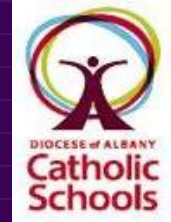




# ***Saratoga Central Catholic School***

***Preparation for College - Values for life***



## **Mission Statement**

***Saratoga Central Catholic School seeks to enlighten, inspire, and nurture the minds, hearts, and souls of our students in academic excellence based on the teachings of Jesus Christ in the Catholic tradition.***

***"Omnia Pro Deo" - All for God***

## **LENTEN MESSAGE**

### **God has a better way of doing things.**

God's ways are not simply a minor adjustment of our own. They often represent the opposite end of the spectrum. Jesus invites us to a change in attitude, but that alone is not enough. Ultimately that change in attitude should lead to a change in behavior.

Isaiah 55:8 says, "Your thoughts are not my thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, declares the Lord." It is interesting that a connection is made here between thoughts and action. What we spend our days and weeks thinking about has an enormous impact on our actions.

What are you thinking? As you make your way to work each day, as you are waiting in the doctor's office or standing in the grocery store line, in those moments between activities, what do you think about?

I know this for certain: Whatever we spend these apparently inconsequential moments thinking about will increase in our lives. Few things will have more impact on your life than what you allow to occupy your mind. Use these times to ponder the ways of God and you will find yourself living them.

Matthew Kelly

<http://dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever/lent-2016/mans-ways-gods->

## NEWS and NOTES

### **No School Wednesday, March 23rd**

Our Easter Break begins Wednesday, March 23rd and school will resume Easter Monday, the 28th.

### **No Stillwater Bus Transport Monday, March 28th**

Stillwater District will not be providing transportation for non-public schools today. Stillwater District Parents are asked to provide alternate transportation today.

### **Sister Sue is missing 7 Bibles**

Middle School Parents: Sister would like you to please check your homes for copies of The Breakthrough Bible. Please have your children return them to Sister as soon as possible.

## EDUCATION - GUIDANCE

### **Juniors**

#### **SAT Test Schedule**

Students need to sign up for SAT Exams through College Board. They need to create an account and sign up, and pay for exams through this site.

[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

<u>Test Dates</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>	<u>Late Reg. Deadline</u>
May 7, 2016	April 8, 2016	April 26, 2016
June 4, 2016	May 5, 2016	May 25, 2016

## **ACT Test Schedule**

Students need to sign up for ACT Exams through the ACT Student site  
[www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

<u>Test Dates</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>	<u>Late Reg. Deadline</u>
April 9, 2016	March 4, 2016	March 5-18, 2016
June 11, 2016	May 6, 2016	May 7-20, 2016

## **Junior Time Lines**

### March

- Sign-up for the Spring (May and June) SAT and ACT Exams
- Attend the College Readiness Day for all Juniors at Catholic High
- Use Naviance to explore colleges, career interest and job outlooks and descriptions
- Visit a few college campuses over the Easter vacation.

### April

- Visit a few college campuses over the Spring vacation.
- Update your resume in Naviance
- Attend Spring College Open House Events
- Make sure that you are signed up for the May and/or June SAT/ACT tests

### May

- Attend Spring College Open House Events
- Take the SAT and/or ACT's
- Use Naviance to compare yourself to the college's admission requirements.

### June

- Take the SAT and/or ACT's
- Make a plan of colleges you are going to visit over the summer
- Use Naviance

### Summer

- Visit college campuses to finalize colleges you will be applying to in the fall.
- Attend one of Mrs. Barnes' August Senior Workshops (mandatory)
- Work on your college essay
- Use Naviance

# **Seniors**

This is a reminder to check with the schools to make sure that all of your information is there so that they can make a decision. This is your responsibility. Guidance does not receive information that materials are missing. Remember that they are printing 1000's of applications and materials for students.

## **Scholarships**

### **Malta Sunrise Rotary Scholarship**

1 - \$1000.00 scholarship for a senior that is a Malta resident. See Mrs. Barnes for application, Deadline March 30, 2016

### **Saratoga Springs, Lions Club Scholarship**

\$5000.00 offered by the Lions Club. See Mrs. Barnes for application and essay requirement. Deadline March 31, 2016

### **Saratoga Builders Association 2016 Scholarship Award**

\$1000.00 is available to high school seniors who are planning to pursue construction education at a 2- or 4-year accredited college. See Mrs. Barnes for an application. Deadline April 1st, 2016

### **The Amy Bindelglass Memorial Scholarship**

A \$500.00 for the winner and a \$200.00 scholarship for the runner up for the essay contest for the high school **Junior or Senior** who writes a well-thought out, creative submission on the chosen topic. See Mrs. Barnes for Application and essay topic. Deadline is April 1, 2016

### **New York State Association of Agricultural Fairs and NYS Showpeople's Association**

10 \$1000.00 scholarships will be awarded applications and details are at [www.nyfairs.org](http://www.nyfairs.org) Deadline is April 2, 2016

### **Saratoga Hospital Guild Scholarship**

The Saratoga Hospital Volunteer Guild has 5 scholarships of \$1500 each for high school seniors. Applicants must have an average of 80% or higher and planning to pursue a college program in a health-related field. Applications are available at [www.saratogahospital.org](http://www.saratogahospital.org) Deadline is April 4, 2016

### **The Schuylerville Community Theater Scholarship**

This scholarship is available to graduating seniors who will be pursuing a degree from an accredited college in Music, Dance, Drama or theater Arts. And application can be downloaded at [www.scttheater.org](http://www.scttheater.org) Deadline April 15, 2016

### **Adirondack School counseling Association Scholarship**

\$1500.00 for any senior planning on attending a 4-year college who will study human services, sociology, or psychology. See Mrs. Barnes for application. Deadline is April 20, 2016

### **Epilepsy Foundation - The Nick Birchak Strength of Character College Scholarship and The Epilepsy Foundation of Northeastern New York Scholarship**

\$1000.00 will be awarded from both scholarships above to a graduating senior who is currently being treated for epilepsy and has plans to further their education. See Mrs. Barnes for application. Deadline April 29th, 2016

### **Bridging People and Places Scholarship**

In memory of Dave Vanderzee, founder of Willard Mountain Ski Area, Bridging People and Places is offering their annual scholarship of \$500.00 offered to any young person who has faced a serious illness or serious life crisis. Application can be downloaded at [www.bridgingpeople.org](http://www.bridgingpeople.org) Deadline is April 30th, 2016

### **Aspiring Nursing Scholarship**

Seniors who will be attending a nursing program in the fall are eligible to apply for the \$1000.00 Scholarship at [www.nursingschoolsalmanac.com](http://www.nursingschoolsalmanac.com) Deadline is June 30, 2016

### **Saratoga Springs Rotary**

All seniors are working on this Scholarship in Senior Thesis Class.

**Huntington's College Scholarship Sweepstakes** Text "500" to 84444 to win \$500



**PEER MINISTRY - COMMUNITY SERVICE - RELIGION -  
NJHS & NHS**



Please join us on the last Tuesday of Lent in praying the  
rosary!  
2:30PM in the chapel

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## **Volunteer Opportunities**

- **Knights of Columbus Fish Fry**  
Fridays, March 18th and 25th from 5 pm - 7 pm  
Volunteers needed to help with tables and dishes  
FREE DINNER INCLUDED!!!
- **Saratoga Nursing Center** is currently trying to get their residents more involved with the community and local schools. Volunteers typically assist us with running activities and spending time with the residents. We are also looking for any students interested in history who would like to be paired up with a Veteran. There are several here and it would be a really good experience for both Student and Veteran.
- **Saratoga Springs Senior Center** is looking for volunteers to help Seniors with their computers!

If you are interested in the above opportunities,  
please let Mrs. McHale know as soon as possible!

- **Interested in volunteering during the school day?**

If you are available during Study Halls, Flex or Lunch time,  
please let Mrs. McHale know as soon as possible!

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SCC is collecting donations for Catholic Relief Services during Lent. Students may bring donations to any classroom, the cafeteria or the main office. SCC will match all rice bowl donations so we can really make a difference this year.

Thank you for your support.

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## **The Annual Father Bondi Golf Tournament**

The Father Bondi Golf Tournament will be Friday, May 27th at [The Ballston Spa Country Club](#).

[Click here for the Sponsorship/Registration Form](#)

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## **Win Full Tuition for Next Year!**

Raffle tickets have been mailed to your homes. Please return the ticket stub with your name and contact info to SCC with your payment by **March 31st**.

**You could win FULL TUITION for the 2016-2017 school year!** Additional tickets can be purchased by contacting Mary Guarnieri at [guarnieri@saratogacatholic.org](mailto:guarnieri@saratogacatholic.org)

# TUITION CREDIT RAFFLE

Tickets sold:  
March 1 – March 31  
ONLY



## WIN TUITION

Credit for the 2016-2017 School Year!

*Only 200 tickets will be sold!  
Don't miss this great opportunity*

**Ticket Price: \$100**

Proceeds to benefit: Saratoga Central Catholic Tuition Assistance

*Grandparents, uncles, aunts, relatives, and  
current, new and prospective families welcome.*

**Winner to be announced at the Awards Luncheon,  
Thursday, May 26, 2016**



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## **The Beacon of Hope Community Spirit Award**

The **Beacon of Hope Community Spirit Award** recognizes an individual in our school community whose efforts in the past year to support our school and its mission have made a difference.



This is a People's Choice Award! Nominees can include parents, guardians, parishioners, and other volunteers.

Deadline for nominations is April 1, 2016.

The winner from each school will be honored guests at the [Beacon of Hope Ball](#) to be held on Friday, April 22, 2016 at 6:30pm at the Albany Country Club, Voorheesville, NY.

[Please Click Here for Nomination Information](#)

## HEALTH

### [Friendly Reminder from the Nurse](#)

Students are not allowed to carry prescription or over-the counter medications (including cold medicine, tylenol, motrin etc.) while in school or at school related activities **without a physician's order and parental consent**. More information and the permission form can be found by [clicking here](#).

### [New York State Immunization Guidelines](#)

NYS now requires the Meningococcal Immunization for 7th and 12th grade students for the 2016-2017 school year.

[Please click here for more information](#)

## DRAMA - CLUBS - OTHER ACTIVITIES



### 2015-2016 Yearbook is Nearing Completion

All advertisements, family and business, are due by the **25th of March**.

Please contact [Joe McGee](#) for more information!

[Please click here to order your yearbook](#)

Thank You very much - The yearbook staff

## ATHLETICS

### **Saints Baseball and Softball Websites!**

Please check out the websites for practice and game information  
and much more

[click here for Baseball Website](#)

[click here for Softball Website](#)

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### **New York State Requirement**

If your child has signed up for a spring sport, there must be a current physical exam (within the last 12 months) on file in the nurse's office prior to the first practice. This physical must be completed by a NYS physician, physician's assistant or nurse practitioner.

A pre-participation/interval athletic form must also be completed and signed by a parent/guardian unless a physical exam was done within the past 30 days of the beginning of the sport season. This form must be given to the nurse or coach before the first practice. Additional clearance may be needed for any recent injuries or health issues.

[please click here for the pre-participation/interval athletic form](#)

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[CLICK HERE FOR THE ATHLETIC CALENDAR!](#)

Go SAINTS!



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