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CATHEDRAL SCHOOL SUPERIOR, WI
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Cathedral School

Extraordinary Education - Small School Environment
Endless Possibilities

CATHEDRAL CENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

Dear Friends,

I hope this newsletter finds you well and filled with the spirit of joy and learning that defines our wonderful school. As we approach the Thanksgiving season, we have much to be grateful for, and we are excited to share some of the latest updates and highlights from our beloved Cathedral School.

Upcoming Events

1. *UW-Superior Concerts*: The Cathedral is proud to be the hosts of the UW-Superior Season of Song on December 3 at 4:00 pm and December 5 at 7:00 pm. This cherished Twin Ports tradition will feature the UWS choirs and orchestra performing holiday classics, new favorites, and everything in between.
2. *Sanctus Music Series*: Advent Lessons and Carols: "O Antiphons" featuring Rachael Kresha, pipe organ, with chamber choir.
3. *Christmas Concerts*: Get ready to be enchanted by our students' performances at the Christmas Concerts on December 14th & 15th. It's a heartwarming event you won't want to miss.

- **December 14th- Middle School Concert @ 5:30 in the church**
- **December 15th- Preschool Concert @ 10:00 in Gym**
- **December 15th- Elementary Concert @ 1:00 in Gym**

While you are on the campus, I hope you notice the investment to the improved safety and access the Cathedral Parish has made. This work is crucial for our kids. Every day Cathedral School students pass through the tunnel into the Cathedral for things like weekly Mass, daily lunch, prayer activities, retreats, and sacraments. Parents and grandparents attend these events, and our improvements to the safety and access of the Cathedral have a direct benefit for our School.

The Cathedral parish is firmly committed to the campaign; to date we have raised \$1.7 of our \$2.1 million goal. **I ask that you prayerfully consider helping us so that we can take of the Cathedral so she can continue to take care of our kids.**

To find out more about the campaign, please go to

www.superiorcatholics.org/cathedral-centennial-campaign/

Please know that great or small all gifts are deeply appreciated and will be well used.

Peace,

Fr. Andrew Ricci

ANNABRING GYMNASIUM UPDATE

As we finish the classroom updates, we look towards giving the Annabring Gymnasium a needed update. Our plan is:

- Replace the old caged lights with energy-efficient LED lighting
 - Give the gymnasium a fresh coat of paint
- Add artwork to commemorate the decades and the vibrant history of Cathedral School

We are scheduling the work in pieces that can be done during school breaks so that students can still use the gymnasium this winter. Our next steps will be to continue to enhance this beloved space, including plans for refreshing the gymnasium floor, installing new doors, and updating the tile wall along the north side.

FAITH AND SERVICE



At Cathedral School, we believe in nurturing compassionate, socially responsible individuals. Our Second-graders spread joy as they fill wagons with collected food for the local food shelf. We are thankful for the opportunity to serve others from a young age.



OTHER WAYS TO AID STUDENTS

Please prayerfully consider leaving a legacy gift to one of our special restricted funds:

Cathedral School Endowment Fund

This is an Endowment Fund. The purpose of the Cathedral School Endowment Fund is restricted to the long term financial support of the Cathedral School's operational needs. Monies from this Fund may be withdrawn through the Cathedral School's annual process or as determined by the Rector with the advice and input from the Principal and the Finance Council.

Cathedral School: Tuition Assistance Fund

The purpose of this Tuition Assistance Fund is to offer financial relief to families who desire to send their children to Cathedral School and require assistance with the cost of tuition. This Fund is specifically restricted to tuition assistance, and is expended at the discretion of the Principal of Cathedral School with the prior consent of the Rector.

Cathedral School: Technology Fund

The purpose of the Technology Fund is restricted to support the technology resources utilized at Cathedral School. This includes technology infrastructure and updating resources such as computers, laptops, tablets, smart boards, and interactive digital technology. Monies from this Fund are authorized by the Principal and can be expended through the annual budget process or by the Rector.

Let us know when you make a bequest to Cathedral School as part of your estate plan, and it will be our honor to add your name to the Perpetual Light Society. You will be remembered in a special Mass each year, invited to special events, and recognized in our yearly State of the Cathedral report and on our Perpetual Light Society donor wall.

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MEMORABLE MOMENTS



One of the most anticipated events of the school year is our annual trip to the Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center. It's a remarkable opportunity for our students to connect with nature, explore the outdoors, and grow in ways that extend beyond the classroom.

CONSIDER INCLUDING CATHEDRAL SCHOOL IN YOUR ESTATE PLANS

A gift to Cathedral School can have a lasting impact on the future of Catholic Education in Superior.

You can give through:

- A portion of your estate
- Your retirement plan
- Designating Cathedral School as your Insurance Beneficiary

A bequest to Cathedral School through your will or trust is a powerful expression of your commitment to your Catholic Faith. A planned gift is often the largest gift you will make in your lifetime and is a lasting reminder of what you feel most strongly about.

We can make suggestions on ways to make a gift to Cathedral School, but we urge you to see your attorney, accountant, a trust officer, financial planner, or others who are qualified to help in the area of estate planning and tax consequences.

WAYS THAT YOU CAN HELP YOUR SCHOOL

- Pray for us!
- Contribute to the Annual Appeal each November
- Dedicate a gift in memory of a loved one
- Include Cathedral School in your estate plans
- Adopt the Annabring Gymnasium
- Follow us on Facebook and Instagram at [SuperiorCathedralSchool](#)



In October, our third graders at Cathedral School have been crafting rosaries, embracing the Month of the Rosary. This hands-on project deepens their faith and Catholic identity.

FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Academic Excellence We are proud to announce that our MAPS testing this fall showed that our students are at average in Math, and above average in Reading, Language, and Science.

Faith and Service At Cathedral School, we believe in nurturing compassionate, socially responsible individuals. Our students have been actively involved in various community service projects, spreading love and kindness throughout the local area. We are thankful for the opportunity to serve others.

Fundraising Efforts Our fundraising initiatives continue to support the growth and improvement of our school. Our 25th Wish Upon a Star Dinner Auction Fundraiser was a fun evening of games, fun, and good natured bidding. It's a wonderful way to bring our school community together. We express our gratitude to all parents, volunteers, and supporters who have contributed to these efforts. Your generosity is a testament to the strength of our community.

Catholic Identity Our commitment to Catholic identity remains strong, and we encourage all families to participate in Masses and faith formation activities.

Father Andrew leads us in our spiritual journey, ensuring that faith is at the core of our educational experience. As you can see in the photo below, Father enjoys being in the school and praying with the students.

School Safety The safety and well-being of our students are paramount. We continue to implement measures to ensure a secure and healthy learning environment and we work closely with the Superior Police Department and the Douglas County Sheriffs Office. We thank parents for their cooperation in adhering to safety guidelines.

Enrollment for 2023 We are excited to announce that we have seen an enrollment increase for the third consecutive year. Enrollment for the 2024 school year will open on February 1st. Prospective families are invited to tour our school and experience the unique educational atmosphere Cathedral School offers. Please share the news with friends and neighbors who may be interested. We are grateful for the unwavering support and dedication of our St. Mary's School community. Together, we can continue to provide an **Extraordinary Education in a Small School Environment**, giving students **Endless Possibilities!**

-Mrs. Jaime Samarzia

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