



Wednesday, May 1, 2024

**End of the Year Field Trip:** attached is the permission form for our trip to the Mississippi River Museum in Dubuque, IA, on Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. We'll leave school about 7:30 so please have your child here by 7:15 at the latest. No breakfast will be served but Michelle will put together a small breakfast bag for the students who want one. Everyone should bring a cold lunch with a drink. PTO will provide snacks on the way there and on the way back. We should be back around 5:30 so please make plans to have your child picked up if necessary. Students may bring electronic devices but these must remain on the bus while we are at the museum. PTO will pay the fees for the children and any chaperones who wish to come along. Start your prayers for nice weather!

**Summer Skills Order Booklet:** Play is an important part of a child's life, especially in the summer. Outdoor adventures help with problem solving and set up a curiosity for our natural world which rolls over into the classroom. However, sometimes we all recognize that our children also need a more focused attention on the skills which they've learned in the classroom, especially those basic skills of Reading, Comprehension, and Math, which might be lost over the long summer months. Please consider ordering Summer Skills workbooks to help your child enter the next school year with those skills in place, making the transition to a new grade level easier. Check with your child's teacher to see which skills are recommended for your child's summer skills reinforcement. A copy of the order blank is attached.

**Crazy Day:** Our last Crazy Day, sponsored by the Student Council, will be next Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. Students may choose one "crazy" way to dress: crazy hair, socks, t-shirt, hat, neon clothes, black/white clothes, oldies styles, mustache, among many others! All these choices for only \$1! (Please, no pjs, inappropriate wear, or costumes)

**Dear Parents:** We had applied for the Bishop's Education Endowment Trust (BEET) grant earlier this year. The BEET grant is made possible through the support of the parish and its members. It's a pleasure to let you know that we have been awarded the grant which will help cover the cost of purchasing kid-friendly microscopes for each classroom. Thank you so much. May God bless you for your generosity.

**Arbor Day:** We planted both a Jonathan and McIntosh apple tree by the fence. With a few prayers for sunshine, rain, just-right winters, and no pests, we'll be harvesting apples for snacks in a few years!

**Save the Date, Volunteer Luncheon:** We would like to show our appreciation for all the volunteers we have within our parish and school. To show our tremendous gratitude for all they do for us, we are planning a Recognition Luncheon on Friday, May 10, at 11:30 PM. An invitation was sent last week for you to complete and return by Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. In addition, please feel free to share it with other parish, school, and/or community volunteers that help us throughout the year.

**Tuition & Registration Form REMINDER:** The Tuition & Registration form for the 2024-2025 school year was sent home earlier. The tuition has been adjusted for the coming school year. Please look it over and **if you haven't returned same to the office**, please do so, along with the \$150 registration fee for each student. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Fr. Sedlacek.



**PTO Update (Jessie Cina):**

PTO meeting: Tuesday, **May 1st at 5:30 PM**. Hard to believe but we'll be wrapping up the school year already.

Trivia Night: Thank you to those that made Trivia night a success! We're planning the next one in the fall.

**Project day:** A few parents discussed having 1 or 2 project days this summer to work on a few things at school or for events such as the carnival that need more than 1 or 2 people to accomplish. A list is being worked on and a date(s) will be decided at or next meeting. We discussed making it a grill out as well!

**Mississippi River Museum: May 22nd** - plan to leave school at **730 AM** and return at **5:30 PM**. Planning on 1 stop down and back for wiggles and bathroom break.

**Shopping or Rummaging:** Reminder as you're shopping or rummaging to look for new items on sale for the carnival jar game prizes - our goal is 350 prizes every year!

\* If you have your own rummage sale please consider donating left over items! New items for the **Carnival or Thrifty Pickens in West Salem** (St. Charles PTO gets % back from donations & purchases).

\* We also have the **Santa sale** in December for the kids to buy gifts for family and friends - donations are appreciated!

**John Cina Seven** - 10th Annual Pumpkin Ball Tournament is **June 28th-30th this year**, at Genoa Park. Fun weekend event for the whole family while raising money to help support other people in our communities. Check out the poster, website ([www.johncinaseven.com](http://www.johncinaseven.com)) or Facebook page for more information. Or feel free to reach out to Jessie Cina. Please share and spread the word! Thank you

**Questions: Text/Call Jessie Cina at 608-780-1146**

**POP Can Tabs Collection:** Our school is collecting can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House Charity. They can be placed in the jars in school and at the back of the church. Thank you.

**2024-2025 School Year:** Enrollment is open for St. Charles 4K-6<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2024-2025 school year. If you, OR if you know of families that may be interested, please have them call the office (608) 689-2642 for an application. You may also call or email Fr. Sedlacek (608-689-2646; [frdanielsedlacek@gmail.com](mailto:frdanielsedlacek@gmail.com)) OR Mrs. Hytry (608-689-2642; [phytry@stcharlesgenoa.org](mailto:phytry@stcharlesgenoa.org)). There are flyers in the office if you would like to give them to others that may be interested.

**Elementary Summer School Reminder:** De Soto Area Schools will provide an elementary summer school program for **Grades 4K-6<sup>th</sup> grade**. This was sent to the families (via email) and a copy was in the family folder. If you choose to participate, feel free to return to the school office **as soon as possible** and we will make certain they get to the appropriate destination as they are looking at numbers NOW!

**Summer Adventures 2024 Reminder:** This is the De Soto Area Schools program which is similar to the Summer on the River program. It is for **Grades 6-8** and was sent (via email) to the 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents. A printed copy was enclosed for the 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents. **If you need a copy, the school office!**

**PTO Scrip Program REMINDER:** Thank you to those who have already signed up for the scrip program. It's easy to earn money back while you are buying your groceries, gas, or shopping around at many retailers. (**Megan Olson 608-385-7815; [mjtrussoni@gmail.com](mailto:mjtrussoni@gmail.com)**)

**Taking Care of the Body God Gave Us:** Spring temperatures are still fluctuating and the wind can make a sunny day a little chilly. We'd like the students to still bring warmer jackets just in case they are needed. We're also asking that outside jackets or sweatshirts not be worn in the classroom but be reserved for outside recess only. A light sweater or long sleeve shirt might still be necessary in the classroom since these bricks seem to take longer to warm up in the Spring. **Reminder:** Shorts, when the weather warms up, must be 3 inches above the knee or below the fingertips when standing—whichever is longest. Any



sandals must have a back strap for safety. Gym shoes are still required for PE.

**RootinCrown Consignment Store:** There have been many changes with RootinCrown Consignment store. They are now called **Thrifty Pickins' & Buckies** and are located at 980 WI-Hwy 16 in West Salem. A flyer is enclosed. For more information go to: [info@thriftypickins.com](mailto:info@thriftypickins.com) and/or [thriftypickins.com](http://thriftypickins.com).

**De Soto Area Schools Message Alert:** If you would like a **message alert from De Soto** concerning school closings or early dismissal due to inclement weather please go to the De Soto Area Schools website. Click on "for parents" at the top of the page. The pull-down menu should show "alert sign up". Follow those directions.

**St. Charles Wellness Policy:** We are required to post the St. Charles Wellness policy on-line for parents – here is where you can find it: <http://www.mwt.net/~st.charl/School.html>.

**St Charles Facebook Page:** "Like" the St Charles Facebook Page for updates and events.

**Enclosures:**

May Server Schedule  
Highlights for May (4<sup>th</sup> -6<sup>th</sup>)  
Crazy Day Flier  
Summer Skills order booklets  
Graduation Invitation  
Field Trip Permission Form  
Menu & Activity Calendar

**Dates to Remember:**

May 3: Adoration at 2:30  
May 5: First Communion  
May 7: May crowning of Mary during our Children's Mass  
May 8: Crazy Everything Day for \$1.  
May 9: Guest Reader  
May 10: Volunteer Luncheon  
May 14: Spring Concert & Art Show at 7:00 pm  
May 15: 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Art Trip to Winona Art Museum  
May 17: 6<sup>th</sup> grade graduation videos due to Father Sedlacek, Reconciliation for 2nd-6<sup>th</sup> graders  
May 22: End of year field trip to the River Museum, Dubuque  
May 24: 6<sup>th</sup> grade graduation Mass at 10 AM, Last day of school, 2024!

**May and Summer Birthdays:**

May 18: Shelby De Garmo  
May 21: Jack Ganley  
June 29: Raegen Eckes  
June 29: Addelyn Buncak  
July 07: Hazel De Garmo  
Aug. 07:  
Easton Eckes



## May Server Schedule

05/02/24	Thursday	Celia, Keilana
05/03/24	Friday	Bayne, Ezio
05/03/24	Adoration	Abigail, Celia, Autumn
05/07/24	Tuesday	Easton, Ari, Lorenzo
05/09/24	Thursday	Shelby, William
05/10/24	Friday	Ari, Lorenzo
05/14/24	Tuesday	Bayne, Abigail, Keilana
05/16/24	Thursday	Abigail, William
05/17/24	Friday	Bayne, Easton
05/21/24	Tuesday	Celia, Ezio, Autumn
05/23/24	Thursday	Shelby, Keilana
05/24/24	Graduation Mass	Celia, William, Easton





## Highlights for May:

- And here it comes—a race to the finish!
- Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, is our graduation mass at 10:00 followed by lunch, 6<sup>th</sup> grade videos, games, the end!
- Meanwhile, education does continue.....
- **Math:** everyone is working on probability, followed by graphing.
- **English:** 6<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders will be contemplating the complexities of using the correct punctuation and abbreviations. 4<sup>th</sup> graders are finishing verbs before studying punctuation.
- **Reading:** 6<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders will be reading *The Watsons Go To Birmingham*, by Christopher Paul Curtis. 4<sup>th</sup> graders are finishing *Little House in the Big Woods*. In the time remaining they will focus on reading a biography from the "I AM..." series
- **Science:** 6<sup>th</sup> graders will finish with the skeletal/muscular system. 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders will finish a unit on electricity and magnetism. During a short unit on alternative energy they will create projects which use/create energy without using fossil fuels.



## Graduation Invitation

On Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, our students will be celebrating the academic accomplishments of all our 6th grade students with a graduation Mass. Following the 10:00 a.m. Mass, your family is invited to the cafeteria for a reception which includes 6th grade videos and a picnic lunch with the students and families at school. Outdoor games to follow along with early release.

Please RSVP with the number of family members that plan on attending, and return this to school as soon as possible.

Last Name of Family \_\_\_\_\_

Number of family members attending \_\_\_\_\_







Dear Parent/Guardian,

The education of our children is more important than ever before. You can give your child a summer of continued learning with our books. Studies show that much of what is learned during the school year is lost over the summer months. Since 1991 our Summer Skills Review Books have provided **millions** of students with a comprehensive review of materials taught the previous year without adding more screen time to their summer.

With educational demands continuously changing, children need not only a review that keeps current with State and Common Core Standards, but also gives them an academic edge and self-confidence when they return to school in the fall.

Our easy-to-use Math, Language Arts and Foreign Language review books serve this purpose. Taking only 15-30 minutes three to four times per week, over the summer, our books provide a succinct review that is not overwhelming. **Generally the grade level just completed is ordered;** however, you and your child's teacher can best determine what grade level would be most suitable. Our books are not sold in stores.

### **Math Skills Sharpener Books:**

- 15 review books for Pre-K through 7th grade, Basic Math Review, Prealgebra, Algebra I, Geometry, High School Math\* and Math for Life.\*\*
- Each lesson gives students practice in a mix of skills.
- Grade-appropriate auxiliary pages are included.
- Answer key, solutions for each problem (4th grade and up), and tutorial "Help Pages" are included.

\*Helps prepare for college entrance exams, state proficiency tests and college algebra; reviews both Geometry and Advanced Algebra.

\*\*A practical guide for everyday life, designed for the high school level and above.

### **Language Arts Review:**

- 10 books for Pre-K through 7th grade and High School Prep.\*
- Lessons review mixed skills including reading, writing, phonics, punctuation, grammar and more.
- Answer key and a grade-appropriate reading list are included.

\*Helps students prepare for high school as well as entrance exams and the PSAT.

### **Foreign Language Review:**

- Spanish I, Spanish II and French I review books (recommended for middle school and high school).
- Lessons help students prepare for their second or third year of foreign language.
- Answer key is included.

### **Touch the Future Computer Keyboarding:**

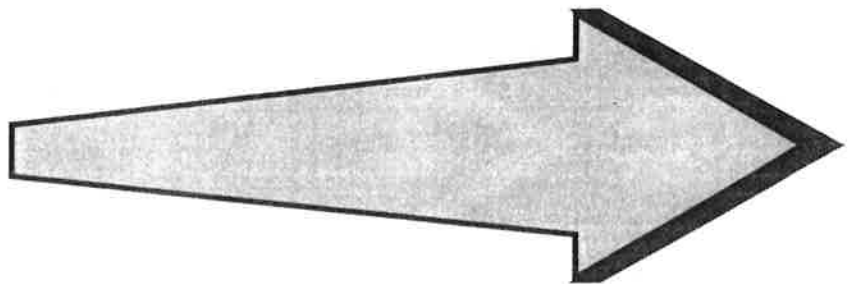
- Designed for grades 3 through 6.
- A paper keyboard is included for students without access to a computer.

### **Study Skills Sharpener:**

- For grade 7 through high school.
- Lessons help students study more efficiently.

For more information visit our website at [summerskills.com](http://summerskills.com).

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2024 parent order form.**



# 2024 Parent/Individual Order Form

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- **Phone** credit card orders to **800-411-8186** Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (EST)
- **Fax** credit card orders to **800-280-9269**
- **Mail** orders with check or credit card information to:  
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- **Online** orders are placed at [summerskills.com](http://summerskills.com) (a secure site)

Make checks payable to:  
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**Billing Address**

**Shipping Address (if different)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Name of child's school \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card# (M/C, Visa, AmEx or Discover) \_\_\_\_\_ Exp \_\_\_\_\_ CVV \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate the number of **review** books you are ordering:

**MATH**

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|----------------------------|---|---|
| ____ Pre-K                 | ____ 4 <sup>th</sup> grade                      | ____ Prealgebra                             |
| ____ Kindergarten          | ____ 5 <sup>th</sup> grade                      | ____ Algebra 1                              |
| ____ 1 <sup>st</sup> grade | ____ 6 <sup>th</sup> grade                      | ____ Geometry                               |
| ____ 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade | ____ 7 <sup>th</sup> grade                      | ____ High School<br>(Geometry & Algebra II) |
| ____ 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade | ____ Basic Math Review<br>for the Middle Grades | ____ Math for Life                          |

**LANGUAGE ARTS**

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|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| ____ Pre-K                 | ____ 4 <sup>th</sup> grade |
| ____ Kindergarten          | ____ 5 <sup>th</sup> grade |
| ____ 1 <sup>st</sup> grade | ____ 6 <sup>th</sup> grade |
| ____ 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade | ____ 7 <sup>th</sup> grade |
| ____ 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade | ____ HS Prep               |

**STUDY SKILLS SHARPENER**

(For students 7<sup>th</sup> Grade through High School.)

**SPANISH I REVIEW**

(For students who have completed one full year of Spanish at the middle or high school level.)

**SPANISH II REVIEW**

(For students who have completed two full years of Spanish at the middle or high school level.)

**FRENCH I REVIEW**

(For students who have completed one full year of French at the middle or high school level.)

**TOUCH THE FUTURE**

(Keyboarding for 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade.)

Make checks payable to:  
**Summer Skills**

**Total number of books** \_\_\_\_\_ x **\$19** = \_\_\_\_\_

**Shipping cost** (see chart below) + \_\_\_\_\_

**Total cost due to Summer Skills** = \_\_\_\_\_

Due to shipping uncertainty with USPS, Summer Skills cannot guarantee the Standard Mail 2 week delivery. We recommend you choose UPS, FedEx or USPS Priority Mail if you need your books sooner.

**Shipping Chart**

To expedite via UPS Air or to ship outside the U.S. call 800-411-8186

Standard Shipping	USPS Standard Mail 2 weeks - no guarantee	Fed Ex **2-3 business days	USPS Priority **3-4 business days	USPS Express Priority **1-2 business days	UPS Ground **2-5 business days
<b>Order Amount</b>					<b>* call for HI, AK &amp; PR</b>
1 Book	\$4.00	\$11.00	\$9.20	\$28.00	\$15.50
2-3 Books	\$5.00	\$13.00	\$15.00	\$46.00	\$19.00
4-6 Books	\$6.00	\$16.00	\$15.00	\$55.00	\$26.00
7-10 Books	\$8.00	\$16.00	\$19.00	\$75.00	\$27.00
11 or more books	not available	please call	please call	please call	please call

\* Orders to HI, AK and Puerto Rico ship USPS Priority Mail. Call for other mailing options.

\*\* Orders ship within 24 hours. We do not ship on weekends or holidays.

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SUPPLEMENTAL CHILD CONSENT AND RELEASE FORM  
PARENTAL/GUARDIAN CONSENT FORM AND LIABILITY WAIVER

Participant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, grant permission for my child, \_\_\_\_\_, to  
Parent or Guardian's name Child's name  
participate in this parish/youth ministry/school event that requires transportation to a location away  
from the parish/school site. This activity will take place under the guidance and direction of parish  
employees and/or volunteers from \_\_\_\_\_.  
Name of Parish/School

A brief description of the-activity follows:

Date of Event: May 22nd Cost of Event: Ø Thank you, PTO!  
Type of event: End of year field trip  
Destination of event: Mississippi River Museum, Dubuque  
Individual in charge: Jessie Cina / Patti Hytry  
Estimated time of departure and return: 7:30 - 5:30  
Mode of transportation to and from event: Bus  
Meal arrangements: bring a sack lunch

I acknowledge that I have previously completed the Comprehensive Child Consent and Release form,  
providing medical information, permissions, authorizations and releases pertaining to my child. I have  
listed below any additions and/or corrections to the information provided on that form:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Subject to any changes above, I hereby reaffirm any and all such disclosures, permissions,  
authorizations and releases as though stated herein.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I will chaperone \_\_\_\_\_  
phone number \_\_\_\_\_

**DIOCESAN NOTICE  
WISCONSIN'S RECREATIONAL IMMUNITY LAW**

Participants (not property owner) in Diocesan-sponsored recreational activities should be aware of Wisconsin's Recreational Immunity law which limits claims and recovery for death or injury while engaging in recreational activities and which imposes legal duties on participants. These legal duties include, but are not limited to:

1. Acting within the limits of his or her ability;
  2. Heeding all warnings regarding participation in the recreational activity;
  3. Maintaining control of his or her person and equipment devices or animals the person is using while participating in the recreational activity; and
  4. Refraining from acting in any manner that may cause or contribute to the death or injury to himself, herself or to other persons while participating in the recreational activity.
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