noon to 2:00pm  
8300 Rahke Rd.  
Indianapolis, IN 46217



Doors open at Noon and the program starts at 12:30 pm.

There will be a hot dog bar with all the fixings, chips, water, baked goods and ice cream.

Please RSVP on Faith Direct by Wednesday January 12 so we can have an accurate count for food: <https://membership.faithdirect.net/events/details/7821>

# ST. BLAISE

BISHOP AND MARTYR

The traditional blessing of throats will take place on Thursday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> following the 8:30 am Mass.



# MENU

Monday, January 17

NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, January 18

French Toast

Sausage

Hash Brown

Veggie/Fruit Bar

Wednesday, January 19

Nacho

Taco Meat

Cheese Sauce

Veggie/Fruit Bar

Thursday, January 20

Tortellini

Breadstick

Veggie/Fruit Bar

Friday, January 21

Sloppy Joe

Fries

Veggie/Fruit Bar

## SERVING EVERY DAY

Sandwich Bar

Chicken Nuggets

Pasta Bar

Salad Bar

Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich

Congratulations to 6th grade student, Sean Willison. Sean made the 6th grade Honor Roll and was mistakenly left the list in last week's newsletter. Congratulations Sean.



## Adoration Chapel Hours In Need of Coverage

If you have not made a regular adoration commitment, please consider filling in one of the hours below for the upcoming week:

Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 pm to 10:00 pm

Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>  
1:00 pm to 2:00 pm  
&  
2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

You may sign up at <https://stbarnabas.weadorehim.com> or contact Joe Sheehan at [jsheehan@stbindy.org](mailto:jsheehan@stbindy.org) and he can assist you with signing up.

### First Holy Communion Informational Meetings

Children seeking to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion in May should plan on attending one of the following meetings with their parent(s) or guardian(s).

Monday, January 31<sup>st</sup>  
at 6:00 pm in the church

OR

Monday, February 7<sup>th</sup>  
at 6:00 pm in the church

Please contact Joe Sheehan,  
Director of Faith Formation  
if you have questions.



## **Upcoming Confirmation Informational Sessions**

**Teens in grades eight through twelve who are interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2022 should plan on attending one of the informational sessions below along with a parent or guardian.**

**Tuesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>  
Monday, January 24<sup>th</sup>**

Both sessions will take place at 6:30 pm inside the church.

Please contact Jo De Leon at [jdeleon@stbindy.org](mailto:jdeleon@stbindy.org) or Joe Sheehan at [jsheehan@stbindy.org](mailto:jsheehan@stbindy.org) if you have any questions.



**Mark your calendars!  
VBS Monumental 2022 is  
coming to St. Barnabas June  
27-30 from 9 am-noon!**



**We're in need of adults to assist  
with coordinating this awesome  
event for our children! If you can  
help, please email Joe Sheehan at  
[jsheehan@stbindy.org](mailto:jsheehan@stbindy.org).**

**Welcome.** CRHP 2.0  
There is **More to Life**

## Are you thriving or just surviving?

We all have an insatiable desire for happiness. We all want to feel like we belong. And we all want to find friends who will walk with us through life's challenges.

Join us for our upcoming [Men's/Women's] Welcome Weekend. It's an incredible overnight experience hosted by our parish that will inspire you to:

- Find clarity and purpose in your life
- Form meaningful relationships
- Approach your life with renewed energy and a fresh perspective

**WHEN:** Women's -3/5 and 3/6  
Men's- 3/11 and 3/12

**WHERE:** St. Barnabas Catholic Church

To learn more, contact: Women's Welcome Weekend – Katie Kratoska, 317-938-3157 or Andy Ley, 260-460-7284.

It's amazing how just one yes can change your life. We hope to see you there!

**Your Welcome Team**

**Scan the QR Code to register or visit:**

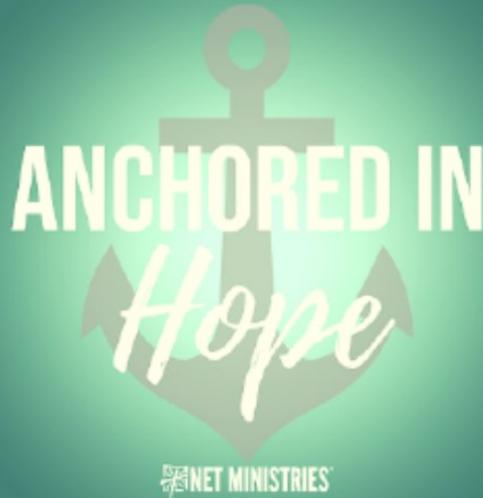
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# South Deanery Youth Ministry

## JR HIGH YOUTH RALLY!

Saturday February 26, 2022 2-8pm @ Roncalli High School



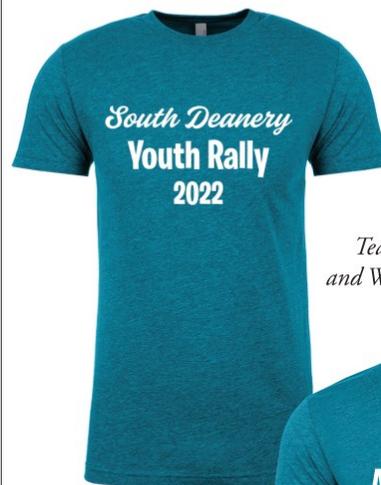
All 6-8th grade students are invited to spend a faith-filled day with NET Ministries. NET will lead us in prayer, skits, discussions, and games. Contact your youth minister to register. [Registration fee: \\$35. Deadline to register to receive a shirt: Jan 15.](#)

Alert! Jr High Rally registration deadline to receive a shirt is fast approaching!

The South Deanery Youth Ministry is hosting the annual Junior High Youth Rally at Roncalli High School on February 26th from 2 to 8 pm. The Junior High Youth Rally is a one-day event for all students in grades 6-8th. This rally is an opportunity for the youth to explore their faith and grow deeper in relation with Christ through games, music, prayer, and talks. All talks are prepared by the keynote speakers and NET Ministries. The small and large group breakout sessions will be led by NET Ministries. **Registration is \$35, meal included. Registration deadline if you would like a shirt: January 15.** For more info, please contact the St. Barnabas Youth Minister, Jo De Leon: [jdeleon@stbindy.org](mailto:jdeleon@stbindy.org) or 317-882-0724 ext 240.

Permission click link to register:

<https://nativityindy.org/jr-high-youth-rally>



*Teal with White Full Front  
and White and Gray 7 Full Back*





### **Roncalli Latino Outreach Coordinator: Juanita Castellanos**

If you are a Spanish-speaking family, and would like assistance with anything having to do with Roncalli, please contact Juanita Castellanos at [jcastellanos@roncalli.org](mailto:jcastellanos@roncalli.org) or (317) 787-8277, ext. 225.

### **Roncalli Freshman Scheduling Starts in a Month!**

Scheduling for the Roncalli Class of 2026 will begin in a month! Is your 8th grader registered yet? The Application for Admission is available online at <https://apps.roncalli.org/application>. Please contact Director of Admissions Allie Ross at [aross@roncalli.org](mailto:aross@roncalli.org) or (317) 787-8277, ext. 243 with any questions.

Once the application is complete and the \$100 registration fee is received, you may continue the registration process. **NOTE: If your student is participating in Quest for Excellence on Saturday, February 26, please make your scheduling appointment after 12:30 PM that day, or on a different day, so there are no conflicts. If you have any issues or conflicts that arise, please contact Mary Sheets to change an appointment time at (317) 787-8277, ext. 232.**

### **Roncalli--Making a Difference**

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