



# Saint Wendel Catholic School Newsletter

February 22, 2021



Good morning families, we hope everyone had a wonderful weekend. Our K-8 enrollment applications will go out this week if we are in school. Again, if you know anyone who might be interested in enrolling or coming to look at Saint Wendel for the upcoming school year please contact Mrs. Hallie Scheu.

**Reminder if students forget their water bottle it will be available for purchase in the cafeteria. Please contact the office if you have any questions.**

If your student has any of the Covid-19 symptoms please keep them home and communicate with the main office. **If anyone in your household is getting tested or awaiting test results please keep your student home.** We will be taking the temperature of ALL our students before entering the building. All students will need to come to school with a mask. Masks are to provide increased safety for our students and staff members.

K-8 applications for next school year 2021-2022 will be going home this week. Please let the office know if you have any questions.

## Friday is Spirit Dress Day!!!

Parents, last week the state released the income guidelines for the School Choice Program. The School Choice Program is a tuition assistance program offered by the state for our students enrolled in our Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The School Choice Program can offer anywhere from \$500.00 off tuition to totally covering all tuition and fees. This program even continues into high school. **We encourage ALL families to look at their 2020 tax return to see if you qualify.** Listed below is the guidelines chart. If you think you might qualify please or have any questions please contact Mrs. Scheu. If your family does not qualify for these income based options and are still interested in learning about additional tuition assistance options please contact Mrs. Scheu for information on our parish scholarships.

<u>Household Number</u>	<u>Adjusted Gross Income</u>
1	\$47,656
2	\$64,454
3	\$81,252
4	\$98,050
5	\$114,848
6	\$131,646
7	\$148,444
8	\$165,242



Parents, Lent began on Wednesday, February 17. We will be holding our Ash Wednesday Mass at 7:30am and 1pm for our students this Wednesday. Lent is a very important time in the church. We challenge each of our families to step outside of their comfort zone and try something new as a family. Lent is not always about giving something up, sometimes it is better to try to do something. If your family doesn't have a routine of attending weekend Masses this would be a wonderful opportunity to start.

Online Resource through Dynamic Catholic-  
<https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-lent-ever/#sign-up-form>

*Loving God, there is so much darkness in my life and I hide from you. Take my hand and lead me out of the shadows of my fear. Help me to change my heart. Bring me to your truth and help me to respond to your generous love. Let me recognize the fullness of your love which will fill my life. Free me from the darkness in my heart. Amen.*

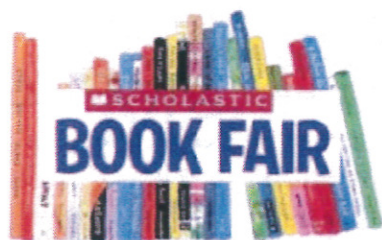
The  
**Leader**  
in Me™

*"A simple mantra for inspiring, effective, mindful leadership:  
Cultivate peace of mind and go about doing good."-- Matt Tenney*

### Attention Girls in Grades 6, 7, & 8:

If you are interested in being on the Mater Dei Girls Cub Tennis Team this spring, please contact Coach Brandy Collins at [bcollins@evdio.org](mailto:bcollins@evdio.org). This is open to girls in grades 6th-8th that attend a Mater Dei partner school. There will be 1 practice and 1 match per week. No experience is necessary. We will have a Zoom meeting for parents - the date will be announced at a later time.

If you have any questions, you may email Coach Brandy or call her at 812-677-0239. Thank you!



**We will be holding an in person book fair this week for the students. You may send in money with your student(s).**

**626 Deduction: Paperwork is attached to this newsletter about Private School/Homeschool tax deduction. Saint Wendel School DOE school id # is: D105, our tax id # is:35-099-2259. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Scheu in the office.**



**The 5th grade Service Project will now run from today Feb. 22- March 5. Please see flyer for more details.**

## **Attachments:**

- 8th Grade Service Project Flyer (Will be this week)
- 5th Grade Service Project Flyer (Will be this week)
- Tax deduction
- Youth First flyer

# Lent 2021

Daily At-Home Lenten Activities for Families

## CALENDAR

### FEBRUARY

#### SUN 21

"The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days." Mk 1:12

The season of Lent lasts for forty days. Use this or another calendar to count how many 40 days is with younger children. Consider how you will use this time to pray, to ask God for his forgiveness, and to help those in need.

#### MON 22

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Mt 25:40

Look for ways to treat each person you encounter today as you would treat Jesus.

#### TUE 23

"This is how you are to pray: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name." Mt 6:9

Offer an Our Father together. Pray it slowly and pay attention to each word and phrase.

#### WED 24

"A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me." Ps 51:12

Be aware of your words and actions today. How can you make each one more loving and kind?

#### THU 25

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." Mt 7:7

What does your family need to be happy and holy? Offer a prayer together and bring those needs to God.

#### FRI 26

"Go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come offer your gift." Mt 5:24

Talk about any ways in which your family members need to forgive and reconcile with one another. Offer words of forgiveness to one another.

#### SAT 27

"But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you." Mt 5:44

Make an effort to be kind and patient today with someone who is difficult to love.



# 8th Grade Service Project



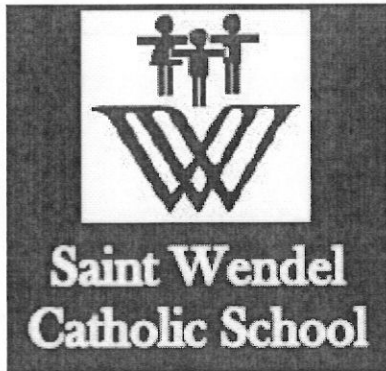
## Isaiah House 117

- Provides children with a foster home when they are removed from their family
- The kids have to put all of their things in trash bags when they leave their home
- We will use the money we collect to buy duffel bags and other necessary items for the children

## Penny Wars

- February 8th - 15th
- Each class can bring in money and put it in their class jar
- Class with the most money wins an ice-cream sundae party!

**Thank You!**



# CLOTHING AND TOILETRIES DRIVE

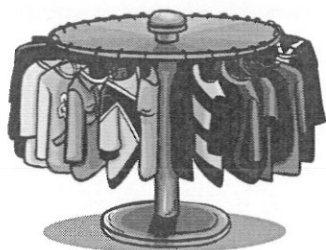
**Where?** Each student at Saint Wendel will have two weeks to bring in gently used clothing. Clothing and toiletry items can be dropped off right inside the main entrance by students each morning during the drive.

**When?** The Saint Wendel Clothing Drive will be from Monday, February 22 through Friday, March 5.

**Who is receiving the donations?** All donations will be given to a local organization called Hangers. Hangers is a non-profit organization that was formed by Evansville Area Council's PTA. Hangers serves EVSC students with all types of clothing and basic hygiene products.

**What is accepted?**

This year, the administrators of Hangers has asked us to focus on the following items. **Full size deodorant, full size toothpaste, uniform pants boys and girls - any size, boy clothes, especially youth sizes, and winter coats boys and girls in youth (K-6) sizes.** These are the items that are most needed.



All donations must be clean and gently used. Please have all items in a bag (plastic, paper, or trash bag) when brought to school. For questions, contact Mr. Johnson at [tjohnson@evdio.org](mailto:tjohnson@evdio.org).

## Private school/homeschool deduction 626<sup>1</sup>

You may be eligible for a deduction based on education expenditures paid for each dependent child who is enrolled in a private school or is homeschooled.

### Dependent child qualifications

- Your dependent child must be eligible to receive a free elementary or high school education (K-12 range) in an Indiana school corporation;
- You must be eligible to claim the child as a dependent on your federal tax return; and
- The child must be your natural or adopted child or, if not, you must have been awarded custody of the child in a court proceeding making you the court appointed guardian or custodian of the child.

**Education expenditure.** This refers to any expenditures made in connection with enrollment, attendance, or participation of your dependent child in a private elementary or high school education program. The term includes tuition, fees, computer software, textbooks, workbooks, curricula, school supplies (other than personal computers), and other written materials used primarily for academic instruction or for academic tutoring, or both. The term does not include the delivery of instructional service in a home setting to your dependent child who is enrolled in a school corporation or a charter school.

A "private elementary or high school education program" means attendance at a nonpublic school (including a private school, a parochial school and a homeschool) in Indiana that satisfies a child's obligation for compulsory attendance at a school.

The obligation for "compulsory attendance" means a child must be in attendance in a school (public and/or private) for a minimum of 180 days in a calendar year.

**Note.** No deduction will be available based on a child who is enrolled in school for a period of less than 180 days in a calendar year.

**Figure your deduction.** If you made an unreimbursed education expenditure during 2011 your deduction is:  
(1) \$1,000; multiplied by  
(2) The number of qualified dependent children for whom you made education expenditures.

*Example.* Greg and Constance have three children ages 7, 9 and 11. The two oldest children attend a private school. The youngest child attends the neighborhood public school. The parents purchased schoolbooks for all three children. They will be eligible for a \$2,000 deduction (the youngest does not qualify as he attends a public school).

**Note:** A qualifying child may be claimed for this deduction only once per year. For example, if a husband and wife are married and filing separately, whichever parent is eligible to claim the child as a dependent for exemption purposes is eligible to claim this deduction.

**How to report the deduction.** If the private school or homeschool is registered with the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE), enter the school's name and identifying number assigned by the IDOE.

### Examples:

- On Schedule 2 line 11a enter "XYZ Homeschool 019999Z" in the "Enter deduction name" box, followed by code no. 626 and the amount of the deduction.
- If the school is not registered with the IDOE, just enter the name "XYZ Homeschool" in the "Enter deduction name" box, followed by code no. 626 and the amount of the deduction.

<sup>1</sup> Text From Indiana Department of Revenue's IT-40 Booklet 2011, Page 23

Name(s) shown on Form IT-40

Your Social Security Number

1. Renter's deduction

Address where rented if different from the one on the front page (enter below)

Amount of rent paid

Landlord's name and address (enter below)

\$  .00

Round all entries

Number of months rented

Enter the lesser of \$3,000 or amount of rent paid

1  .00

2. Homeowner's residential property tax deduction

Address where property tax was paid if different from front page (enter below)

Number of months lived there

Amount of property tax paid \$  .00

Enter the lesser of \$2,500 or the amount of property tax paid

2  .00

3. State tax refund reported on federal return

3  .00

4. Interest on U.S. government obligations

4  .00

5. Taxable Social Security benefits

5  .00

6. Taxable railroad retirement benefits

6  .00

7. Military service deduction: \$5,000 maximum for qualifying person

7  .00

8. Non-Indiana locality earnings deduction: \$2,000 maximum per qualifying person

8  .00

9. Insulation deduction: \$1,000 maximum

9  .00

10. Nontaxable portion of unemployment compensation (from line 7 of Unemployment Comp. Worksheet)

**Tax Deduction Code**  .00

11. Other Deductions: See Instructions (attach additional sheets if necessary)

**IDOE School ID**

a. Enter deduction name

Saint Wendel D105

code no.

626

11a

.00

b. Enter deduction name

code no.

11b

.00

c. Enter deduction name

code no.

11c

.00

12. Add lines 1 through 11. Enter total here and on line 4 of Form IT-40.

Total Deductions

12  .00





10 WEEK PROGRAMS

Open to families  
with children

Ages 3-17



Put your  
**FAMILY  
FIRST**



**Spend quality time together!**

Create strong bonds.  
Set loving boundaries.  
Build on family strengths.

Featuring the Strengthening  
Families Curriculum

all programs virtual | free family meal

**Family First Success (Ages 7-17)**

10 WEEK PROGRAM START DATES

Tuesday, January 26, 2021

Monday, February 15, 2021

Thursday, February 18, 2021

(PROGRAM FOR SPANISH SPEAKING FAMILIES)

Thursday, February 18, 2021

(PROGRAM FOR MONROE/MORGAN COUNTY FAMILIES)

**Family First Growth (Ages 3-6)**

10 WEEK PROGRAM START DATES

Wednesday, February 3, 2021

Monday, February 8, 2021

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

Wednesday, February 24, 2021



To register, contact Laura Wathen: 812-568-5183

Or email [lwathen@youthfirstinc.org](mailto:lwathen@youthfirstinc.org)