



Catholic Schools Walk

Catholic Schools Walk is an annual fundraising walk geared towards building community within our Catholic schools, celebrating Catholic education and helping all of the Catholic schools within the Archdiocese raise money to support educational costs. **All proceeds raised at our school are kept within the school; that means 100% of the money raised comes to our school!** Money raised will be used for the following:

- Reduce the cost of field trips. Bussing costs have almost tripled since last year. To reduce the burden on families, money raised from the Catholic Schools Walk will be used to help pay for buses.
- Playground equipment and improvements, such as new game equipment, structure repairs and/or replacement.
- Outdoor reflection area and outdoor classroom seating, additions to the area such as whiteboards.
- Technology for classrooms, such as new chromebooks, tablets, and laptops.

A HUGE Thank you to the Knights of Columbus Council 1709 for their generous donation that helped us reach our goal!

For each level achieved towards our fundraising goal, students will earn an incentive. Check out these cool incentives:

\$750 - Crazy hat, crazy hair, crazy dress and crazy shoe day!- Whoot whoot earned!

\$1,500 - Movie, Slushie and Popcorn Bar- Whoot whoot earned!

\$3,000 - Chalk the Lot- draw and cover the parking lot with chalk- Whoot whoot earned!

\$6,000 - Mad Scientist Day - Dress like a mad scientist and participate in STEM activities and science experiments

\$9,000 - Student "YES" Day- students choice day for activities, lunch, and many more surprises!

We will continue to take donations until Friday, November 17th.

Help us reach our goals by texting **SCHOOLSWALK12** to **71777** or at <https://fundraise.givesmart.com/vf/SCHOOLSWALK/team/DivineMercy> Thank you for generously supporting our fabulous Catholic School!

Pie Mrs. Rucka

On Friday, November 17, 2023 students will have the opportunity to throw a pie at Mrs. Rucka for \$1! All proceeds will go to the Catholic Schools Walk. For \$20, students will get 20 small, individual pies and one large pie!

Halloween Parties

Classrooms will be having Halloween parties on Tuesday, October 31. Please see individual letters/newsletters from your child's teacher for details. Students will be allowed to wear costumes to school. Costumes must be school appropriate. Costumes may not be/have:

1. Violent or gruesome nature (e.g. fake blood, scars, pretend wounds)
2. Revealing, e.g. short skirts, short shorts, or tank tops. Must be modest.
3. Contain weapons such as guns, swords
4. Masks may not be worn .

Minimal face paint will be allowed, such as painting whiskers on a face. Students must be able to take their costume on and off as well. If your child does not want to wear a costume, he/she may be out of uniform if they wear orange, black or a school appropriate Halloween theme shirt/dress.

All Saints Day

Join us on Wednesday, November 1, 2023 to celebrate All Saints Day and the Eucharist! Parents and families are welcome to come. After Mass, students from the 4th and 5th grade classes will be presenting a Saint Museum in the cafeteria for all to see. Come learn about the many Saints that have inspired us!

Veterans Day Mass

Come celebrate Veterans Day with us! 8:30am mass followed by recognition of our Veterans. Please invite all family, friends & grandparents who have served or are currently serving.

Wall of Honor

Divine Mercy students and teachers would like to honor the veterans in our lives through a [Wall of Honor](#). See the link below and fill in your brick for any special veteran (alive or deceased). The bricks will be used to build a Wall of Honor to honor our veterans.

Buddy Mass

Divine Mercy's Parish School and Christian Formation Masses (formerly Buddy Masses) are an opportunity for youth from both Divine Mercy Catholic School and Divine Mercy Parish to grow as prayerful leaders. All Masses are held at Divine Mercy Parish (800 Marquette Ave, South Milwaukee, WI 53172).

We invite students to sign up and participate during these masses – families are invited to join, attend mass, and connect with all parish members. Students may sign up to greet parishioners, read, present the gifts, or assist Ushers. **For readers, the readings and petitions will be sent home with your student the week of the mass.**

See dates below for your grade's Mass. All students and families are invited and encouraged to attend all 2023-2024 Parish School and Christian Formation Masses.

[Sunday, November 12 at 9:30 A.M.: K3, 3rd & 8th Grades](#)

[Sunday, January 28 at 9:30 A.M.: All Grades, Catholic Schools Week](#)

[Sunday, February 18 at 9:30 A.M.: 1st & 4th Grades](#)

[Sunday, March 17 at 9:30 A.M.: K5 & 5th Grades](#)

[Sunday, April 14 at 9:30 A.M.: K4 & 6th Grades](#)

[Sunday, May 12 at 9:30 A.M.: All Grades](#)

Upcoming Dates:

- 10/31 Halloween Costumes may be worn or out of uniform with orange, black or school appropriate halloween theme shirt/dress
 - 10/31 **NO CLUBS**
 - 11/1 All Saints Day - Join us for Mass at 8:30am and the Saint Museum to follow!
 - 11/3 Early Release 11:30, teacher professional development in the afternoon
 - 11/6 Spirit Wear Day - wear black, red or Divine Mercy Spirit wear with uniform bottoms
 - 11/08 Veterans Day Mass - 8:30am
 - 11/10 No School
 - 11/12 K3, 3rd & 8th Grade Buddy Mass 9:30am - Marquette Ave.
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Attachments

- [Wall of Honor](#)
- [Catholic Schools Walk - Line our hallway with shoes!](#)
- [Faith Formation](#)