



The mission of Saint Brigid School, in partnership with family, parish and community, is to educate and encourage students to reach their fullest potential – mind, body and spirit – in an environment of support, understanding and Christian values.

## Prayer for Students

Almighty Father,

You sent forth your Son as a beacon of hope for all people.

As Teacher, He has given us the prime example of the importance of education.

As disciples, we look to Him for inspiration and strength.

Thank you for the many sisters, brothers, priests, and laypeople who have dedicated their lives in service to our Catholic schools.

Thank you for the teachers and administrators who sustain our schools today.

Thank you for the parents who have given support and witness to the importance of Catholic education in their daily lives.

Amen

## Kindergarten Open House

Come grow with us at Saint Brigid Catholic School. Join us for our Kindergarten Open House, Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. Upcoming Kindergarten students and their parents are invited to come in to meet our Kindergarten teacher and staff.

Parents will receive information about our curriculum, uniform, after school clubs, along everything that Saint Brigid has to offer. The students will have the opportunity to spend time in the Kindergarten classroom and participate in various fun activities that Mrs. H has planned

*Faith, Academics, Life*

*"We learn about God and all the things that He did for us." – Mia H., Kindergarten student*

## Come see what we are all about!

## Valentine's Day

Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, is Valentine's Day! All students and staff can wear jeans along with Valentine's Day colors (pink, red, and/or white). All classroom parties will take place in the afternoon. Please contact your students teacher(s) with any questions regarding their parties.

## 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School

Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, marks the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school. Students in grades Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> are encouraged to dress like they are 100 years old. Teachers will have activities in these classrooms for the kids to participate in.

## Outdoor Recess

Michigan weather is not always predictable, please be sure that your student(s) are bringing warm outdoor gear for playground/recess time. Students will go outdoors as long as temperatures are above 0°F (with wind chill). Gloves, hats, snow pants, and boots are strongly suggested. Please contact the school office if your child is in need of any cold weather gear.

## School and Club Dismissal

We will continue to have dismissal in the foyer of the school during these cold winter days. Students are dismissed from classes at **3:00 p.m.** Grades K – 5 students will be released once their pick up is in the building.

Please remember that if your child (K-5) is participating in an after school club, they **must** be signed out after club dismissal in order to be released.

## Athletics

Saint Brigid 3/4 grade co-ed basketball season has begun. Practices will run Thursdays from 3:15 – 4:45 p.m. through March 23.

### Green Team

Steve Budd-Coach  
John Budd  
Anastasia Budd  
Rylee Marshall  
Aiden Marshall  
Ciaran Knight  
Conrad Wardin  
Dan Schneider

### White Team

Jill Bischer - Coach  
Liam Bischer  
Ella Waskevich  
Jack Waskevich  
Konner Minuth  
Leyton Minuth  
Caleb Pider  
McKinley Danner  
Alexis Kierpiec

Saint Brigid M.S. volleyball teams have also begun their season. Practice schedule will be Tuesdays and Thursdays 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. (unless otherwise communicated with parents).

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Team

Kathy Fritz–Coach  
Jerry Cain-Coach  
Camille Wardin  
Jenna Nyman  
Eden Friedman  
Norah Allington  
Clara Allington  
Emma Dodick  
Cheryl Fritz  
Rachael Cain

### 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Team

Amy Sommer-Coach  
Caitlin Markel  
Allison Miller  
Vivian Deeth  
Maeve Crawford  
Emma Murphy  
Abigail Markel  
Olivia Miller  
Claire VanSumeren

## Birthdays

Mary Ellen Lietzow	4th	2/09
Samuel Dub	1 <sup>st</sup>	2/11
Rylee Marshall	4 <sup>th</sup>	2/14
Mrs. Greminger	Staff	2/15
Miss Duso	Staff	2/19
Elizabeth Lietzow	K	2/27
Lillian Wilbanks	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2/27

## Principal's Corner

February 13, 2017

Dear Parents,

Greetings! I would like to thank you for the warm welcome that Rick Roberts and I have received. It has been nice getting to know you and your child(ren), and we have enjoyed experiencing first-hand all of the wonderful, faith-filled activities St. Brigid has to offer.

In the spirit of continuous school improvement, St. Brigid School has recently reestablished a School Committee. The School Committee is an advisory body to the School Administrator, and it functions within the goals and objectives of the Parish Pastoral Council.

In cooperation with Fr. Pat, several members of the St. Brigid Parish and School communities have been asked to serve as School Committee members. They are Christopher Malecki, Anthony Jenkins, Kristin Olbertson, Marty Beard, Michelle Monticello, Jerry Cain, and Deb Reardon. Fr. Pat will also be a member, and I will be serving as the School Administrator, until a new principal is selected.

An initial meeting was held last week to establish norms and sub-committees. The following sub-committees were created to assist St. Brigid School:

- Marketing & Advancement
- Enrollment & Tuition
- Strategic Planning
- Extra Curricular Activities
- Fundraising

As we move through this learning process, the objectives and goals of the sub-committees will be defined and honed. The only way these sub-committees will be effective is if we have members from the school community that can serve as consistent members and workers on the various sub-committees. Therefore, we are asking for your assistance. We are looking for members to serve on each of the sub-committees. If you are interested in assisting with a specific sub-committee, please contact Mrs. Shark.

If you should have any questions for me, please contact the school or email me at:

[mdeschaine@dioceseofsaginaw.org](mailto:mdeschaine@dioceseofsaginaw.org).

Yours in Christ,

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