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June 8, 2016

May is the month of Mary

BY MRS. L. TEMPLE

The month of May is the "month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady," and it is the occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world give to the Queen of Heaven—the Mother Mary. During this month Christians, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. This month has also been referred to as the Marian month. This celebration also occurs during the 50 days of Easter. A true honour and time of celebration in our Catholic Church.

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Benny's in the Local Media

THE RECORD: [St. Mary's Cole Belkwell sets two records](#)

CAMBRIDGE TIMES: [Sisters tackle Bruce Trail relay](#)

Administrative

It's almost Exam time!

Grade 12

All courses (except those listed below) will have a 75 minute Final Evaluation taking place on June 20, 21, 22, or 23. All final evaluations will take place beginning at either 8:10 am or 11:40 am as per the schedule below.

The following courses will have a 2 hour Final Evaluation taking place on June 20, 21, 22, or 23:

Business: Analyzing Current Economic Issues CIA4U, Principals of Financial Accounting BAT4M

Communications – English/French: Grade 12 University English ENG4U; Grade 12 College English ENG4C; Grade 12 University Writer's Craft EWC4U; Grade 12 University English Literature Studies ETS4U; Grade 12 University Core French FSF4U

Geography: The Environment & Resource Management CGR4M, Canadian & World Issues CGW4U

History: Canadian History CHI4U, World History CHY4U & CHY4C, Canadian and International Law CLN4U, Global Indigenous NDW4M

Math: Grade 12 University 4U; Grade 12 College Technology MCT4C

Physical Education: Grade 12 University Exercise Science PSK4U

Religion: Grade 12 University/College Church & Culture HRE4M

Science: Grade 12 College 4C; Grade 12 University 4U

Social Sciences: Individuals & Families in a Diverse Society HHS4C & HHS4U, Challenge & Change in Society HSB4M

Monday, June 20

11:40 – 1:40 p.m.: Period 4 – Final Evaluation

Tuesday, June 21

11:40 – 1:40 p.m.: Period 3 – Final Evaluation

Wednesday, June 22

8:10 – 10:10 a.m.: Period 1 – Final Evaluation

Thursday, June 23

8:10 – 10:10 a.m.: Period 2 – Final Evaluation

Friday, June 24

Credit Rescue time as arranged by the teacher and student.

NOTE:

- All students will remain in their exam room for the full 2 hours.
- All students are expected to be in full uniform during Final Evaluation and Credit Rescue classes.

Grades 9 to 11

All courses (except those listed below) will have a 75 minute Final Evaluation taking place on June 22, 23, 24, or 27.

Students who meet the following criteria will not be required to attend school in the afternoon on these days:

- a. have achieved a passing grade;
- b. have submitted all summative activities; and
- c. have completed all components of their final culminating activity

Students who do not meet the above criteria will be required to attend Credit Rescue in the afternoon on these days with the possibility of attending an additional 2 hour Credit Recovery class on June 28th in an attempt to be successful in obtaining their credit.

The following courses will have a 2 hour Final Evaluation taking place on June 22, 23, 24, or 27:

Business: Introduction to Financial Accounting BAF3M

Communications – English/French: Grade 11 University English ENG3U; Grade 11 College English ENG3C; Grade 11 University Core French FSF3U

Geography: Physical Geography CGF3M

History: American History CHA3U, World History CHW3M, Understanding Canadian Law CLU3M

Math: All Grade 10 Academic 2D; All Grade 11 University 3U; Grade 11 University/College 3M

Religion: Grade 11 University/College World Religions HRT3M

Science: All Grade 9 & 10 Academic 1D, 2D; All Grade 11 College 3C; Grade 11 University/College 3M; Grade 11 University 3U

Social Sciences: Introduction to Anthropology HSP3M

Wednesday, June 22

8:10 – 10:10 a.m.: 75 minute exam for Period 1 class *OR* 2 hour exam for Period 1 class

Thursday, June 23

8:10 – 10:10 a.m.: 75 minute exam for Period 2 class *OR* 2 hour exam for Period 2 class

Friday, June 24

8:10 – 10:10 a.m.: 75 minute exam for Period 3 class *OR* 2 hour exam for Period 3 class

Monday, June 27

8:10 – 10:10 a.m.: 75 minute exam for Period 4 class *OR* 2 hour exam for Period 4 class

Tuesday, June 28

Credit Rescue time as arranged by the teacher and student.

NOTE:

- All students will remain in their exam room for the full 2 hours.
- Teachers will offer Credit Rescue on a needs basis in the afternoon.
- All students are expected to be in full uniform during Final Evaluation and Credit Rescue classes.

Bus schedule

Wednesday, June 22

Morning: Regular Bus Schedule

After exam: Dismissal 10:30 a.m., buses leave 10:45am

Thursday, June 23

Morning: Regular Bus Schedule

After exam: Dismissal 10:30 a.m., buses leave 10:45am

Friday, June 24

Morning: Regular Bus Schedule

After exam: Dismissal 10:30 a.m., buses leave 10:45am

Monday, June 27

Morning: Regular Bus Schedule

After exam: Dismissal 10:30 a.m., buses leave 10:45am

Tuesday, June 28

NO BUSES

Mary (Cont'd)

BY MRS. L. TEMPLE

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Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. This month has also been referred to as the Marian month. This celebration also occurs during the 50 days of Easter. A true honour and time of celebration in our Catholic Church.

The Blessed Virgin Mary is the Mother of the Church and therefore the example, as well as the guide and inspiration, of everyone who, in and through the Church, seeks to be the servant of God and the obedient agent of the promptings of the Holy Spirit. During this month we may say the rosary more, use the Hail Mary prayer more often, or celebrate with the placing of flowers at the statues of Mary amongst other things.

Let us keep our Mother Mary in our prayers during the remainder of this month and remind ourselves of her love, faith and trust in God as well as her humble nature.

Adapted from https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/overviews/months/05_1.cfm.

Mission: Accomplished!

BY MRS. L. TEMPLE

A few months ago our school did a few mission collections to help St. Mark's Parish in Kitchener sponsor a family from Syria. We just received word yesterday that they will be arriving in June—a family of 6: 3 boys and one girl, a mom and a dad. The parish was very grateful for our support. Thanks for sharing your change to help this family arrive somewhere safe. We wish them all the best here in Canada.

Academics



Enriching the Lives of Students

BY MRS. D. WITTMANN

There many opportunities for students to enhance their learning experience: Enrichment courses, LEAP, OYAP, UCEP, Co-op, Home Build, SHSM, and Skills Canada. Visit the Enrichment blog for information on all these opportunities. The Blogroll contains a plethora of learning enhancements. To learn more about what we offer, click the link.

[Enrichment@St.Benedict blog.](#)



English Corner

BY MRS. D. WITTMANN

To receive an Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) each student must obtain 4 credits in English (1 credit per grade). Visit the English blog to read the course offerings provided by the Saint Benedict English Department. The Blogroll has great resources for both students and parents. Enjoy!

[English@St.Benedict blog.](#)

Important Reminder!

Students who are interested in the Japanese Exchange trip for next year: there is mandatory parent meeting tonight at St. Benedict. The meeting begins at 6:30p.m.

Are you graduating by June 2016, are interested in attending post-secondary education or apprenticeship training, but...

- you are not sure what you want to do after high school?
- you applied and were accepted to university or college but aren't sure if you're ready?
- you applied to college or university and weren't accepted?

Experience Ontario may be for you!

You are invited to apply to Experience Ontario. Experience Ontario provides a combination of work experiences, career coaching and supports to apply for postsecondary education and apprenticeship training.

For more information please see Ms. Craftchick in the Student Success Centre (Room 208) by Friday, May 27th.

Algonquin trip

By Ms. M. NOVAKOVICH

The PAD 30 Outdoor Ed. Phys. Ed. class had the opportunity to head to Algonquin trip for an interior canoe trip last week! The trip was an amazing experience that allowed students to experience backcountry camping and canoeing for 4 days!

As quoted by a student on the trip, Our trip was ... "a unique way to self reflect and appreciate just how amazing nature is. We're so small in this world and there are so many beautiful things out there to see, Algonquin park is one of them. Definitely a trip I will never forget."



High School & Elementary School Students Collaborate to Develop Apps4Learning

WITH FILES FROM WCDSB NEWSWIRE

On Thursday, May 26th, 2016 students from four WCDSB secondary schools and five WCDSB elementary schools will visit the Catholic Education Centre to demonstrate and celebrate the mobile apps they have developed via the *Apps4Learning Program*.

Apps4Learning provides students with the opportunity to cross-collaborate on an initiative to build educational, mobile apps that complement the school curriculum. The program requires high school students collaborating with elementary school students (grade 4-6) to develop, design and create an app that will be curriculum based and used to supplement traditional learning in the classroom and beyond.

One of those classes will be Mr. Milardovic's grade 11 programming class, who worked with Mrs. Venditti's grade 5 class from St. Joseph's elementary school. Together, the two classes worked to develop six apps which work on the internet, and can also be downloaded to mobile telephones and tablets. The grade 5 students came up with the app name, the icon, and most of the questions and answers for the quizzes. The grade 11 students needed to develop the graphics, assemble the app, and interconnect the pages to make sure the app functioned properly.

It taught students in both grades how to collaborate, plan, and negotiate. It also gave students an opportunity to further develop their communication skills and problem-solving skills.

The apps—which are still in the final development stages—can be accessed from the school website at <http://stbenedict.wcdsb.ca/apps/>.

Athletics

Boys rugby

BY MR. N. KRZYSZTOFIK

Congratulations to the boys rugby teams for an incredible season. The senior team won their last game against Rockway 15-12. Special shout out to Nick Stainsby and a last second try from Graham Shepard to win the game. Also' a great effort from the junior team. Try scorers were Jack Ceccomanci and Nick Barrett. Thanks for the great season.

Varsity girls soccer

BY MR. J. BAILEY

In District 8 quarterfinal action, the Varsity Girls Soccer Team blanked Pere Rene 3:0. The girls played a solid game all around the field and controlled most of the play. The offense was led by Tiana Pereira, who scored all three goals for the Saints and once again the defence held strong with a solid game from Abby Van Groningen as well as Emma Croswell in net to record the shutout. The semi-final opponent was Resurrection.

Sadly, the girls' season came to an end following a loss to Resurrection. In a cold and rainy game, the girls fell behind in the first half; they never quit and fought back all game, but unfortunately were not able to complete the comeback. The team worked hard all season and was one of the best defensive teams in D8, with an impressive four consecutive shutouts! Thanks again for your hard work this season Saints!

Senior boys soccer

BY MR. E. OFFAK

The Senior Boys soccer team pulled out a thrilling victory last Monday afternoon in penalty kicks over first place St. David. With the score tied 0-0 late in the 2nd half, Philip Trepanier scored to take a 1-0 lead. St. David's replied to send the game into overtime. The game went onto penalty kicks where Cyle Costa and Mike Filipovic converted from the spot. The hero in P.K.'s was goalkeeper Andrew Ager stopping an amazing 4 of 5 shots he faced! The team will prepare for the D-8 final on Wednesday versus St. Mary's.

Track and Field

BY MR. F. WITTMANN

District 8

BIENN BOX SCORES

Sr. Girls slo pitch

Saints 13, Resurrection 5
St. Mary's 9, Saints 5
St. David 13, Saints 3
Resurrection 9, Saints 8

Sr. Boys slo pitch

Resurrection 16, Saints 10
Saints 12, St. Mary's 7
Saints 20, St. Mary's 14
Saints 10, Msgr. Doyle 1

Varsity Girls soccer

Saints 3, Pere Rene 0
Resurrection 2, Saints 0

Sr. Boys soccer

Saints 2, Msgr. Doyle 0
St. David 1, Saints 2
St. Mary's 2, Saints 1

Bennie's won all 3 Overall Track and Field Titles by the narrowest of margins over Resurrection: Overall Girls (404 to 399), Overall Boys (353 to 343), and Combined Overall Titles (757 to 742). A 5 point difference is one 4th place finish by one athlete in one event. That's close!!

This is the 5th Combined Overall title for St. Benedict, and the 2nd in 3 years.

In addition, Bennies won 3 of the 6 divisions: Midget Girls, Senior Girls, and Senior Boys.

Individual Meet Champions were Hope Harnack, and Jade Weir.

Double gold medal winners were Sevanne Ghazarian, Nana-Afia Agyeipah, Marcus Penaloza, Augustine Soga, and Nikki Davidson.

Single gold winners were Amanda Meisner, Alex Bukowski, Devaughn Channer, and Xavier Isaacs.

10 School Records set at District 8 Track and Field 2016!

1. Daysha Bowers MG Triple Jump 9.62m
2. MG 4X100m Relay 56.74s (Julia Laviolette, Hannah Lee, Kyanna Vi, Abby Dupon)
3. Nana-Afia Agyeipah JG Shot Put 11.53m
4. Nana-Afia Agyeipah JG Discus 28.21m
5. Sevanne Ghazarian SG 1500m 5:00.42min
6. Sevanne Ghazarian SG 3000m 10:57.29min
7. Sarah Sue-Ping bettered her SG Javelin 30.39m
8. Augustine Soga bettered his SB Long Jump 6.24m
9. Marucs Penaloza SB 200m 22.63s
10. Xavier Isaacs IDB 100m 14.18s

Bolded records are also new District 8 Records!



CWOSSA

It was a record setting tournament for the Saints who captured 5 gold, 4 silver, and 2 bronze medals at CWOSSA in Kincardine.

Gold medals were won by Xavier Isaacs (100), Alex Bukowski (High Jump), Marcus Penaloza (200), Nana-Afia Agyeipah (Shot) and Sevanne Ghazarian (3000). Silvers went to Sevanne (1500), Marcus (100), Sarah Sue-Ping (Javelin) and Augustine Soga (Triple Jump). Nana-Afia also had a bronze in discus, and Hope Harnack grabbed the bronze in the 3000. These athletes will be joined by Adrian Logo (hurdles) when they compete at West OFSAA this Friday and Saturday at Jacon Hespeler. Come cheer them on!

Lacrosse recap

By MR. N. CALHOUN

Please congratulate the St. Benedict Lacrosse team in their inaugural year of play. Our players

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demonstrated excellent character and grit this season and are already looking forward to our up and coming season in 2017.

Honourable mention goes to David Anderson and Caitlyn McGivern. David's accuracy with outside shots were rivaled by no one in the league. While Caitlyn McGivern dominated the loose ball, and shook off some of the hardest checks.

The new [District 8 website](#) now allows you to sign up for nightly e-mail updates. You can select the school (or schools) you want to follow, and all the sports results will be sent to your email address.

The service is free. Sign up by [following this link](#).

Clubs

Student Activities

If you are interested in applying for a position on next year's Student Activities Council, pick up an application from the SAC Office any time before or after school or at lunch. Applications need to be returned to the SAC Office by 2:30pm on Friday, May 27th. If you have any questions about SAC, please contact Mr. Curtis in the SAC Office.

The Arts

Other News

FIRST YEAR PROMOTION

Are you starting your first year of high school?
Then please join us for a special promotion just for you.

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north america's finest private school apparel

Starting May 30th through June 25th we're offering

**10%
off**
on all orders over \$200

**20% off non-core with
purchase of \$200 or more**

FREE SHIPPING ON ALL ORDERS OVER \$150

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, May 25

6:30pm Japanese Exchange Trip info meeting
7:00pm Spring Concert

Thursday, May 26

10:40am Robotics Club
10:40am Giving Back Club
10:40am Programmers Club
10:40am Fresh Club
2:15pm Seams Sew Easy Club
2:15pm Games Club
2:15pm Jazz Band

Friday, May 27

Wednesday, June 8

10:40am Cosmo Club
10:40am Guitar Club
10:40am Ultimate Frisbee
10:45am Financial Club
10:45am E-Car club
2:10pm Yearbook Team
2:10pm Camera Club
EQAO Gr. 9 Math Assessment
BENN Newsletter released

Thursday, June 9

10:40am Robotics Club
10:40am Giving Back Club

10:40am Star Trek Club
10:40am United Cultures
2:15pm Dr. Who club

Monday, May 30
2:15pm Concert Band

Tuesday, May 31
10:40am Arts Council
10:40am Mock United Nations
10:40am Accepting Differences Club
10:40am Puzzles Club
10:45am Games Club
10:45am E-Car club

Wednesday, June 1
10:35am SAC BBQ Blast
10:35am MOPA
10:40am Cosmo Club
10:40am Guitar Club
10:40am Ultimate Frisbee
10:45am Financial Club
10:45am E-Car club
2:10pm Yearbook Team
2:10pm Camera Club

Thursday, June 2
8:00am Skills Training and Development with SRG
10:40am Robotics Club
10:40am Giving Back Club
10:40am Programmers Club
10:40am Fresh Club
2:15pm Seams Sew Easy Club
2:15pm Games Club
2:15pm Jazz Band
7:00pm School Council meeting
Arts Banquet

Friday, June 3
10:40am Star Trek Club
10:40am United Cultures
2:15pm Dr. Who club

Monday, June 6
2:15pm Concert Band

Tuesday, June 7
10:40am Arts Council
10:40am Mock United Nations
10:40am Accepting Differences Club
10:40am Puzzles Club
10:45am Games Club
10:45am E-Car club
EQAQ Gr. 9 Math Assessment

10:40am Programmers Club
10:40am Fresh Club
2:15pm Seams Sew Easy Club
2:15pm Games Club
2:15pm Jazz Band
Athletic Banquet

Friday, June 10
10:40am Star Trek Club
10:40am United Cultures
2:15pm Dr. Who club
Closing Assembly

Monday, June 13
2:15pm Concert Band

Tuesday, June 14
10:40am Arts Council
10:40am Mock United Nations
10:40am Accepting Differences Club
10:40am Puzzles Club
10:45am Games Club
10:45am E-Car club

To see the full calendar, go to Benny's News ►
Calendar of Events.

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happening at St.
Benedict's using your
cell phone**



Visit stbenedict.wcdsb.ca/calendar.php
from your cell phone.
(Be sure to bookmark it!)

Miscellaneous

We want to know...

Thank you to those who have taken time to provide us with feedback. Your opinions are important to us! Please [email us](#) with your comments and suggestions. If you like our newsletter, tell others; if you don't like it, tell us!

Check out our school website at <http://stbenedict.wcdsb.ca> for news and information updates.

