



VIP Day is back!

VIP Day, or Very Important Person Day will be held on Wednesday, May 1, 2024. VIP Day is an opportunity for students to invite their "Very Important People" to attend Mass, a special brunch, and bingo. Mass begins at 8:30 a.m. at the Divine Mercy Parish located at 800 Marquette Avenue. Brunch and bingo will follow mass. Students will be picked up by bus from the church to return to school beginning at 11:00 a.m.. For planning purposes and due to space constraints, students may bring up to three VIP's. Please use the form below to RSVP how many individuals your child will be bringing. **All RSVPs for the day are due via the form below by Friday, April 19, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.. There can be no additions to the list after this date, so please be sure to do so.**

Please use the following link to complete your RSVP. Each student will be allowed to bring up to 3 individuals/VIP's; no exceptions. When completing, be sure to include your child's name, grade and number of individuals coming. A RSVP needs to be completed for each child. Permission slips for the return bus ride need to be handed into the office by Friday, April 19, 2024. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Thank you and we look forward to celebrating this very special day with all of you!

<https://form.jotform.com/240774605886165>

Eucharistic Miracles

Divine Mercy Catholic Parish and School have the honor of presenting the Eucharistic Miracles from April 11- April 14, 2024. Join us for a self-guided tour of 158 Eucharistic miracles collected from 22 countries, prayerfully gathered by Blessed Carlo Acutis before his death on October 12, 2006. All verified and approved by the Catholic Church, this is an amazing opportunity to delve deeper into your faith and witness the True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Students will be learning about the Eucharistic Miracles and walking through them on Thursday, April 11 and Friday, April 12. Parents, families and friends are welcome to come to the school gym on Thursday, April 11 from 2:00- 6:00 p.m. to witness these amazing miracles themselves. Come one, come all to be in this once in a lifetime experience. See the attached [flyer](#) for more information.

As it is a blessing and privilege for Divine Mercy to host the Eucharistic Miracles exhibit, we will need a lot of help to make it successful! There are a number of areas in which we can use your help! Consider volunteering for one of the following:

- Pick up and Set Up
- Take down and Return
- Door Monitors during the hours of viewing

Please check the dates and times on our sign up below from Wednesday, April 10, 2024 – Sunday, April 14, 2024, and see how you can help us. Make sure to note the location of the shifts- Thursday and Friday will be at College Ave, and Saturday and Sunday will be at Marquette Ave.

You can sign up to volunteer online at <http://bit.ly/Miracles24> or by contacting Cindy Semski at 414-412-2047 or at pcsemski@netzero.com

Thank you for your support of this opportunity!

Home & School 8th Grade Scholarship

Home and School would like to announce the first annual 8th Grade Scholarship! Students in 8th grade who are planning to attend a Catholic High School will have the opportunity to demonstrate how their academics, extracurriculars, and service have prepared them to share, celebrate, teach and inspire others to be disciples of Christ as they enter high school. Scholarship applications and recommendations are due by May 10, 2024 to the main office. Two winners will be announced at 8th grade graduation on June 5, 2024. See attached [application](#).

Bright chat reminder

Bright Arrow/Bright Chat is a communication tool for parents, teachers and the school to use to share information, such as student absences, student illness, or to seek answers to questions about student performance/behaviors, etc.. Staff and office will now have office hours from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Fridays. As listed in the parent handbook online, the office and staff have 24 hours to respond to inquiries. Any response received after office hours, e.g. after 4:30 p.m., will receive a response the following day during office hours. Responses sent on Friday after 4:30 p.m. or on the weekends, will receive a response on Monday during office hours.

St. Gerard's Scholarships

We are pleased to announce that the St. Gerard Fund will be accepting applications for Catholic school scholarships for **students currently in grades 2-8**. The St. Gerard Fund has expanded to provide scholarships to deserving 8th graders who will be attending a Catholic high school in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. The St. Gerard Fund will award up to 100 scholarships for the 2024-25 school year in the amount of \$800 each to students in grades 3-8, and \$1000 to 9th grade students enrolled at a Catholic high school in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

Awards will be based primarily on:

1. Demonstrated volunteerism by the student and the student's family in the school, church, or community.
2. Academic achievement or demonstrated academic effort by the Student.
3. Special financial need of the student's family.

Applications are due to the school office by Wednesday, April 10, 2024. Please make note; this is an extension. See attached [flyer](#) for more information.

Spirit Wear Store

Our [Spirit Wear](#) store is open for the last time this school year! Orders will be collected and produced after the store has closed on April 8th. If you select "in store pickup", your order will be delivered to the school office for distribution. Any questions, please contact the school office.

Lunch/Recess Volunteers

Please donate your time to show our teachers some appreciation! We need SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINED volunteers to help with lunch and recess duty so that our teachers can have a little break during teacher appreciation week! All volunteers must have completed the Archdiocese "Safe Environment" training. Please [sign up](#) for a day & time slot below. Any questions, please contact Jamie Gonzalez from Home & School at jkramer05@gmail.com Thank you for your support of our staff and school!

Lenten meal- He Is Risen

Divine Mercy Parish cordially invites your family to join us for a meal and fellowship on Wednesday, April 17, 2024 from 6:00- 7:30 p.m.. Bring the family and talk with others about how to keep Christ alive in our homes, hearts, and lives. Please see the attached [flyer](#) for more information and RSVP.

Dates to remember:

- 3/29-4/5 Easter Break
- 4/8 School Resumes, Spirit Day- wear your DM spirit wear, red or black with uniform bottoms
- 4/8 Spirit Wear Store Closes
- 4/9 Forward testing resumes
- 4/19 Permission slips and money due for VIP Day, Trimborn Farms, First Stage and Betty Brinn

Attachments

- [Eucharistic Miracles](#)
- [Home and School Scholarship Application](#)
- [St. Gerard Scholarship](#)
- [Spirit Wear Store](#)
- [April Lunch Menu](#)
- [Lunch/Recess Volunteer Link](#)
- [Divine Mercy Sunday Flyer](#)
- [He is Risen Meal Flyer](#)