

March 2017

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School Website

<http://www.lourdescatholic.org>

Or just stop by!

1453 Mississippi Blvd., Bettendorf

Lourdes Catholic School

H & S Newsletter



A Message from our Principal—Ms. Alongi

Greetings!

Do you know a family looking for a quality kindergarten for the 2017-2018 school year? Lourdes Catholic School has caring kindergarten teachers and teacher aides, ready to welcome new students this fall! In addition to our faith-centered education, 100% of our current kindergarteners tested at or above the winter proficiency level for early reading skills! With evidence like this, who wouldn't want to be a part of our Lourdes family?? A final kindergarten round up has been scheduled for 5:30 PM on Tuesday,

March 21st. Come and see what makes Lourdes' kindergarten one-of-a-kind! Can't make it on the 21st? Call me at 563.359.3466 to schedule a personalized tour!



Plans are underway for our middle school science lab remodel. It will be completed over the summer and ready to use for the first day of school. Thank you so much to Home and School for supporting this project. Half of the money is coming from a grant, but the other half is coming from Lourdes Starry Night 2016 and Lourdes Starry Night 2017!

Respectfully,
Ms. Jennifer Alongi,
Principal

LOURDES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

FINAL KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP

DATE: TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2017
TIME: 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM

COME TO THE SCHOOL ENTRANCE ON MISSISSIPPI BLVD.

CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO ATTEND!

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Home & School President's Corner — Nicki Johnson

Spring is almost here! We've had a taste of warm weather these last couple of weeks and I know we are all looking forward to more. This month Home & School's main focus is on our Starry Night Fundraiser and on preparing for Home & School Elections for next year.

Our Starry Night Fundraiser event is Saturday, March 4th. We hope you have bought tickets already, but if not you can purchase them at www.LourdesStarryNight.com. If you are not able to attend, please consider a donation which you can also make on the website. This fundraiser will provide field trips, computers, textbooks and funds towards our new middle school science lab.

The Home & School election process will begin in March. You will see forms coming home with openings for board positions and service chair positions. Please consider volunteering your time and talents. Your kids will also love that you're part of their school lives.

Warm regards,

Nicki Johnson

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If you shop at Schnucks - please request a rewards card and designate Lourdes as the beneficiary!

[SCRIP order form \(in stock\)](#)

[SCRIP order form \(need to order\)](#)

\$216,964 in SCRIP sold!

Here's another way for you to help earn money to support the various school activities paid for through Home & School. Lourdes Catholic School is now part of the **AmazonSmile** program. AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon that **donates 0.5% of the purchase price** of eligible items to the charitable organization of your choice. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail page. To sign-up go to smile.amazon.com. You will be asked to select a charitable organization from a list. The name of the organization for LCS is **Our Lady of Lourdes Church** of Bettendorf, Iowa. For legal purposes the name had to be registered as the church, but all monies will go to the school. Once registered all you need to do is start purchasing! The H&S Board and I thank you for your continued support of our school!



Updates from the Faith Formation Board

It has been a busy few months for the Faith Formation Board. Here are a few of the highlights:

Strategic Initiatives Continue to Move Forward - On January 24, 2017, the Lourdes Catholic School Strategic Initiatives were reviewed and updated with Dan Ebener. A summary document of our progress can be found on our website at http://www.lourdescatholic.org/Page/Faith_Formation_Board.aspx?nt=20.

Name Change to Board of Education starting in 2017-2018 – What was once old is new again! Years ago our board was called the Board of Education. It was then changed to the Faith Formation Board to reflect the work the board did in the school and also with religious education programs. While Faith Formation does describe what we do, it is a confusing title to so many people (including me when we first started at Lourdes Catholic School). Since our primary work deals with the school, the board decided to start the transition in title back to the Board of Education. We will officially change our name on July 1, 2017. Our work and purpose will not change, only our name. We will be distributing more information in the coming months about the name change.

2017-2018 Budget Approved by Faith Formation Board – After months of work, our budget for the next academic year was approved by the Faith Formation Board. We have sent the budget onto the Parish Finance Council for final approval. Once it is approved, we will share the highlights of the budget through an email distribution to everyone. If you would like to review the detailed budget, feel free to reach out to me and I can provide you with a copy of what was approved by the Faith Formation Board.

Thinking About 2017-2018 Board of Education Members – In the next month we will start recruiting new board members for 2017-2018. If you have any interest in being a part of the board, please contact me, as I am happy to discuss the open positions and what being a board member entails. It is a great way to serve our school and parish. More information to come soon.

Seeking Volunteers with Grant Writing Experience – We are looking to grow and strengthen our current group of volunteers that helps write grants for the school. If you have grant-writing experience, we would love your assistance. You do not need to be a board member to assist in this manner. Contact me or Ms. Alongi if you have interest in serving our community in this manner.

As always, you can find our meeting dates and minutes on the website. If you have questions, let me know.

Mike Puthoff
 2016-2017 Faith Formation Board President
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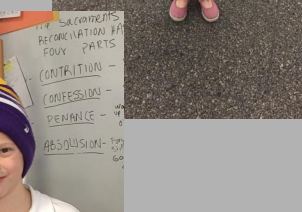
2017 Catholic Schools Week

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Mom's Morning!

Join us on Wednesday mornings after mass. This is a group of like-minded moms who would like to get together to encourage each other through prayer, book talks, guest speakers and fellowship! Children are welcome! Join us in the Faith Formation room, just off the church Gathering Space, every Wednesday 10-11am.

VANCO Online Giving

Our Lady of Lourdes is excited to announce that you can now manage your giving online! Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet.

Simply follow these easy steps:

1. Visit the church website at [www.lourdescatholic.com]
2. Click on the **VANCO-Online** Contributions button.
3. Click on the Create Profile button
4. Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.

If you have questions or need assistance please call (563) 359-0345. Thank you



NCYC 2017 November 16-18, 2017 Indianapolis, Indiana

It's time to register for NCYC! All current 8-11 grade teens at Our Lady of Lourdes who want to attend NCYC with 25,000 others teens on November 16-18, 2017 in Indianapolis are invited to get on the the Lourdes Bus! To reserve your spot, please complete the NCYC registration packet that is in the Gathering Space. Contact Sara Scogland, Coordinator of Youth Ministry with Questions @ 815-990-1871.

There will be a NCYC Registration Booth in the Gathering after ALL Masses, January 21-22. Stop by and ask questions. Check out the photos and be a part of the planning for this incredible pilgrimage.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

To see the schedule of early-outs, please check the [Full Calendar](#), on the school website.

- 2/28 Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 3/1 Mass - Ash Wednesday
- 3/1 Early Release
- 3/1 Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 3/2 NUT Day
- 3/3 No School All Grades/ No Faith Friday
- 3/4 Starry Night Fundraiser - Tanglewood Hills Pavilion
- 3/6 Student Council Meeting

- 3/7 5th/8th grade to Assumption Spring musical
- 3/8 Mass
- 3/8 2nd grade First Reconciliation Prep, OLOL
- 3/9 No preschool/Prek, Parent-Teacher conferences
- 3/9 FFB Meeting, Library
- 3/10 No Preschool/Prek, Parent-Teacher conferences
- 3/10 No Faith Fridays
- 3/11 LLH Open House & Pre-Registration
- 3/13-3/17 Spring Break
- 3/21 Kindergarten Round-Up
- 3/23 2nd Grade First Reconciliation, OLOL

This calendar highlights Parish "special" events and happenings.



MARCH 2017



For regularly scheduled masses, etc., please refer to the "Week at a Glance" on Page 2 each week.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Location Acronyms</p> <p>PAC Parish Activity Center FFR Faith Formation Room GS Gathering Space LL Lourdes School Library RCR Rectory Conference Room RR Reconciliation Room YR Youth Room (LCS)</p>			<p>1</p> <p>ASH WEDNESDAY Masses: 6:30 & 9:00 am 6:30 pm Parents in Prayer: 8:30 am, RR Youth Group: 7:45 pm Choir: 7:30 pm</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Ensemble Practice: 6:30 pm</p> <p>4th Degree K of C: 7 pm, GS</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Adoration: 7 am-3 pm</p> <p>15 Decade Rosary: 1-1:30 pm, Chapel</p>	<p>4</p> <p>EMHC Training: 9 am, Church</p> <p>FORMED: 9:15 am, RCR</p> <p>Reconciliation 4 pm, Church</p> <p>Starry Night: 6:30 pm, Tanglewood Hills Pavilion</p>
<p>5</p> <p>Adoration: 12-4 pm</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Centering Prayer: 9 am, FFR</p> <p>Parents in Prayer: 2:50 RR</p> <p>Reconciliation: 4:30 pm</p> <p>Stations of Cross: 5 pm</p> <p>Mass: 5:30 pm</p> <p>Soup Supper: 6 pm</p> <p>RCIA: 6 pm, FFR</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Adoration: 5-10 pm, Church</p> <p>Faith Friends: 6:30 pm, FFR</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Parents in Prayer: 8:30 am, RR</p> <p>RE: 6 pm</p> <p>Faith Sharing: 6 pm, FFR</p> <p>Choir: 6:30 pm</p> <p>Youth Group: 7:45 pm</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Ensemble Practice: 6:30 pm</p> <p>Faith Formation Board Mtg: 6:30 pm, LL</p> <p>AED: 7 pm, FFR</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Adoration: 7 am-3 pm</p> <p>15 Decade Rosary: 1-1:30 pm, Chapel</p>	<p>11</p> <p>FORMED: 9:15 am, RCR</p> <p>Media Sale: Gathering Space</p> <p>Reconciliation 4 pm, Church</p>
<p>12</p> <p>Daylight Savings Time Begins!</p> <p>Media Sale: Gathering Space</p> <p>Adoration: 12-4 pm</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Centering Prayer: 9 am, FFR</p> <p>Parents in Prayer: 2:50 RR</p> <p>Reconciliation: 4:30 pm</p> <p>Stations of Cross: 5 pm</p> <p>Mass: 5:30 pm</p> <p>Soup Supper: 6 pm</p> <p>RCIA: 6 pm, FFR</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Endowment: 7 am, RCR</p> <p>Adoration: 5-10 pm, Church</p> <p>Liturgy Mtg: 6 pm, FFR</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Parents in Prayer: 8:30 am, RR</p> <p>RE: 6 pm</p> <p>Faith Sharing: 6 pm, FFR</p> <p>Choir: 6:30 pm</p> <p>Youth Group: 7:45 pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Ensemble Practice: 6:30 pm</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Adoration: 7 am-3 pm</p> <p>15 Decade Rosary: 1-1:30 pm, Chapel</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Food Pantry Wknd</p> <p>FORMED: 9:15 am, RCR</p> <p>Reconciliation 4 pm, Church</p>
<p>19</p> <p>FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY</p> <p>Adoration: 12-4 pm</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Centering Prayer: 9 am, FFR</p> <p>Parents in Prayer: 2:50 RR</p> <p>Reconciliation: 4:30 pm</p> <p>Stations of Cross: 5 pm</p> <p>Mass: 5:30 pm</p> <p>Soup Supper: 6 pm</p> <p>RCIA: 6 pm, FFR</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Finance Cmte Mtg: 7:10 am, RCR</p> <p>Adoration: 5-10 pm, Church</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Parents in Prayer: 8:30 am, RR</p> <p>RE: 6 pm</p> <p>Faith Sharing: 6 pm, FFR</p> <p>Choir: 6:30 pm</p> <p>Youth Group: 7:45 pm</p>	<p>23</p> <p>1st Reconciliation: 6:00 pm</p> <p>Ensemble Practice: 6:30 pm</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Adoration: 7 am-3 pm</p> <p>15 Decade Rosary: 1-1:30 pm, Chapel</p>	<p>25</p> <p>OLOL Strategic Planning: 9 am, GS</p> <p>FORMED: 9:15 am, RCR</p> <p>Reconciliation 4 pm, Church</p>
<p>26</p> <p>Adoration: 12-4 pm</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Centering Prayer: 9 am, FFR</p> <p>Parents in Prayer: 2:50 RR</p> <p>Reconciliation: 4:30 pm</p> <p>Stations of Cross: 5 pm</p> <p>Mass: 5:30 pm</p> <p>Soup Supper: 6 pm</p> <p>RCIA: 6 pm, FFR</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Adoration: 5-10 pm, Church</p> <p>Reconciliation: 6:30 pm</p> <p>Pastoral Cncl: 7 pm, PAC</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Parents in Prayer: 8:30 am, RR</p> <p>RE: 6 pm</p> <p>Faith Sharing: 6 pm, FFR</p> <p>Choir: 6:30 pm</p> <p>Youth Group: 7:45 pm</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Ensemble Practice: 6:30 pm</p> <p>CEW Renewal: 7:00 pm, GS</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Adoration: 7 am-3 pm</p> <p>15 Decade Rosary: 1-1:30 pm, Chapel</p>	

2017/2018 School-Year

Yes, we are already making plans for the 2017/2018 school-year! A reminder to please pre-register for next school year. Staffing decisions need to be made in March, and teachers are offered contracts in April based on the number of students enrolled at that point in time. This is why we have a discounted registration fee right now through March 1. We want to make sure families register early so that we can offer all of our teachers contracts in April.

Program Descriptions:

http://lourdescatholic.org/SiteContent/Documents//File/Registration/17_18//PS_PreK%20Program%20Descriptions%202017-18.pdf

Pre-Registration Form:

http://lourdescatholic.org/SiteContent/Documents//File/Registration/17_18//PSPK%20PreReg%20Form%202017-18.pdf

Tuition Assistance Info:

http://lourdescatholic.org/SiteContent/Documents//File/Registration/17_18//Tuiton%20Assistance%20

The 2016/2017 **Yearbook** is \$17 and will be on sale through Feb. 28th. You can order through the link below. There will be another sales period in March, but the cost will increase to \$22.

<http://www.jostens.com/apps/store/customer/1898600/Lourdes-Catholic-School/>



The Brownies made and delivered Valentines to the Bettendorf Healthcare Center



SCOUTS



5th Grade Cub Scouts bridged up to Boy Scouts



Cub Scouts served for Do-nut Sunday



Everyone's favorite time of year - Girl Scout cookies are here!



This Saturday!!!

<http://www.lourdesstarrynight.com/>

Starry Night 2017 is raising money to replace 13 computers in the computer lab and 5 teacher laptops, to purchase K-2nd grade Reading/LA textbooks, and 2nd- 5th grade TCI Social Studies textbooks. We are also looking to our future to raise the remaining matching dollars needed for a Middle School Science Lab grant.

Starry Night Fun Facts

- \$45/person to attend - [register](#)
- Drinks and heavy appetizers at the event
- [Live Auction](#) items for vacations, sports game tickets and more!
- Silent Auction items for [party packages](#), [sports camps](#), [classroom parties](#) and [more!](#)
- Everyone’s Favorite - Class Art Project Auctions!
- Wine Pull
- 5 Raffle Ticket Winners- \$300 in SCRIP, each!
- Student Raffle Basket - (winner drawn end of school day 3/2)



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Kids Korner

