



ABERDEEN CATHOLIC
SCHOOL SYSTEM

NEWSLETTER

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Featured Article

Paula Florey- 7-12 Principal

Happy 2023 to everyone. As I sit to write this, I am struggling with what resolutions I want to make. So, I have taken myself to the internet to search for not the usual resolutions, but possibly ones that will make me a better wife, parent, grandparent, educator, and leader. My search brought me to St. Mother Teresa,

"Do something beautiful for God. Do it with your life. Do it every day. Do it in your own way. But do it!"

What simple words that Mother Teresa speaks, but if everyone would make them their New Year's Resolution what amazing changes could possibly be made.

I challenge all of us to do something beautiful for God in our own way and not just one day but throughout the year. For some that may be supporting Roncalli or your parish, for others it may be praying for those who are struggling, while still others may show acts of kindness to strangers. The options are truly endless.

We are so fortunate to have great support from so many over the years, especially our parishes, parents, and community members.

BUSINESS OFFICE REMINDER

23-24 Financial Aid

The application window opens
January 20th.

Changes are in the works so
please check out more details
and updates on **page 7**

Thank you for "Doing something beautiful for God" in your own way. I pray that you continue that support and for those of you who want to make a change I encourage you to join me in attempting to follow Mother Theresa.

I will leave you with a Prayer for New Beginnings, by Pope John XXIII

"Consult not your fears, but your hopes and your dreams. Think not about your frustrations, but about your unfulfilled potential. Concern not yourself with what you tried and failed in, but what it is still possible to do."

Now is the time to put aside past and present setbacks and failures and look with confidence to the new day called tomorrow.

God Bless all of you and have a terrific 2023.

- Instilling Catholic values and promoting academic -
excellence by nurturing mind, body and soul.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our North Area Honor Band musicians – Hannah Chamberlain & Leah Carda (1st chair honors) and Benjamin Goebel, Zach Daggett, and Caiden Siebert.



AFTERNOON OF FINE ARTS

Saturday, January 21, 1:30pm

Art Show/Auction

Oral Interp Performances

RHS One Act Play "Anatomy of Gray"

The Art Department will have many beautiful works of art up for auction in the foyer, available for bidding before the on stage talent begins. Art

Auction Fundraiser supports students participating in local and state art competitions and events. Last year students brought home 2nd place at the State A Art Contest!

Artwork will be donated by past and present student artists. The fundraiser is Silent Auction style with pickup and payment occurring at the close of the One Act performance.

Community and Alumni are invited to donate a work of art to the fundraiser. Contact Mrs. Amy Heinz amy.heinz@aberdeenroncalli.org

Oral Interp students will perform and then the RHS drama department takes the stage with their production of "Anatomy of Gray", by Jim Leonard Jr.

Described by the author as a "children's story for adults", we are first introduced to June Muldoon, who just lost her father, as she prays for a healer to come to the small town of Gray so no one will ever suffer again; the next thing she knows, there's a tornado, and a man in a balloon blows into town claiming to be a doctor. At first, the new doctor cures anything and everything, but soon the town's preacher takes ill with a mysterious plague. And then the plague begins to spread. Set in Indiana during the late 1800s, the play explores the themes of death, loss, love and healing.



Catholic Schools Week 2023 January 29–February 4

www.NCEA.org/csw
#CSW23

Many great events will mark Roncalli's observance of CSW 2023! A flyer will go home with students and more news will be shared as we approach the week. One of the highlights of the week is the All School Mass with Bishop Donald DeGrood. Please join us for that Mass on Wednesday, February 1.

Another community wide event that week is the **"You're Amazing" Experience**. Check out details and purchase your tickets using this link.
<http://amazingabderdeen.eventbrite.com/>

The event It will feature music, comedy, and Justin Fatica's encouraging message about the love of Jesus. Tickets are \$15

YOU'RE AMAZING EXPERIENCE

COMEDIAN STEVE SIMEONE

COMEDY CENTRAL

JUSTIN FATICA

BREAKTHROUGH

ABERDEEN, SD
MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2023
DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM

This is the breakthrough moment you've been waiting for—a night of live music, comedy, and an inspirational message for people of all ages. You've never seen the faith like this before!

\$15

LIVE WORSHIP

EWTVN HBO

LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE:
AMAZINGABERDEEN.EVENTBRITE.COM



The Catholic United Financial Raffle is coming soon! Be watching in January for the raffle to begin - and as always, all money raised stays right at Roncalli!



NOW HIRING!!

Are you looking for a part time job that is rewarding and fun? The Roncalli SonShine Patch is looking for OST employees who are passionate about working with children. The OST program is filled with STREAM, gym & outside time, arts & crafts, and SO MUCH MORE! With flexible scheduling, fun-loving coworkers, and an inviting environment; Roncalli SonShine Patch is the place for YOU!

If you are interested or have any questions:

Contact Shelby Braun at

(605) 225-3460 or at shelby.braun@aberddeenroncalli.org

RHS SEMI FORMAL DANCE

Saturday, January 7, 8-11pm

The Annual High School Semi Formal Dance will be held January 7th from 8-11 PM in the high school cafeteria.

Tickets will be available in the library beginning Monday January 2 through the end of the school day on Friday January 6.

The cost of the tickets is \$10 per person. No tickets will be available at the door. Dates from other schools are welcome, but a permission slip must be filled out by Wednesday January 4 and are available from Mrs. Artz.

ACSS 22-23 Help Take A Child to School Days

September 23 January 13

October 21 February 17

November 18 March 24

December 16 April 21, 2022

May 12, 2023

On these no uniform days, every student wishing to participate is asked to bring \$1 and is not required to wear a uniform for the day. Money goes into the Help Take a Child to School fund, which provides tuition assistance. Small contributions build into something big!



PARISH NEWS

Sacred Heart

Family Formation Parish Night

Wed, Jan. 11th. 5:30-7:30pm. Dinner, Family Activity, split sessions for parents and kids

Youth Group - Large Group Night

Wed, Jan. 11th. 6:30-7:30pm in the RES gym

First Communion Parent Info Meeting

Sunday, January 15th at 11:30am in the Church

Last Collar Standing Watch Party

Sunday, January 15th - 4pm at the NSU Newman Center

Junior/Senior Night with the Newman Center Students

Tuesday, January 17th - 7-9pm at the NSU Newman Center

Confirmation Class

Sun, January 22nd from 4-6m in the parish hall

Faith and Politics - 2023 Legislative Session Brief

Tuesday, January 24th at 7pm

Lead by Michael Pauley,
Director of the SD Catholic Conference

Saint Mary's

Confirmation Class

Wednesday, January 11 at 7pm

Last Collar Standing Watch Party

Sunday, January 15th, 4pm at the NSU Newman Center

First Communion Parent Meeting *note date change*

Wednesday, January 18, 5:30pm

First Reconciliation for all 2nd Graders

Saturday, January 21, 9-11am

Youth Group Ice Skating at Odde Ice Arena

Sunday, January 22, 6:30pm

Confirmation Class

Wednesday, January 25, 7:00pm

Wednesday, February 1, 7:00pm

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Now is the time to get your child's registration in.

If you submit all the needed forms by Feb. 13 the \$50 New Student Fee will be waived.

This is also a perfect time to invite others to consider Roncalli for their child(ren)

Call 605-226-2100 for more information.



Saturday, April 15, 2023
AT THE DAKOTA EVENT CENTER

44TH ANNUAL
**RONCALLI
BALL**
A GRATITUDE GALA

Cocktails 5:00 pm • Dinner 6:45 pm • Program 7:00 pm • Dancing 9:00 pm

Tickets are \$85 and can be purchased in the
ACSS Development Office or by calling 226-2100.

RONCALLI BALL SILENT AND LIVE AUCTION DONATIONS

We invite you to consider keeping the Ball in mind as you do your shopping before and after Christmas. Many of those who donate to the auctions that take place during the Ball take advantage of the great prices offered during this season.

If you are one who finds that perfect item to donate you can drop it off at the ACSS Central Office located in the high school.

We are blessed each year to receive donations from alumni and friends from near and far.

THANK YOU!!!

RONCALLI TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The goal of the ACSS is to make a Catholic education available to any family who chooses it. Because of the tremendous financial support of St. Mary's and Sacred Heart parishes our tuition is one of the lowest in the region.

Annually, Roncalli offers \$100,000 in tuition assistance for K-12 in the form of scholarships and work-study grants to make a Roncalli education even more possible. We invite you to take advantage of this opportunity.

All of the information and forms below can be found on our website:
<https://www.aberdeenroncalli.org/admissions/financial-aid-scholarships>

All applicants must complete the following to be considered for tuition assistance. The deadline for applications for the 2023-2024 school year is March 17, 2023

- Complete Online FACTS financial aid Application
- Complete K-12 General Scholarship/Financial Aid Application
- **NEW!** Complete the South Dakota Partners in Education Scholarship application. Anticipated opening date around March 15, 2023

*All applicants, who are income qualified and have never been awarded funds from the SD Partners in Education Scholarship, **MUST** apply for it in order to receive any additional financial aid. The application is completed in TADS. **ACSS will pay the application fee.** Forms needed for completion: Tax forms 1040 (all schedules), W2, and 1099. You can determine if your income qualified by visiting the website <https://sdpartnersinedu.org/>*

Please review additional scholarship opportunities on the website to determine if others are appropriate for you.

Contact Niki Zikmund, 226-2100,
niki.zikmund@aberdeenroncalli.org with questions.

Only those applications that have been completed in their entirety and signed, will be considered for financial aid.