



Pacelli Post

Educating the Heart and Mind

December 7, 2022

Cardinal Pacelli School's Mission

Cardinal Pacelli, parish school of Our Lord Christ the King, is driven by Christian values, committed to academic excellence, strengthened by a nurturing community and dedicated to educating both the heart and mind, while serving the Lord.



Mrs. Cento's Message

Dear Pacelli Families and Friends,

Happy Second Week of Advent!



What is the meaning of the 2nd Advent candle?

The second advent candle ("The Bethlehem Candle") is also purple and represents peace. Peace is a central theme of the advent season but it is the main focus of the second week of Advent.

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this."
~ Isaiah 9:6-7

Power of the Pen

This year the Power of the Pen District Tournament will be held at Cardinal Pacelli School on **January 28, 2023**. Power of the Pen is an organization that encourages middle school students to engage in creative writing. Our 7th and 8th graders have been successful in Power of the Pen writing competitions against other middle schools across the state for the past several years. Last

year's competition team qualified four writers for the state tournament and two of those writers finished in the top 50 in the state!

With us holding the district tournament here at our school, we need a tournament sponsor. Sponsorship of this event will include recognition in the tournament program, the sponsors name on the awards, and the opportunity, if wanted, to engage with young writers by presenting the awards to the winners. The sponsorship funds are also used to purchase plaques, medallions, journals, and other tournament supplies. It would be wonderful to get a sponsor from our community. **The cost would either be a \$600 full sponsorship or two \$300 co-sponsorships.** For more information regarding sponsorship, please reach out to Mrs. Anne Losekamp, Power of the Pen Coach, losekamp_a@cardinalpacelli.org or Regional Director, Jenn Sauvey at jenn.sauvey@powerofthepen.org. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



Mental Health Resources for Parents

Post Pandemic Parenting. This 3-hour, 3-module video masterclass is a critical watch for parents and teachers. Divided into nine easy-to-watch 20-minute lessons, the program is produced by nationally recognized psychologist and parenting expert, Dr. Robin Arthur, former Chief of Psychology at the Lindner Center of HOPE. Parents are taught how to deal with the post-covid impacts of stress, anxiety, and depression affecting so many of their children's mental health.

[Click Here](#) for more information on the course.

From the School Clinic

We received a Health Alert regarding an outbreak of measles in central Ohio.

"Columbus Public Health, Ohio Department of Health (ODH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and other local public health jurisdictions are working closely with clinical and community partners to respond to an ongoing outbreak of measles in central Ohio."

Measles is a viral infection that spreads through coughing and sneezing. It is very contagious, but most school-aged children who are fully vaccinated with two doses of measles, mumps, rubella (MMR) vaccine are protected from measles.

"Measles is a vaccine preventable disease. The measles vaccine is highly protective; one dose of measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine provides 93% protection against measles and two doses provide 97% protection."

However, 3 in 100 people who have received two doses of MMR vaccine will still get measles if exposed to the virus. Therefore, we want you to provide you with information about measles, and the signs and symptoms to look for in your child.

Usually about 8-12 days (but up to 21 days) after exposure, measles begins with a mild to moderate fever accompanied by cough, runny nose, and red eyes. Two or three days later, the fever spikes, often as high as 104-105°F. At the same time, a red blotchy rash appears, usually first on the face, along the hairline and behind the ears. The rash rapidly spreads downward to the chest and back and, finally, to the thighs and feet.

Award Winners

Congratulations to the November **Math** Award winners!

Kindergarten- Sullivan T. & Ford S.

1st Gr. – Hudson R. & Lily G.

2nd Gr. – Mac R. & Elliot C.

3rd Gr. – Callie M. & Dominic D.

4th Gr. – Sebastian S. & Alex B.

5th Gr. – Pax O. & Evan O.

6th Gr.- Luke V. & Emma J.

7th Gr. – Joshua S. & Lilah H.

8th Gr. – Luke M. & Ellie O.



Congratulations on your hard work!

Emergency Closing of School

In inclement weather, the students will never be marked tardy. Please drive carefully and with caution. Use your discretion as to safety.

We will **EITHER CANCEL SCHOOL OR HAVE A TWO-HOUR DELAY** which is a **9:50 AM START TIME**.

If we have a two-hour delay, it is at the parent's discretion whether to send their ½ day Kindergarten, Pre-K, or Pre-School students. Classes will be in session.

If Forest Hills is on a delay and our school is on a regular schedule, parents whose children use these bus services can provide their own transportation to school or wait for the delayed buses to pick their children up. Our students **WILL NOT** be marked tardy.

If Cincinnati Public or Forest Hills cancels school, and our school is still in session, parents whose children use these bus services need to provide their own transportation.

If Cincinnati Public Schools close, Forest Hills will **NOT** transport our students.

If school is in session and we need to close school early, the One Call Now automated phone system and email messages using RenWeb will be used. In addition, the information will be posted on our website.

If you did not receive a call last evening regarding the school delay, please contact the school office – office@cardinalpacelli.org. We may need to update the phone number we have in the system.

Catholic Education Foundation Tuition Aid Grants

The application window for Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) 2023-2024 Elementary School Tuition Assistance Scholarships is open between now and February 3, 2023. The process will work, as it has in the past with families applying through **FACTS Grant and Aid Management**. Families should upload their 2021 tax return when applying, this eliminates the need to wait for 2022 to be filed.

All grants are needs-based and can be used at any Catholic elementary school within the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Typically, awards have ranged from \$250 to \$1,200 per qualified student.

Do not miss out on the wonderful opportunity to apply for tuition assistance through the Catholic Education Foundation (CEF).

If you were awarded last year, you will need to re-apply. The assistance is only good for one year. If you would also like to be considered for the **Cardinal Pacelli's Education Fund**, you must first apply for this tuition grant from Catholic Education Foundation. This is all done through **FACTS Grant and Aid Management**.

Applications will be accepted through February 3, 2024.

We are excited to again be offering **Welcome Scholarships** to first in the family incoming preschool or kindergarten students! We are also happy to be able to continue the lottery for students of elementary school employees. Both programs will kick off in January and more details will be sent to you soon.

Christmas Concert – Thursday, December 15th

It's the most wonderful time of the year for our **Early Learners – Grade 4 Christmas Concert**. It's been a while since this has taken place in-person and on the stage in the gym. We are so glad it is back to put us all in the Christmas/Holiday spirit! All Early Learners – Grade 4 will perform with their grade in this concert. Students should arrive by **6:30 PM** and go directly to their classrooms. Their teachers will greet them and get them lined up for the program to begin. While waiting for their stage appearance, the bleachers will be used.

The dress for the concert is **festive, holiday colors and designs**. Be mindful that while on stage, the lights can be quite hot so dress accordingly. The concert will be roughly an hour long and is a glorious payoff for all the hard work our students at the direction of Mr. Drewyor, have done so far this year. We are so joyful and thrilled to share this holiday tradition with all of you!

NEW Student Application Information

As we start to plan for the 2023-24 school year, all **NEW** students of current families at Cardinal Pacelli School have the first priority to apply and enroll in our Early Learning Program and Kindergarten. Preschool (3 & 4 yr. old students) and Pre-Kindergarten (4 & 5 yr. old students) will fill up and will most likely have a waiting list. We are asking you to **complete the application for your new student by November 30th**. There is a \$25 application fee for all new students. For instructions on completing the application, [CLICK HERE](#). Please email admissions@cardinalpacelli.org with questions.

Prayerfully,

Mrs. Terri Cento

Spread Holiday Joy to Pacelli Teachers & Staff! Deadline to Donate is December 13

The PTO is once again organizing a Staff Christmas Fund to celebrate the



many members of Cardinal Pacelli faculty and staff that support our students! [Click here for more information on how to submit a Venmo or Cash/Check contribution!](#)



Christmas Cards from Minted



*Ordering from Minted this holiday season? Save 20% on those holiday cards, stationery gifts and more with our exclusive code **FUNDRAISEPACELLI** – as an added bonus, Cardinal Pacelli School will receive 15% of each purchase through Minted's charitable giving program!*

Christmas Eve Children's Mass

Calling all singers! We are looking for children in grades 2 and above to sing in the choir for Our Lord Christ the King's **Christmas Eve Mass at 4pm.**



If your child(ren) would like to be a part of this wonderful tradition, please sign up using the button below. We have had so many volunteers in the choir loft this year that I'm sure there will be a good turnout. See you there!

[Sign up Here](#)

Save the Date

SAVE THE DATE for the biggest fundraiser of the year!! The June Fest Gala is February 25th, 2023.

Why is the Gala so important?

Cardinal Pacelli school strives to provide exceptional academics, small classes, and catholic values that will enrich our students for a lifetime. Tuition only covers 65% of education for your child at Cardinal Pacelli. The gala helps subsidize the cost of tuition. In order to achieve Blue Ribbon academics, integrated technology, and a vibrant arts program, we need the gala to be successful!

Mark your calendar now for one of the most fun events of the year!

Open bar, full dinner, raffle, auction and live music



To be a sponsor for this fun event, please click on the picture below.

JUNEFEST GALA

Please consider sponsoring this fun tradition
at one of the following levels:



VINI \$150 SPONSOR

Per person includes dinner and open bar

VEDI \$500 SPONSOR

Includes 2 Gala tickets, 5 raffle tickets, wine tasting for 2 at the event

VICI \$1000 SPONSOR

Includes 4 Gala tickets, 10 raffle tickets, wine tasting for 4 at the event

BRAVO! \$5000 SPONSOR

Includes 6 Gala tickets, 20 raffle tickets, wine tasting for 6 at the event,
2 seats at a VIP Private Italian dinner for 20 at The Wheel in Oakely,
Marquee recognition and more!



Enriching Kidz

CLASSES OFFERED AT CARDINAL PACELLI SCHOOL

Better Baby Sitters For Boys & Girls in grades 5+6  COST: \$104 Students Learn: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• First Aid & Heimlich Maneuver• Receive a First Aid Kit to Keep• Infant & Child CPR (American Heart Association Guidelines)• Care of the Choking Child & Infant• How to Handle Emergencies• Creative Problem Solving• Job Professionalism• Hands-on Practice: Diapering, Bottle Feeding, Infant care using your own doll or stuffed animal• Discussion of Growth & Development• Create Age Appropriate Activities Class Information: Wednesdays 1/18, 1/25, 2/1, 2/8 2:45 - 5:15 pm	Pottery Wheel For Boys & Girls in grades 2 - 6  Cost: \$ 75 Pottery Wheel includes a beautiful piece of fired pottery <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create clay pieces from your own designs• Hand on use of the pottery wheel• Basic steps to wedging, centering, pulling, decorating & firing clay• Includes hand-building: slab, pinch pots & coiling• Improves hand-eye coordination• Builds confidence• And ... it's FUN! Class Information: Thursdays 2/2 & 2/9 2:45 - 4:45 pm	Stitch & Sew Kidz For Boys & Girls in 2nd grade  Cost: \$70 This is a small sized, hands-on, 2 week class that teaches the basics of sewing. Supplies included in cost. Students learn: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Basic sewing stitches• Cutting materials from a template• Threading needles• Tying knots• Sewing buttons• Correcting mistakes• Fine motor skillz• Spatial thinking• Problem solving skillz And ... it's FUN! Class Information: Wednesdays 2/15 & 2/22 2:45 - 4:45 pm
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Students must attend all classes in the session to complete the course

TO REGISTER:

Go to www.enrichingkidz.com, click on Register for a class, select the class, then scroll down to the class schedule to find the location.
To register by phone, or if you have questions regarding course curriculum, call Amy Marks at 513-336-9993.

LUNCH MENU

Reminder - All lunch orders MUST be placed before 8:00 a.m. to guarantee a lunch is available for your child!!



DECEMBER LUNCH MENU

Dates to Remember

- December 13- Spirit Wear Day
- December 15- Christmas Concert, PS-Grade 4 -7pm
- December 20- Winter Break Begins @11am
- January 4- School Resumes



Parish News

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception – Thursday, December 8

Holy Day Mass Times

Christ the King: 8:15 (school Mass) and 7:00 pm

St. Stephen: 9:00 am

Holy Cross – Immaculata: 6:00 pm

St. Rose of Lima: 12:10 pm

Advent

-Advent Confessions & Adoration will take place on December 12

-Little Blue Books are available in the back of church. These are brief, daily reflections that help you reflect during the season of Advent

-Light the Advent Wreath

Consider taking part in a Christ the King tradition. A family or individual can choose a date to light the Advent Wreath at the beginning of Mass any Sunday during Advent. Click [HERE](#) to sign up.



Town Hall Meeting – Mark Your Calendar for Tuesday, December 13

7:00 pm in the Atrium gathering space

Come and hear Fr. Adam and parish staff discuss the parish survey results. There will be time for questions and answers.

St. Ann Sodality Christmas Celebration – Weds., December 14 at 6:00 pm – It's FREE!!!

Oh, the weather outside is frightful. The company inside is so delightful. If you've no place to go, come join us 'til your spirit is aglow!

We invite all women of the parish and Pacelli moms to a Christmas celebration of drinks, dinner and fellowship on Wed., Dec. 14th from 6 p.m. - ?? There will be door prizes, raffle and Christmas carols. There is NO CHARGE as this evening is a gift to you from St. Ann Sodality. To help us plan, please RSVP by responding to this email or call Pam Gruesser at the parish office at 321-4121. The celebration will be in the Parish Center.

Christmas Gift Giving – It's Time to Return Gifts! December 11

Again this year we will offer our parish and school community the opportunity to brighten the lives of others in this blessed season. Share in the true spirit of Christmas by contributing to our St. Vincent de Paul neighbors and Children's Hospital. Look for information about the Gift Giving Program in the bulletin or [HERE](#).

Christmas Flower Fund

Twice a year **St. Ann's Sodality** reminds the parish that the support of the Flower Fund insures that Christ the King looks terrific for all the holidays, holy days, and special services throughout the year. A donation to the Flower Fund is a wonderful way to remember a loved one or celebrate a special occasion. An envelope is included with your monthly envelopes or send your donation to Flower Fund, c/o **Mary Kay Bohman**, 3155 Lookout Circle, 45208.

#GiveYourGifts on #GivingTuesday2022!

Our biggest fundraiser of the year needs YOU! We are asking you to give your time, talent, and energy to a great cause: **JuneFest 2023! We have identified 12 key areas in need of coordination.** Parish staff is here to support and guide you, so you don't have to go it alone. This is a great opportunity to become more involved in YOUR parish. You will make positive new connections with other members while contributing to a worthwhile event. Your new role is waiting for you! Click [HERE](#) to learn more! **JuneFest will take place on Friday, June 2 and Saturday, June 3, 2023!**

Are You Full of Baloney?

If so, we need you! We are looking for volunteers to make baloney and cheese sandwiches at home to be used by **St. Francis Seraph Ministries** for bag lunches given to those in need. Please put baloney and cheese sandwiches (NO condiments) in plastic sandwich bags and drop off Monday or Friday mornings to the cooler in the Atrium. This is a great opportunity for younger children to get involved and see how they can help others. Contact person: **Joan Hilton** cell (513) 871-9251; hilton_joan@yahoo.com

Exciting News from the JuneFest Gala! February 25, 2023

The **Naked Karate Girls** will be playing at the Gala! This is one of the best bands in the area and guarantees you'll have a GREAT time! Tell your friends and register today to attend the biggest Christ the King fundraiser of the year! Purchase tickets at www.olctk.org
Please click [HERE](#) to Purchase Tickets & View Sponsorship Opportunities!

Retirement Fund for Religious

On the weekend of **December 10 & 11**, we will take a collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Each year this collection is taken up in most U.S. Catholic parishes and helps hundreds of religious communities provide for the current and future needs of senior members. In good times and bad, senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have served our Church and world. Even a small gift will make a difference.

Retreat at the Jesuit Spiritual Center in Milford – SAVE THE DATE! February 24 – 26, 2023

"A Heart Centered Approach to the Spiritual Exercises"

The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius are designed to lead one into a deeper relationship with Jesus. This retreat will help you examine your own heart and then enter into the Heart of Jesus. There you will find the fulfillment of the prophecy of Ezekiel "I will give you a new heart and place a new spirit within you, taking from your bodies your stony hearts and giving you natural hearts." This retreat led by **Fr. Jim Kubicki, SJ** will follow the prayers of the Spiritual Exercises in hopes that through silence and prayer, these will be days of encountering our God who desires to reveal Himself to you. The fee is \$275 and includes a private room and meals during your 2-night stay at the Jesuit Spiritual Center. To register or for more information, please call 513-248-3500, ext. 10 or visit www.jesuitspiritualcenter.com

A Franciscan Christmas

St. Francis Seraph Church presents a Franciscan Christmas. See nativities from around the world as well as the Live Nativity. At the corner of Liberty & Vine Streets in Over-the-Rhine. Free parking behind SFS School 14 E. Liberty St. November 25-January 6, 2023. Free admissions/donations accepted. *Closed Dec. 25 and Jan. 1

Cardinal Pacelli Education Fund

As you make plans for "end of the year" charitable contributions, please consider the Cardinal Pacelli Education Fund. This fund helps make it possible to provide a Catholic education to a child of Christ the King parish who is unable to attend our school due to financial hardship. This will be a rewarding gesture for you and one that will be very beneficial to our community. Thank you.

High School Information

St. Ursula Academy

St. Xavier

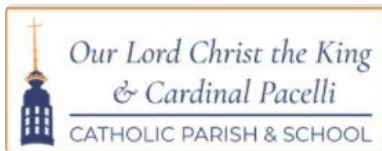
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