

FAMILY BULLETIN

Calendar

March 20: SBS Family Mass & Picnic, 11:00 AM, Church and Cafeteria

March 21: Boys Cabbage Ball HOME vs. St. Angela, 4:00 PM

March 21: Girls Cabbage Ball vs. St. Rita @ OLDP, 5:15 PM

March 21: Men's Club Meeting, 7:30 PM, Cafeteria.

Topic: LSU Football

March 22: Girls Cabbage Ball HOME vs. OLDP, 4:00 PM

March 22: Boys Cabbage Ball vs. St. Rita @ St. Louis King of France, 4:00 PM

March 23: School Mass and Third Grading Period Awards Ceremony

March 24: NO AFTER CARE - Holy Thursday

March 25-April 1: Easter Break, Holiday Care Offered

April 4: School Resumes

April 4: Boys Cabbage Ball HOME vs. St. Christopher

April 5 - 8: Girls Cabbage Ball EJCSAL Tournament, St. Benilde School Cabbage Ball Courts



Learn, Laugh, & Play

In just a few more months, school will be out and it will be time for another summer to learn, laugh, and play during our annual Summer at Benilde. Registration forms and more information will go out on Monday, March 21! Everything you love from prior years - like the weekly field trips, pool time, and specialty camps - is returning. And this year, we have some new offerings, especially for families looking for more learning experiences for your children:

- ❖RAD ReADers: Mrs. Connick's new summer literacy mini-camps for children who are learning to read, building comprehension, and for readers who are advanced.
- ❖Tutoring Programs both Face-to-Face and Online.
- ❖Summer School (On Campus and Online) for children who need credit recovery or remediation.
- ❖Lunch is now included in the cost of tuition!





Men's Club Golf Open

All golfers! Please put on your calendar the 23rd annual Men's Club Golf Open to benefit St. Benilde School & the Monsignor J. Carter Richaud Endowment Fund. The tournament is **Sunday, April 17th (New Date!)** at the Riverlands Golf Course in LaPlace with a 12:00 PM shotgun start. The tournament is a 4 man scramble with an entry fee of \$75/player. Entry fee includes greens fee, golf cart, range balls, ditty bag, beer, soft drinks, and food. There are prizes for flight winners, closest to the hole, longest drive, money hole, and plenty of door prizes. Space is limited. Copies of the sign up sheet can be printed from the school's website. Hole sponsorships are also available.

All of our summer learning programs are designed in light of our distinctive personalized approach to student learning.

Summer at Benilde runs from June 6 - August 5. We can't wait to have you join us!

The Easter Basket Raffle

The Student Council will be selling chances for 25 cents each or 5 for a dollar as part of our annual Easter Basket Raffle. We will collect money on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week and will raffle off the basket Thursday afternoon. Student Council members are donating the items in the basket and all the money raised will be sent to the Archbishop for Associated Catholic Charities relief services and the work they are doing because of the flooding on the North Shore.

The WLAE Tuition Auction

Have you ever thought about lowering your tuition cost for next year while ALSO benefitting a great organization? WLAE TV is one of only two PBS stations remaining in the country that is allowed to continue producing Catholic programming in addition to regular PBS programs. Each year, St. Benilde School participates in the Tuition Auction, which is the major fundraiser for WLAE. Here is how it works: St. Benilde School donates one tuition to WLAE each year. In exchange, WLAE produces a video that airs during the Tuition Auction broadcast on March 20. Families who attend each school can then bid on the tuition. Here's the math: **St. Benilde Tuition: \$5,557. Winning Tuition Auction Bid: \$3,000. Savings to Family: \$2,557. Donation to Preserve Catholic Television: \$3,000.**

The Auction starts this Sunday March 13 at 6:00 PM. Go to WLAE.com to make your first bids. Then watch the broadcast next week on Sunday March 20. St. Benilde's video should air at approximately 6:10 PM!

Come Celebrate Benilde

The third annual "Luck of the Irish Spring Gala" will take place on **Saturday April 9** from 7:30 - 10:30 at the Landmark Hotel in Metairie! At the Gala, you will enjoy an open bar (including house and call brands of liquor), finger foods, buffet dinner, dancing to the tunes of DJ Ice, and the silent auction. We also

will award the annual Benilde Medals for Alumni Achievement and Service to Parish and School. It is the party of the year for St. Benilde School!

We have several new additions to this year's Gala we hope you will enjoy!

- ◆ **The Sunset on Pontchartrain Patron Party** will run from 6:30 - 7:30 the night of the gala up in the Benson Tower overlooking Lake Pontchartrain. In addition to hors d'oeuvres and an open bar, patrons will be treated to a performance by the St. Benilde School Choir and stunning views of the sun setting on Lake Pontchartrain. Patrons who purchase tickets as Gold Sponsors and above receive admission into the Patron Party.
- ◆ **Interactive Silent Auction!** St. Benilde School is partnering with 501 Auctions to take the silent auction to another level. All silent auction items will now be able to be viewed online through our new gala website (501auctions.com/sbsgala) prior to the gala (some items can already be previewed now). The auction itself will open one week prior to the gala, so if you see something you just gotta have, you can place your bid early. You can then direct the system to automatically make new bids up to a specific amount if someone outbids you, or the system can alert you with a text message when you are outbid. This way, you can spend more time dancing and less time checking and rechecking your bids. We will even have leaderboards displayed in the gala hall so you can check out who is winning for each auction item. Finally, the system will automatically charge your credit or debit card at the end of the night, so you don't need to wait in a long checkout line! And if you cannot make it to the gala, you can still bid on items from wherever you are!
- ◆ **Three Ways to Purchase Tickets:**
 1. The Old Fashioned Way: Ticket order forms go home Monday. Pick your sponsorship with the number of tickets you want, and send in a check to school. You will still need to register your phone or device on the night of the gala to make silent auction bids.
 2. Through the School's Website: <https://stbenilde.com/sites.ecatholic.com/irish-spring> has everything you need to sign up today, but you will still need to register your phone or device on the night of the gala to make silent auction bids.
 3. Through 501auctions.com/sbsgala: You can purchase your sponsorships and tickets here... the added bonus? Your device will already be registered, allowing you to preview auction items and begin bidding early!

SBS Family Mass & Picnic

Plan to join us on Sunday March 20 for the SBS Family Mass & Picnic. Palm Sunday Mass led by student readers and our choir begins at 11:00 AM. After Mass, we will head over to the cabbage ball courts for the picnic. Home and School will provide the fun for the kids which includes a foam pit, velcro wall, a bounce house, and plenty of games and prizes. We will also have music provided by DJ Ice and the food will be provided by the Men's Club. Hope everyone will come out for a fun and beautiful day.

Father/Son Night

Please Join us for the Father/ Son Night out that will be scheduled for Friday April 22nd 7pm- 10pm. This will be a very fun event for everyone. The cost is 10.00 per family. This includes food, snacks, drinks and plenty of laughs. This event is a fun competition for the father/Sson team to battle against others. All families will need to choose a song, practice and bring any props with you to the event. Music will be provided by Jeff Scott Aka DJ Ice. If you have questions, please contact stbenildehomeandschool@gmail.com or text 504-261-1529

Home & School Meeting Rescheduled

Due to a series of conflicts, the Home & School Meeting has been rescheduled to Tuesday April 19th starting at 7:00 PM in the cafeteria.