

**LA SALLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS**

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**Pastorate Mass Schedule**

Holy Cross 4:00 Saturday  
Sherrill 6:00 Saturday  
Balltown 8:00 Sunday  
Rickardsville 10:00 Sunday

Readings for this weekend: Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35  
Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24  
Divine Mercy Sunday 1 John 5:1-6  
John 20:19-31

*“Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them,  
and whose sins you retain are retained.”*

**STO:** <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid> The deadline is fast approaching to apply for STO scholarships for K-6 for the 2021-22 school year. **The deadline for application is April 15.** There will not be a second round of applications, so it is very important that all applications for scholarships be submitted to FACTS by April 15. Even though the federal income tax filing date has been pushed back to May, the STO application is still due April 15. The application fee is \$31 per family (not per student). Families who apply for STO will receive a \$25 gift of scrip from the school to help offset the application fee. If you would like help accessing the application, need documents scanned, need a computer/internet connection, or have questions, please call Barb or Susan at school, 563-870-2405. **The deadline for applications is April 15, 2021.**

**April Dates:** April 10 and 11 students will serve as lectors and commentators at weekend school Masses; April 16 at 8:30—school Mass is planned by grades 3/4; April 23 at 8:30—school Mass is planned by first grade; April 30 at 8:30—school Mass is planned by kindergarten

**Spring Social:** We would like to invite ALL to reserve their meal for this year’s “drive-up” chicken dinner. Also, make sure you sign up with BiddingOwl ([www.biddingowl.com/lasallecatholicchool](http://www.biddingowl.com/lasallecatholicchool)) so you can check out all of the awesome donations we have received for this year’s VIRTUAL silent auction. Each class has hand-made a few items that will be available for bidding/purchase on Friday, April 16th-17th ONLY! Keep checking our Facebook page for sneak peeks of items that will be available starting April 5th!

Spring Social Committee is looking for help with our upcoming annual Spring Social. We need more help this year with it being a drive thru event. If you can help at all on Saturday to help pack cold food from 1-3pm or on Sunday to help with the meal, please sign up for your desired time between 10:30-2:30pm. If you can help for a little while, but not a whole shift or with any questions please contact Miss Ambrosy at [bambrosy@lasalle.pvt.k12.ia.us](mailto:bambrosy@lasalle.pvt.k12.ia.us). Please go to [volunteersignup.org/CF3M8](http://volunteersignup.org/CF3M8) to sign up.

**2021-22 School Calendar:** The approved calendar for the 2021-22 school year is posted at the school website.

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ISASP: Students in grades 3-6 will be taking the ISASP, Iowa State Assessment of Student Progress, next week, April 12-15. This test replaces what used to be called ITBS or Iowa Assessments. The test is taken on the computer and includes subtests of reading, writing/language arts, and math. Fifth grade students also take a science subtest. La Salle is a state-accredited non-public school, and our students are required to take the same state assessments such as ISASP and FAST that public school students take. Please encourage your child to get enough sleep and eat a good breakfast and to try their best on the tests.

Student Sign-In and Out: There is a clipboard for student sign-in and out on the window ledge by the office. If your child arrives at school after our 7:45 start time, please bring your child to the door by the office and sign them in on the clipboard. Likewise, if your child needs to leave before 3:30, please sign them out on the clipboard.

Allergy Awareness: La Salle is transitioning to being a peanut-free building. One step towards this was to change the alternate sandwich offerings at lunch from peanut butter and jelly to cold-meat sandwiches. We ask that students bringing a cold lunch avoid peanut butter sandwiches.

Tuition Payments/Account Balances: Any account balances should be paid by the end of the fiscal year, June 30. Please watch for an update from Barb to confirm any remaining amounts. If needed, payment plans can be set up for the final three months of the fiscal year.

Can and Bottle Fundraiser: La Salle Catholic School continues to collect cans and bottles for redemption. We'd be happy to "help" with your spring cleaning by taking the cans and bottles off your hands. Drop off bins are located in Sherrill, Rickardsville, and Holy Cross. If you have a large quantity, please call school to schedule a pickup. Thank you for sharing your nickels with us; they add up and are greatly appreciated.

Preview of Coming Attractions: We are working on plans for a variety of activities for April and May. More details will be provided in the coming weeks. We plan to walk and pick up trash along the roadway for Earth Day on April 22. We are planning two field trips, one for PE to go bowling and one for the SWITCH program, to go to Osborne Nature Center. We anticipate having a fly-up day for students to visit next year's class before the end of the school year. We will start talking with students next week about a talent show to be presented later in May. Our field day is planned for Tuesday, May 25.

STEM Scale -Up Grants: The announcement was made this morning that La Salle has received four Scale-Up grants for next school year. We are excited to have received grants for DreamBox Learning Math, a digital math program to supplement our math instruction for kindergarten through sixth grade; Storytime STEM-packs, a program designed to connect children's literature with STEM for preschool and kindergarten; Teaching Energy Transformations and Energy Sources, a program of lessons and hands-on materials for grades 5 and 6; and FIRST Lego League Explore to start two Lego League teams next year.

Grant for Reducing Lead-based Paint Hazards: Is your home older? Do you worry about the hazards of lead paint? Exposure to lead is especially harmful for children. Residents of Dubuque and Delaware Counties can apply for a grant of up to \$20,000 to eliminate lead-based paint hazards in homes and rental units. Please call 563-690-5791 or email [leadpaint@ecia.org](mailto:leadpaint@ecia.org) for more information. If you know of someone who could benefit from the program, there is a \$100 visa gift card referral bonus for a successful referral.

Stations of the Cross Video: La Salle Catholic School students in kindergarten and first grade acted out the Stations of the Cross while students in grades 2-6 narrated. The video can be accessed here: [https://youtu.be/lfDTDKnY\\_Q8](https://youtu.be/lfDTDKnY_Q8)