



Pacelli Post

Educating the Heart and Mind

September 6, 2023

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 Weekly Message

Hello,
September!

As we turn another page on the calendar to September, day 14 of the new school year has arrived! The weather may not show it as we are still experiencing the hot and steamy temperatures that August has brought, BUT fall is near. We are blessed to have a facility with air-conditioning so that after outside recess, we have a cool space in which to learn.

As I visit the classrooms and go outside for recess, I see many smiling, happy faces of your children at work and at play. This makes me feel good that the experiences they are having at Pacelli this year are great. They are learning new things, making new friends, and many are forging new relationships with their new teachers this year. This is so good to see.

New Faces Over the summer, I hope you have had the opportunity to meet Fr. Chris Komoroski, the newest member of the Riverview Catholics Family of Parishes. He frequently visits the students on campus. He particularly enjoys kicking the ball around with them after school on the Pacelli Playfield. This year, we are also delighted to have a 5th year seminarian and Parish Intern, Daniel Jasek. Some of you may have met both along with Fr. Adam and Fr. Eric at Parent Night last week. Daniel will get involved in all aspects of parish life by attending meetings, being present at Masses, and shadowing one of our priests in our family on a daily basis. He will live at St. Rose rectory. Today he spent time outside with the children while at recess playing kickball on one end of the field and then creating bracelets with the girls at the opposite end of the field. What a joy and delight to see such great interaction with our kiddos! He will be a regular around here in and out of

the classrooms and at Mass on Fridays. If you have the time after attending our school Mass on Fridays, take a few minutes to say hello and welcome him to this awesome parish school.

Girl Scouts A representative for Girl Scouts of America, Maggie Pool, visited with the girls on Tuesday while at lunch. **Tonight, Wednesday, September 6th @ 6:30 PM**, she will be in Parish Meeting Room B for a formation night sharing information about Girl Scouts and be on hand to answer any questions parents may have about the program.

I am sure there are a few of you who would love to get involved with Girl Scouts and the many activities and experiences that can be shared. Please talk with your daughters and see if there is interest in this program. It is a great after school enrichment program and one that will create memories. Don't you remember all those scouting activities, I know I do!

Leadership Over the next couple of weeks I will be visiting homerooms in grades 5 – 8 to discuss the importance of student leadership. Sometimes I think students only feel they can be a leader if they are part of the “popular” group, but I want them to know leadership is not loud or flashy but can be the quiet, dedicated friend who sets a good and kind example for others. The qualities of a good leader could be:

- A responsible & respectful student;
- A great listener and communicator;
- One capable of finding solutions that work for the whole group;
- The ability to get along and work well with others;
- Being kind and thoughtful;
- Being an attentive and cooperative student;
- Standing up for those who cannot stand up for themselves; and
- Leading by example.

These qualities will not only inspire others to act accordingly, they are life-changing characteristics. Some say that some people are natural leaders because they have inherent leadership characteristics like Mother Teresa and George Washington, but I believe these characteristics can be nurtured and cultivated in our children through all their life experiences. Our children are more than capable in exhibiting and acting upon these qualities which will last throughout their lifetime. I wonder how many people they will touch but using their God-given leadership characteristics? I am confident it will be many!

Ed Choice Expansion Currently we have about 150 students in the application phase of the Ed Choice Expansion Scholarship. I know there are still several families out there who have not applied and could potentially receive the full scholarship amount for school tuition based on the change in the poverty rate from 250% to 450%. This scholarship is **NOT** based on the location where you reside but on income only. That means all families who reside in Cincinnati, Anderson, Mariemont, Indian Hills, etc. will qualify for some amount toward your school tuition. **I STRONGLY** encourage you to complete the application, create an OH|ID Parent Portal Account with the Ohio Department of Education, and upload your financial information to that account. Send in your completed application with supporting documents to admissions@cardinalpacelli.org.

A Wired Family On Wednesday, September 13th, Steve Smith will be addressing students in grades 3 – 8 on safety protocols and apps to avoid to stay protected from predators and cyber stalking

years. Please visit his website, <https://awiredfamily.org/> for more information on internet and social media safety. There are many articles and videos on these topics. Very informative and even a Contact Us for more information or maybe even to ask a question. This is Steve's passion, I know he will respond in a timely manner.

Spirit Wear Days The Spirit Wear Days have been added to the school calendar:

- September 12 & 28
- October 10 & 26
- November 14 & 30
- December 12 & 20 (Red & Green Day)
- January 9 & 25
- February 13 & 29
- March 12 & 28
- April 9 & 25
- May 14

Job Opportunities Please [Click Here](#) for more information regarding job opportunities at our school.

- **Recess & Cafeteria Aide:** If you are not interested in the Recess or Cafeteria Aide for yourself, maybe you know someone who would be interested. Please share this with others. It will be extremely helpful to our teachers to be able to have a full lunch break.
- **Auxiliary Clerk:** Recently, we lost our clerk from Cincinnati Public Schools. This position is an intricate part in the Auxiliary funding from the state for school purchases. It is a two day per week position (approximately 15 hours per week). It is mostly clerical and ordering but does involve checking in orders, tagging electronic devices, stamping textbooks, and delivering items to classrooms. Cincinnati Public is posting the position but if you are interested, I can get the details of applying for the position to you.

The first Australian to be recognized by the Catholic Church as a **saint. Mary MacKillop** is the patron **saint** of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane, *"It is by love that God has always led me, by love God reproves me, by love that God lets me see love in all."* ~ Saint Mary MacKillop of the Cross

God is Good,
Mrs. Terri Cento

PTO News

Pacelli Panther Walk Fundraiser is On!

Yesterday we kicked off our first ever Pacelli Panther Walk Fundraiser with the students during an all-school pep rally! This fundraiser replaces the Magazine Sale and our goal is for it to be the ONLY fundraiser PTO runs for the rest of the year. Each student has a \$100 fundraising goal. [Click](#)



PACELLI PANTHER WALK

[here for more information about the fundraiser and how PTO uses the money raised to support our school and traditions!](#) Our Panther Walk Fundraising site makes it easy to ask friends and family to sponsor your child or to participate in the fundraising buyout! Click here to go to the fundraising site: [Pacelli Panther Walk](#).

Ways to Get Involved with PTO

Thank you for all who have pledged your time already this year! If you're looking for more ways to get involved, keep your eyes open for event sign-ups (like Godspell Jr. and Panther Walk) or reach out to learn more about the following board and chair positions that are open! We are currently looking for an assistant treasurer to join our board, as well as someone (or couple of someones) who would like to chair the Talent Show (February) or the Health & Wellness Committee (throughout the school year).



October 6th is the Father-Daughter Dance!

Start thinking about fall fashion for the Harvest Hop! Tickets go on sale Monday, September 18th for the dance!

Thank You for Buying Mums + Pumpkins!

Thank you for supporting our playgrounds and PTO through your mums and pumpkins purchases! Please mark your calendars to pick up your orders on Saturday, September 30th between 10-12.

Halloween Costume Swap!

Get your old Halloween costumes ready for our First Ever Halloween Costume Swap! The event will take place during the Mum + Pumpkin pick-up on September 30th from 10-12. More details coming soon!

Upcoming Events

- September 12 - Spirit Wear Day
- September 13 - Confirmation Parent Meeting 7 pm
- September 15 - School Walk-A-Thon
- September 27 - Picture Day



- September 28 - Spirit Wear Day
- September 30 - Pet Blessing

September Lunch Menu

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High Schools

St. Ursula Academy

Ursuline Academy

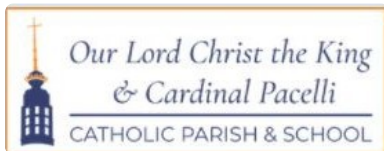
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