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### **Outdoor Gear**

The weather outside is changing! Please be sure to send jackets, gloves, and hats. Be sure to label all items! Our playground gets very cold and windy. Students need a jacket and appropriate gear to go outside. If you are in need of a coat, mittens, hats, etc please let the office know.

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### **It's basketball time!**

Divine Mercy Catholic School hosts basketball games for the Parkview Parochial League every year. The basketball schedule has been finalized. Volunteers are needed to help with the following areas:

- Admissions- collect admissions, monitor the door, help direct patrons into the gym
- Score Table- keep score of game, run the clock, mark information in the scorebooks
- Concessions- prep, sell, and clean up simple concessions (chips, hot dogs, water, soda)

Help is needed and essential for our season to be successful. Without volunteers, our school will not be able to host games, which will result in a loss of revenue for our athletics program. Anyone can volunteer- all families are encouraged to help!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044EABAB29AAFC1-46793070-basketball#/>

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### **Puffs**

It's that time of year for Puffs! Puffs are a delectable pastry dessert topped with almond frosting and nuts (optional). The Puffs fundraiser is a Divine Mercy tradition, dating back to the 1980's! Puffs will be sold before and after masses the weekend of January 27-28, 2024. We need your help to make this wonderful fundraiser a success. There are multiple opportunities to help, between baking, boxing, and selling! Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. Thank you for helping us continue with this tradition!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044EABAB29AAFC1-47048024-puffs>

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### **Catholic Schools Week Mass**

Join us for the all school mass in celebration of Catholic Schools Week - and sign up to have your student participate on Sunday, Jan. 28 at 9:30! 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.

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.

SIGN UP HERE: [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](#)

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### **Carline Reminders**

Cars need to enter the carline from the east on Badger Avenue. Recently there have been a number of vehicles that are either making left turns into the carline from Badger or making u- turns and holding up the traffic on Badger coming from Walmart. It has been requested from the South Milwaukee Police Department that individuals no longer do this. As a reminder, cars should enter from the east (Lake Drive) onto Badger Avenue. Driveways should not be blocked while waiting in the carline. We must all work together and follow traffic expectations.

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### **Love ED**

Parents are you searching for resources that will help give clarity to the Catholic perspective on relationships, puberty, the human body, and young adulthood? If so then, LoveEd is the program for you! LoveEd is a faith based guided conversation program between parents and children. An informational meeting for parents about the program, how it works and what to expect will be held on Wednesday, January 17, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. at Divine Mercy Parish (800 Marquette Avenue). Please see the attached flyer for more details and RSVP information.

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### **Dates to remember:**

- 1/8 - Spirit Wear
  - 1/15 - No School
  - 1/28 - Catholic Schools Week Mass: 9:30am, Marquette Ave.
  - 1/29-2/2 - Catholic Schools Week
  - 2/1 - OPEN HOUSE
  - 2/2 - Early Release
  - 2/9 - No School
  - 2/9 - Sipply Divine
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### **Attachments**

- [Love ED Flyer](#)