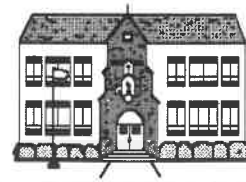


# Blessed Sacrament School

Learn... Serve... Lead... Succeed.



## NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2021



### Happy New Year... Time For New Beginnings

"This is a time for reflection as well as celebration.

As you look back on the past year and all that has taken place in your life, remember each experience for the good that has come of it and for the knowledge you have gained. Remember the efforts you have made and the goals you have reached. Remember the love you have shared and the happiness you have brought. Remember the laughter, the joy, the hard work, and the tears. And as you reflect on the past year, also be thinking of the new one to come.

**"Because most importantly, this is a time of new beginnings and the celebration of life."**

(Taylor Addison, Blue Mountain Arts, 1989)

As we begin another year, it is our hope and prayer that Christ will be the center of our lives. May He send forth His choicest blessings to you and your family throughout this coming year.

We look forward to working with you in preparing your child/children to meet the challenges of the future. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

### Snow Days



Here is a reminder for when inclement weather and related problems cause schools to either open late or to be closed for the day. Blessed Sacrament School will be listed by name. Tune in to channels 3, 5, or 9. They may also list Syracuse Parochial Schools.

BSS also sends you a text and email notice of the delay or closing. We do follow Syracuse City School District delayed opening and snow days. SCSD may still have snow days but they will require their students to be in class remotely. Blessed Sacrament School will not require students to be remote learners on snow days.

### January Year of Service

New year....NEW SOCKS. For our January Service Project we are asking for donations of **new adult white crew socks**. We will be donating the socks to In My Fathers Kitchen. These socks will be given to homeless men and women. The homeless have no place or means to do laundry and socks are given out so they will have fresh, clean socks to change in to and keep their feet warm. These socks are referred to as "Freshies". Donations will be accepted throughout the month of January.

### School Enrollment



Reapplying for admission for the 2021-2022 school year will be online this year. **Information about how to apply online will be sent home the week of January 11<sup>th</sup>.**

Financial aid information will also be included. If you have younger children who will be entering Kindergarten, Tiny Eagles, or Pre-K, please be sure to include them on the application.

**All re-applications and financial aid applications must be completed online no later than February 15, 2021. It is extremely important for families to submit their forms and application fee on a timely basis.**

Every family who completes their online re-application by **2/15/20** will be eligible for a scholarship drawing. Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded. This drawing will take place at the **March 11, 2021 PTA Meeting**. Thank you so very much for your cooperation and assistance.

For our 2020-2021 financial aid assessment process, we are again partnering with FACTS Grant Aid Assessment to conduct the financial need analysis and verification for schools of our diocese. All Financial Aid applications must be submitted online by **2/15/20**. Directions will be included in the re-enrollment packets. Mrs. Medina, our finance manager, is willing to assist parents with this process. Please call her at 437-3394 for assistance.

In-house re-application is necessary to be submitted on a timely basis so we can accept open enrollment for families on the waiting list and the general public if there are any other openings available.

### National Catholic Schools Week

Blessed Sacrament School will join with Catholic schools across the nation in celebrating national Catholic Schools Week beginning January 29<sup>th</sup> through Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>. This year's theme is **Catholic Schools ...Learn...Serve...Lead...Succeed**. Your child will bring home a special flyer describing all this year's activities.

### Thank You



We would like to sincerely thank everyone who donated warm hats, mittens, socks, and other items for our "Giving Tree". All your thoughtful gifts were given to our Parish Outreach Ministry for distribution throughout the winter months. We also appreciate all the generous donations to SantaPaws. The shelter animals will be happy to receive their toys, treats, and food.

Students felt good about having the opportunity to help others. Students said that this experience helped them to realize the true meaning of Christmas. We are very proud of them and their efforts.