

**NEWMAN CATHOLIC
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:
ST. ANNE**

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Dates to Remember:

No School May 5

Track Meet Grades 4 & 5
May 9

Swimming Grade 1,4,5 May
11

Swimming Grades K,2,3
Popcorn Day May 12

Grade 5 to Monk Gardens
PM May 17

Bowling Weston Lanes AM
May 26

Grade 4 to Heritage Hill
May 30

Grade 5 Promotion 8:15
May 31

Last Day of School June 1

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The Cardinal Connection

*Fostering disciples of Christ
through Catholic Faith, Services
and Academics*

May 2023

Monthly Newsletter

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents,

As I write this we are hopeful that it will start to feel like spring again soon. Despite several recent snowfalls, spring and summer will be here before we know it.

May, along with October, is a Marian month. We honor Mary, the mother of Jesus and our mother too, by having a special ceremony to crown her. O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today!

We should remember to pray to Mary often. Many Catholics offer Mary special honor and devotion in May. Your family might have a May altar with flowers and a statue of Mary, or perhaps you will say the Rosary on a regular basis this month.

A strong faith life starts in our homes and in our parish churches. Newman Catholic Schools is an extension of these, and your child's faith continues to grow through the years in our schools. This strong faith is a beautifully treasured gift that will last a lifetime. We are happy to work alongside you in unity with our parishes to educate the entire person; body, mind, and spirit. We look forward to sharing in the joy as we see that growth and progress at the end of the school year. We thank you and our parish families for their support and continued prayers. May God continue to bless us as we put our trust in Him.

Blessings,
Mrs. Vechinski

Principal's Bits 'n Pieces

Pastor Appreciation

Good Shepherd Sunday is coming up. This is a good time to show appreciation to our parish priests. We thank them for their leadership, for being with us for Mass, and for all they do for us and for Catholic Schools.

Home & School Association

Thank you to Brittany Disher, of our Home & School Association, and to Andrea Hebert, Michelle Pfender, Sarah Matushak, Stephanie Daniels, Meganne Sann, Rachel Liptack, Iris Radtke, Mary Stanislawski and all of those who helped this year with the fundraisers, the Spring Fling, and other events. Thank you so much for your involvement in the organization. Everyone is a member of the Home and School Association and it cannot function properly without your contributions and involvement. Please think about what you can do and how you might help next year.

May Crowning

Our fifth graders will be crowning Mary during the month of May. Remember to pray to Mary often to intercede for us.

Step Up Day

Later on in May we will have our students participate in a step up day. This will be a 30 minute period when students will visit the next grade level classrooms and visit with the teachers as they prepare to step up in grade level next school year. Our 4-year-old friends will have their kindergarten step up day on May 12. We welcome them to NCES St. Anne.

First Communicants

Congratulations to many of our second graders who are receiving their First Holy Communion this spring. We are happy that you will be joining us at the Lord's Table. Parents, be sure to let the teacher know when this special event is taking place. We need the date for our records, and so we can encourage your student to participate fully at the school Masses going forward. Please send a picture to school too for our special bulletin board. Thank you.

Showing Appreciation

The last weeks of school are always a good time to show our appreciation to those who help us each day as we grow in our faith and knowledge and spend our days here at St. Anne's. We will thank our secretary, teachers, and cooks, and pastors.

Virtual Art Festival

Mrs. Felts, our art teacher, along with some helpers, are preparing a virtual art show for your viewing pleasure. We will let you know just where and when you can view the art gallery to see the students' masterpieces.

No School

May 5 will be a record keeping day for teachers and May 30 is Memorial Day.

Fifth Grade Promotion

On May 31 our fifth graders and their parents will attend a promotion prayer service at 8:15 in church. This will be followed by their awards, reception and picnic. Congratulations to our fifth graders and their teachers on their promotion to sixth grade. To recognize their promotion, they will be dismissed on the last day of school, June 1, at 12:30.

Last Day of School

On the last day of school, June 1, we will have our school picnic from 11:00-12:30 outside on the playground and field. Please plan a cold lunch and bring a blanket to spread out and sit on. This event is weather dependent. Parents are welcome to join us as long as we are able to be outdoors. If the weather does not cooperate, students will have their picnic in the classrooms.

Registration Reminder

We are happy to see so many registrations complete and accepted. If you have not already done so, please consider registering for the next school year. If you need our help just let us know how we may be of assistance. We will be making phone calls this month so that registrations can be completed by June 2. Thank you.

Water Bottles

Please be sure to send your students with their water bottles this last month of school. Thank you.

Busy Days

Please be attentive to the monthly calendar/menu and constant contacts along with teacher forecasts for other details that come out during the month. The month of May can get pretty busy.

Safety

As a reminder please do not bring any dogs on to the playground before or after school. This is for our safety as well as yours.

Thank You

As we approach the end of the school year, we want to thank you for your support during the year. We continue to adapt and improve our craft as professional educators while respecting that you, the parents, are the first educators of your children. We thank you for the partnership we have with you in spending our days with your children and hope to continue to work with you next year.

On a personal note, I want to thank you for all the good wishes and messages you have shared with me about my upcoming retirement. Most of all, I want the children to know that their next principal will be someone who loves and cares for them and will still have popcorn days and Spring Flings! Thank you for the privilege of working with you and your children.

Counselor's Corner

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The 2022-2023 School year is rapidly coming to a close, it has been a great year! We have covered many classroom guidance topics from taking responsibility, friendships, careers and mindfulness, just name a few. Our Second step program continues to be a nice addition to our school it has allowed us to have a common language with students and continue to have conversation about feelings and problem solving.

Our school store was a success this year and we will continue it again next year. If you would like to make a donations for prizes it would greatly appreciated. Donation can be dropped off all summer. Thanks you in advance!

Preparing Your Child For Transition

Our children experience so many different transitions. Perhaps they are making the big jump from kindergarten to first grade or third to fourth or fifth to the middle school. No matter the transition, we want to make it as smooth as possible do that each child has a successful school year. As one school year nears an end, think about these ideas to help transition your child through the summer to a new school year.

- Talk about the positives of entering an new grade: new teacher, new friends, and new opportunities
- Address your child's fears. Listen to and validate these fears and don't ignore. Talk about your own fears when you were that age.
- Begin preparation early. Start setting bedtime routines in the summer earlier to help prepare for the transition back to school

May Guidance Lessons:

Transition



Happy Birthday

May Birthdays

Aida D. 5/3
Adelynn O. 5/4
Ruby C. 5/10
Elise G. 5/14
Carson R. 5/20
Marco R. 5/21
Robert R. 5/21
Cassidy R. 5/23
Matthew S. 5/28
Andrew S. 5/31

June Birthdays

Mercedes S. 6/3
Layla D. 6/5
Amelia G. 6/10
Jonathon M. 6/15
Liliana J. 6/18
Makayla G. 6/22
Ivanna S. 6/25



Computer News

It is difficult to believe that we are in the final month of the school year already! Time truly does fly! Speaking of time, the Kindergarten class successfully learned to use all of the tools in KidPix, so it was time to put their skills to the test! They used what they had learned to create several projects including one based off the book *The Day the Crayons Quit* and another based on the book *Carla's Sandwich*.



Our first, second, and third students are spending time in our Kidspiration software. The first graders have been busy learning how to navigate the software in order to design projects about their favorite things. The second graders are creating a chart about the signs of spring, and the third grade students are working with a partner to develop a Venn diagram comparing and contrasting their similarities and differences.

Crazy Creature Creations have been keeping the fourth grade students busy as they show off their eye for detail using Microsoft Word and KidPix. They will also spend some time learning more about some of the features in Microsoft Word. Our fifth graders are working hard on their Great Adventure projects which require them to demonstrate their knowledge of Microsoft Word and PowerPoint, as well as their internet research skills!

Spanish News

¡Es mayo! It's May! The year is sure flying by! However, we continue to work hard (and play hard) in our Spanish classes! The Kindergarteners are working toward reading the story La Gallinita Roja (The Little Red Hen.) In May, first and graders will work on a body theme, learning body parts, reviewing colors and numbers and creating fun monsters. First graders recently completed the story La Oruga Muy Hambrienta (The Very Hungry Caterpillar). Ask them ¿Qué comes? (What do you eat?) Second graders will talk about community and the places we go! Ask, ¿Adónde vas? (Where are you going?) Third graders are working on telling time in Spanish. Ask them ¿Qué hora es? Fourth grade has moved from talking about family to physical descriptions to reading the story Ricitos de Oro (Goldilock and the 3 Bears.) Fifth graders will be talking about their summer plans in Spanish. Ask them, "¿Qué tienes este verano?" Language learning tip of the month: mistakes are okay! Trying to speak Spanish albeit imperfect will take you much further in your language learning than not trying for fear of saying something incorrectly!

Art News

May News

April has been a busy month as we've been finishing up our weaving projects. This month 5th grade is working on hexagon tessellations as we create the design of a beehive with a sketched bee using tracing paper. 4th grade has started learning to cross stitch Crosses with yarn and needles. 3rd grade is making origami bunnies, as we learn the art of folding paper to create something. 2nd Grade is working on color wheel painting as we mix colors from our Primary, to make secondary. We're turning our rainbows into beautiful flowers. They've been learning to make a petal stencils, to create their flowers.

1st grade has been making 3 crosses on Calvary. We used tissue paper to make a mosaic stained glass background, and black paper to make the appearance of a silhouette.

We are currently moving into watercolor turtles.

Kindergarten has been working on 3-D frogs, and Watercolor Easter Eggs to represent the reason for celebrating Easter.

I am so proud of how many skills our little artists have been learning and applying to their art work this year. On May 6th we will be sharing our Spring Virtual Art Show. This will represent all the hard work our students have been putting into their artwork weekly with me.

I'm also looking for some donated recycled items. Any families who have cardboard egg cartons they're willing to save and send in please do. These work as wonderful disposable paint pallets for our students. Another recyclable item we could use is those plastic cups that fruit or applesauce come in.

Thank you for all your help and continued support this year!



Phy Ed News

Spring has finally sprung! Upcoming in May is swimming on May 11th or May 12 for grades K-5 at the Marathon Area Swim Association. We need many parent helpers in the locker rooms so THANK YOU to all those who have signed up to help already. Valuable swimming skills, a water safety lesson and some fun free time are scheduled for those days.

The 4th and 5th graders are busy preparing for the NCES Track Meet to be held on May 9th at the Newman Catholic MS/HS track. This year we have invited students from St. Mary's of Marathon, St. Anthony of Athens, St. John of Edgar and NCES at St. Mark. It will be a great culmination to the track unit. Each student is preparing for three individual events to compete in.

The Newman National Honor Society students will be helping run the events and we could not have our track meet without the help of so many. What a fun and eventful day this is! 4th and 5th graders

Fitness gram results were included with 3rd quarter report cards. This is just one indicator to see how your child is coming along physically and can serve as a goal setting tool as well.

If you have any questions regarding swimming at MASA or the track meet, please don't hesitate to contact me at 715-845-5754 or whamann@newmancatholicschools.com.



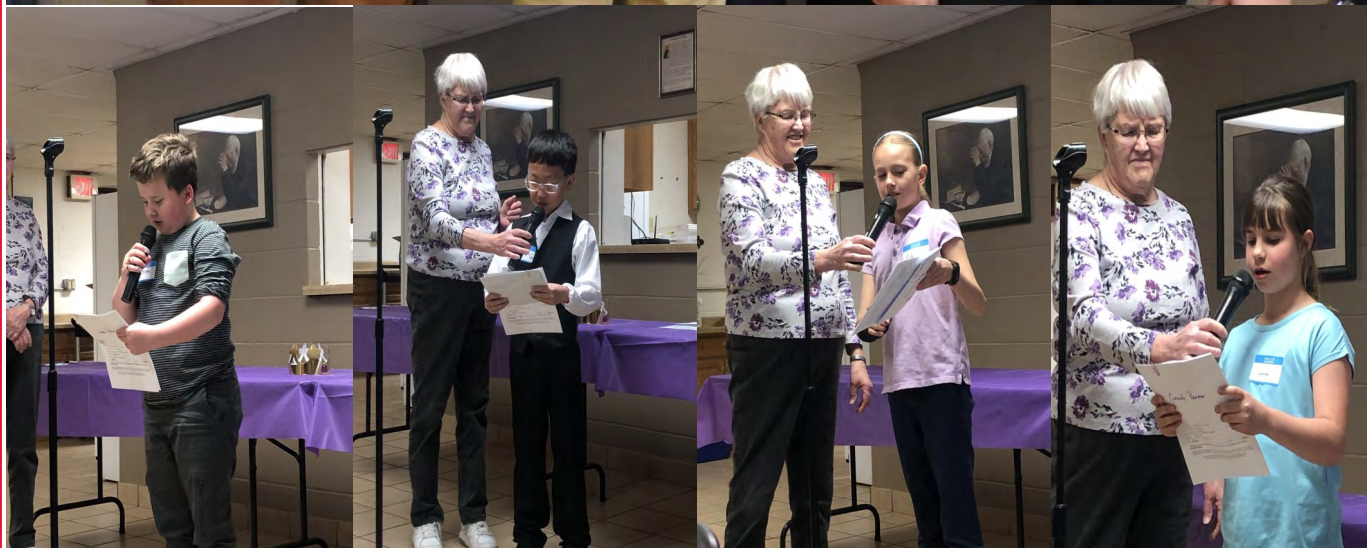
Catholic Daughters of America Contest Winners

The theme this year was "When do I have to lean on faith more than sight?" Congratulations to our winners.

Art & Computer Art: Aida 1st & 2nd place

Poetry: Cassidy 3rd place

Essay: Matthew 1st place & 2nd place James



Emmaus Walk

Christ is risen! He has risen indeed!
That was our greeting as we walked our *road to Emmaus*.



Spring Fling

Spring has sprung at NCES: St Anne. We had line dancing, photo bombing and howdy partner talking. What a blast! Hope to see you at our next Home and School event.



Fourth grade trip to Madison.



MAY NEWMAN SCRIP NEWS

Check out the mobile app for scrip on your smart phone: RaiseRight. Available in the App Store or Google Play. Use your same log in as the RaiseRight.com website.

New to scrip? You can set up your account at RaiseRight.com, call us for our enrollment code. Check out the instructional video at newmancatholicsschools.com, click on scrip.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Do you have 2-4 hours to spare a month? The scrip office could use a couple more volunteers in the office helping customers with orders. Please let us know if you are interested.

Call the Scrip Office at 715-849-7713 or email us at scrip@newmancatholicsschools.com.

We are stocked up for Cinco de Mayo:

El Tequila Salsa, La Taqueria, Patron Mexican Restaurant and El Mezcal gift cards available!

Its car wash season and we have gift card options for you!

***New* Kwik Trip Car Wash Card:** 5 Ultimate Car Washes \$36, rebate is 44.44%- that's \$16! **Car Buffs-** \$25 gift cards with a 20% rebate.

Kohl's Important Change: Kohl's is making changes to their Kohl's Cares Fundraising gift card program. Gift cards purchased from scrip can no longer be applied to Kohl's Charge Card account balances.

The following businesses can be special ordered on local scrip order weeks.

Please plan accordingly:

*Bennett Massage Therapy *Brickner's of Wausau

*Evolutions In Design *Northstar Restoration Services

scrip@newmancatholicsschools.com

May 2023 SCRIP HOURS

Monday May 1- 8:00-4:00

Monday May 29 – CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY

Tuesday May 30- 8:00-4:00

****Local Scrip Order Week****

Tuesday May 2- Closed

Wednesday May 3- Closed

Thursday May 4 -8:00-5:00

Friday May 5- Closed

Monday May 8 – 8:00-4:00

Tuesday May 9 - Closed

Wednesday May 10 - Closed

Thursday May 11 - 8:00-5:00

Friday May 12 - Closed

Monday May 15 - 8:00-4:00

****Local Scrip Order Week****

Tuesday May 16-Closed

Wednesday May 17-Closed

Thursday May 18 -8:00-5:00

Friday May 19 -Closed

Monday May 22 - 8:00-4:00

Tuesday May 23 - Closed

Wednesday May 24- Closed

Thursday May 25 -8:00-5:00

Friday May 26 - Closed



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NEWMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS



ADVENTURES OF A LIFETIME

JUNE 5 - AUGUST 17, 2023

Activities

- SPECIALITY WEEKS
- FIELD TRIPS
- MARSHFIELD ZOO • FISHING
- RAILROAD MUSEUM • BAY BEACH • MINI-GOLF
- JO JO'S JUNGLE

Ages 5* - 12

OPEN TO ALL RESIDENTS IN WAUSAU AND SURROUNDING AREAS

*MUST HAVE COMPLETED KINDERGARTEN

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JUNE 5 - 9

WELCOME CAMPERS!

JUNE 12 - 16

CLAY FUN

JUNE 19 - 23

GET UP AND MOVE

JUNE 26 - JUNE 30

PET FUN

JULY 3 - 7

PARTY IN THE USA

JULY 10 - 14

SPORTS WEEK

JULY 17 - 21

BUGS/POND LIFE

JULY 24 - 28

RAILROAD ADVENTURE

JULY 31 - AUGUST 4

FAIR FUN

AUGUST 7 - 11

KINDNESS WEEK

AUGUST 14 - 17

GOODBYE SUMMER

AUGUST 18 - 25

CENTER IS CLOSED FOR TEACHER IN-SERVICE

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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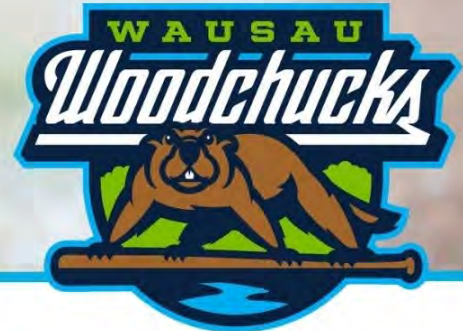
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• CENTER REOPENS FOR
CHILD CARE AUGUST 28, 2023

• ACTIVITIES MAY CHANGE
DUE TO UNFORESEEABLE
CIRCUMSTANCES

<https://www.newmancatholicschools.com/summercamp>



NEWMAN NIGHT

FRIDAY, JUNE 9TH VS. MADISON MALLARDS

FIRST PITCH 6:35PM / FIREWORKS NIGHT

Reserved Box Seats!

- **\$18.00 PER GUEST 3 YEARS AND OVER**
(CHILDREN 2 YEARS AND UNDER DO NOT NEED A TICKET)
- **INCLUDES TWO FOOD ITEMS, POTATO CHIPS & TWO DRINKS**
(BRATS, HOT DOGS, POTATO CHIPS, SODA & WATER)
- **FOOD SERVED IN PEPSI TAILGATE PAVILION**
(LOCATED NEAR THE PLAYGROUND)



Order/Purchase Tickets

- **STEP 1 - CLAIM YOUR SEATS BY GOING TO:**
 - **[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/WOODCHUCKTICKETS](https://tinyurl.com/woodchucktickets)**
 - **MAKE SURE YOUR SEATS ARE IN YOUR "CART"**
- **STEP 2 - CONTACT JACCI LEPAK FOR PAYMENT**
- **STEP 3 - PICK-UP FOOD VOUCHERS AT FAN SERVICES/INFORMATION TABLE THE NIGHT OF THE GAME**



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\$2.00 UPCHARGE IF USING CREDIT CARD

NCES: St. Anne May 2023 Calendar and Lunch Menu

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 May Crowning Ham Scalloped Potatoes Peas, Dinner Roll, Peaches	2 Pizza, Salad, Corn, Applesauce	3 Mass 8:15 <i>Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Baked Beans Pears</i>	4 Virtual Art Show Tater Tot Casserole Mixed Veggies Dinner Roll & Peanut Butter Brownie	5 No School Teacher Record Keeping Day	6
7 Worship with your Family 	8 Pork Meatballs w Gravy, Noodles, Carrots Fruit Cup	9 Track Meet Grades 4&5 Corn Dogs or Hot Dogs Fries, Baked Beans Apple Slices	10 Mass 8:15 Chicken Tenders Potato Wedges Corn Peaches	11 Swimming for grades 1,4,5 Turkey Ranch Salad w/ Egg & Cheese Breadstick Apple Salad	12 Popcorn Day Swimming for grades K,2,3 Step up to Kindergarten 8:30 Twisted Breadstick w/ Marinara Broccoli w/ Cheese Fruit Celebrate Lunch Ladies	13
14 Happy Mother's Day 	15 Menu TBD NCS will post and share as we get closer (:	16	17 Mass 8:15 Grade 5 to Monk Gardens PM	18	19 Spirit Day 1:30 All school Assembly The Ned Show	20
21 Celebrate the Lord's Day	22	23	24 Mass 8:15	25	26 Spirit Day Bowling at Weston Lanes Step-Up Day	27
28 Go to Mass	29 No School Memorial Day	30 Grade 4 Heritage Hill	31 Grade 5 Promotion 8:15 Awards, Reception, Picnic	1 Last Day Picnic 11-12:30 Weather dependent	2	3