



# BISHOP BARAGA BEACON

Ms. Angela Oller, Principal

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## Principal's Pen

Dear Bishop Baraga Families,

Thank you to all those who helped organize and pass out our Mama Russo food items. We had 30 boxes of food delivered on Friday. Thank you also to all those who purchased food! This fundraiser goes to support our general fund through which we pay our teachers, buy classroom supplies and curriculum materials, and pay our utility bills. We made \$1,629. Many students won prizes or dress down days for selling over ten items. They are listed on a hand out in the Monday Mailer. Congratulations! The dress down day will be March 26th!

Enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year is now open. Enrollment will be done online this year through FACTS. You can click on the following link to enroll:

<https://online.factsmtg.com/signin/3Z8NC>

You will need to create a new account and follow the prompts to enroll. You will add your children, choose your payment method and plan, and pay a \$50.00 enrollment fee. This fee is the cost to use FACTS per family for the year. It will not be necessary to fill out any paperwork on enrollment night. Once you go through the online process you are already enrolled for the next year. Your tuition contract, which includes any tuition aid, scrip fee/award, and your total tuition amount, will be finalized by June 15, 2019.

We have been using Smart Tuition for the past few years, but every school in the Marquette Diocese is required to switch to FACTS this year. One nice feature of FACTS is that it has single sign on capabilities with SchoolSpeak. Once you create your account in FACTS, you will be able to link your SchoolSpeak and FACTS accounts. To do this, login to SchoolSpeak and click on FACTS in the school group. You will need to login to FACTS the first time you do this to link the two accounts. After that you will not need to put your username and password in again. I went through this process myself this weekend, and it took under 15 minutes to complete enrollment and link the accounts. Please give me a call if you have any questions.

We recently received \$1,789 in Title IV funds through Iron Mountain Public Schools. We were able to purchase some microscopes for the middle school. These microscopes have a camera that connects to a computer so more students can see. We also purchased an online science resource called StemScopes, some supplies for a robotics program, and a wide assortment of non-fiction books for the classrooms. We will have a more in-depth discussion on these funds at our next Advisory Council meeting on March 19th.

We've made a few changes to the calendar this month, so we are sending another copy home in this mailer. Please note that the Bishop is scheduled to visit our school on March 27th. We hope that he will be saying Mass with us that day. We will update you when we have more details. Have a wonderful week!  
Angela Oller

## Dates to Remember

Stations of the Cross: Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am, SMSJ

Rise UP: Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 3:30pm,  
St. Mary Queen of Peace

Advisory Council Meeting: Tuesday,  
March 19<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm, AV Room

Deceased Alumni Mass: Friday,  
March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8:00am, SMSJ

Report Cards 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter: Monday,  
March 25<sup>th</sup>

Open Enrollment: Tuesday, March  
26<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm

Bishop John School Visit: Wednesday,  
March 27<sup>th</sup>

Catholic Parenting Dinner &  
Presentation: Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>,  
5:30pm, St Mary Queen of Peace

Begin Spring Break: Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>  
at noon

## Prayer Intentions

Fr. Paul Nomellini

For all BBCS families: for a fruitful  
Lent

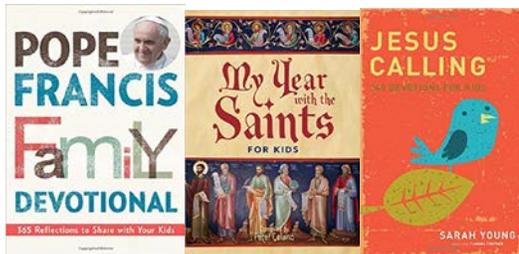
Beulah Spigarelli (Natalia & Avea  
Brown's great grandmother)

Ray Karboske (Natalia & Avea  
Brown grandfather)

## Lenten Ideas for Families by Ms. Oller

**Lenten Chain:** Here's an activity that not only encourages your children to grow in holiness but also serves as a colorful decoration to fill your home during Lent! Take several different colors of construction paper, cut them into equally sized strips, and then distribute one strip to each of your children each week (or each day) during Lent (parents can join, too). Every member of the family writes down (or dictates, depending on age and ability) a special prayer, sacrifice, or work of mercy they plan to do that week or day. Once this is complete, loop and secure the first piece of paper. Then create a chain by repeating this step. Watch your chain grow as Lent progresses.

**Daily Devotional:** Have a family prayer time each night or morning. Below are some family devotionals for young children. My sister, Anna, uses *Jesus Calling* with her family, and they love it!



## Jolly Wolly Fundraiser

The Jolly Wolly fundraiser has begun! It will run from today until Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. This fundraiser is sponsored by the Parent Association. All proceeds will go to the PA to be used for student activities. As with previous fundraisers, there will be a reward of a **dress down day** for the top selling families selling 10 or more items.

## Friends of BCS Drawing

Congratulations to our winners in the Friends of BCS Raffle for March 11, 2019.

1st Place - \$2000: Team First 2 Last, Iron Mountain

2nd Place - \$1000: Trisha Peterson, Niagara

3rd Place - \$500: Team Alphonsus, Kingsford

Our next drawing will be held on Monday, April 8, 2019. Thank you for supporting Bishop Baraga Catholic School.

## Classroom Corner: Kindergarten – Mrs. Emily Flunker

One of my favorite things about teaching Kindergarten is teaching my kids how much Jesus loves them!

This Lenten season we, as a class, decided to make some goals for ourselves to help us focus on the sacrifice that Jesus made for us. The ideas were all the kids' ideas! As a class we are going to take 5 minutes of each week at the beginning of a center time and focus on praying extra for someone we know who is in need. Also, the kids have decided to give up one recess and snack time throughout the 40 days and do a charitable act for others.

I am so proud of my class! They have such great little hearts!

Caught Being A  
Christian  
3.15.19 Mass

Michael Covitz  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

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\*\*\*Allergy Alert\*\*\*  
No peaches or peach  
products  
allowed in school  
Thank you!