MOUNT MICHAEL
BENEDICTINE SCHOOL
Featuring The David "DJ" Sokol Learning For Life Building

Monthly Benedictine Value: Hospitality

Monthly Theme: Creating a Place of Welcome

Quote of the Month: "All guests who present themselves are to be welcomed as Christ."

Rule of St. Benedict 53:1

WEEKLY BULLETIN 11/08 -11/14



1. A MESSAGE FROM DR. PETERS: We are beginning a new month and with that we focus on a new theme and Benedictine value here at Mount Michael. The value for November is hospitality. The theme that goes with that is *Creating a Place of Welcome*. Within the Rule of St. Benedict, we focus on the following quote: "All guests who present themselves are to be welcomed as Christ (RB 53:1)."

As we celebrate Thanksgiving this month, we are reminded that hospitality truly begins with genuine gratitude. When we come together with family and friends, it is important that each member feels welcomed, appreciated, and loved. Many times, this can be expressed in a few words or by gestures. Our homes become places of welcome. Sometimes the greatest blessing of Thanksgiving is simply being together and enjoying the company of those around us.

Mother-Son Paint Night – This past Wednesday we hosted our 2nd annual Mother-Son Paint Knight! We had over 100 participants in the Armory. A special thank you to our art teacher, Mr. Luke Ervin, and our Director of Mission and Ministry, Mrs. Amanda Schleimer, for organizing this wonderful event and making it such a success!









2. MOUNT MICHAEL'S OPEN HOUSE: Mount Michael will host its annual Open House this Sunday, November 8th from 1:00–4:00 pm. This is one of our biggest events of the year as we welcome prospective students and families to campus. A big thank you to everyone who is volunteering to help. Your support and presence make a lasting impression on future Knights! This event plays a vital role as we look ahead to the incoming class of 2031 and beyond.

3. THANK YOU! A huge thank you to everyone who donated blood during Tuesday's blood drive. We are pleased to announce that we exceeded our goal, collecting 40 units of blood which has the potential to save 120 lives! Please mark your calendars for our next blood drive which is Tuesday, February 23rd.





4. OPERATION OTHERS:

- **Canned Good collecting:** We are collecting canned goods for Operation Others (OO), a ministry run out of Creighton Prep to give food assistance to families at Christmas. We have been asked to collect instant mashed potatoes, boxed stuffing, and gravy (no glass jars). The grade that brings in the most cans will earn a free dress down day. Please drop off your items to a classroom in your assigned hallway (Seniors—science, Juniors—math, Sophomores—history, Freshmen—theology). **All donations are due by Wednesday, November 18th.** Any students who would be willing to help deliver the cans to Prep on Friday, November 20th, please stop by and see Mrs. Schleimer.
- **Saturday, November 7th is Call-In Day**
    - Please click here to sign up for a shift. We need many to take calls in English and Spanish from 8:30 am-2:30 pm. We will enroll more than 700 families on this day.
- **Sunday, November 15th is the St. Leo's Pancake Breakfast to support OO.** This is an important fundraiser for OO. The Knights of Columbus generously host this event, but OO members are needed to help with service and clean-up. You are welcome to attend the breakfast in the Parish Center (1920 N. 102nd Street) after the 8:00 am and 10:00 am Masses. The cost will be $7 for adults, $3 for children, and $22 for families. The breakfast will include pancakes, eggs, sausage, potatoes, fruit, coffee and/or orange juice.

5. NIGHT OF KNIGHTS 2027 NEWS: Thank you to all who came out to the Night of Knights Volunteer-Info meeting on Wednesday! Please keep an eye on your email for committee meetings to get everyone on the same page! Thanks to our amazing Chairs and all who have eagerly committed to helping! It is going to be a great event! If you have any questions email Christi at crath@mountmichael.org



The Preppy Bunny - Don't miss out on our first Night of Knights event at The Preppy Bunny on Tuesday, November 10th from 5:30-8:30 pm (8730 Countryside Plaza). This is a private shopping event and 25% of the proceeds will be donated to Night of Knights!

6. FACULTY MEETING: Our next faculty meeting is Wednesday, November 11th at 7:30 am in the study hall room (S108).

7. ALL SCHOOL MASS: We will celebrate an all-school Mass on Wednesday, November 11th. All students, faculty, and staff report to the chapel at 10:01 am.

8. DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (DR) IMMERSION TRIP: Applications are now open for the DR Immersions Trip! We will be taking 10 students on an immersion trip to Santiago, Dominican Republic June 8-15, 2027, with Creighton University's ILAC Program. Students in the classes of 2028 and 2029 are eligible to apply. Applications have been sent to Mount Michael students' email, but they can also see Mrs. Schleimer for another copy.

- DR Information Session: There will be an optional information session for families and students interested in the immersion trip on Wednesday, November 11th at 6:30 pm in the Sokol Study Hall Room. Mrs. Schleimer will give an overview of the trip, application process, and answer any questions that families may have. If you are unable to make this session, Mrs. Schleimer is available to meet with students one-on-one or can connect with families via email or phone.

9. WINTER SPORTS MEETING FOR PARENTS: Our mandatory winter sports parent meeting for basketball, bowling and wrestling is scheduled for Wednesday, November 11th at 7:00 pm in the Armory.

Because we coop with Skutt Catholic for swimming and diving, their mandatory parent meeting will be held on Sunday, November 15th at 7:00 pm in the Skutt Performing Arts Center. They will meet as a large group and then break up by sport around 7:30 pm to meet with the Swim/Dive coaches in their auxiliary gym.

Winter sports practice begins on Monday, November 16th.

10. TRIVIA NIGHT: Grab your friends and get a table for our 3rd Annual Mount Michael Trivia Night on Saturday, November 14th at 6:30 pm in the gym. All proceeds raised by the Booster Club help support student athletics and activities. Spots are limited so sign up today by using the link below. Registration ends November 4th.
https://givebutter.com/MMBCTrivia2026



If you are not interested in playing trivia, but want to take part in this fun event, we need volunteers! Please email mmtrivianight@mountmichael.org, if interested.

11. FATHER – SON BANQUET: The Father-Son Banquet on November 15th is at 6:00 pm at St. Patrick Catholic Church (18602 W, Maple Rd). **To be good stewards of the school's funds, we are asking that ALL dads and sons are pre-registered! This is the only way to guarantee a seat at the event! Today is the last day to register so please click HERE to register**. This year's speaker is **Astronaut Clay Anderson,** so you don't want to miss this opportunity.

12. BOOKSTORE NEWS:

- **Hours** - The Bookstore will be open on Sunday from 1:00-4:00 pm during the Open House. The rest of the week will be normal hours.
- **Christmas Open House** - The Bookstore's annual Christmas Open House is this Wednesday, November 11th from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. See the attached flyer for sale information.
- **Long Jackets** - We have opened a store for the popular long jackets seen on the sidelines at baseball and soccer. There are 3 logo options, and these make great Christmas gifts for your favorite athlete (or anyone on the sidelines!). You can also add last name personalization. Shop at this link until Sunday, November 15th.
- **Peter Millar** - Shop the link **here** for exclusive Mount Michael logos on a few popular Peter Millar items. The store will close on Sunday, November 15th.
- **Krispy Kreme** - We also have a store available to order the Mount Michael Krispy Kreme logo. We are offering it on new items, including long sleeve tees and dri-fit (polyester) tees and hoodies. Shop the link here until Sunday, November 15th.

12. COUNSELING DEPARTMENT: Below is the current list of scheduled college representative visits.

- **Tuesday, Nov. 17th**
  - Buena Vista University from 12:00 – 1:00 pm
- **Monday, Nov. 23rd**
  - United States Military Academy – West Point (MM alum) from 9:30 - 10:30 am

13. CAMPUS MINISTRY:

- **Fall Events:**
  - **All School Masses:**
    - Wednesday, November 11
    - Tuesday, December 8
  - **Other Events:**
    - Guest Speaker: Thursday, November 19
    - Advent Reconciliation: Thursday, December 3

14. ADOPT-A-FAMILY: Each year, Mount Michael partners with the Mary Our Queen Human Needs group to "adopt" several families and provides the only Christmas gifts these families will receive. This year we have adopted seven families with a total of 49 people. Mount Michael students will participate by wrapping the gifts!

Here is how we could use your help:

🎄 Thank you to those that selected a "mitten" at conferences!

🎄 If you are still wanting to shop for gifts, check out this sign-up link for more information on opportunities to GIVE whether it is selecting one or more gifts to purchase.

🎄 You can also donate and let a committee of elves shop for you. Use the following Venmo link: https://account.venmo.com/u/Mount-Michael-School. Please write "Adopt" in the description!

- **Please return the gifts UNWRAPPED to the front desk of the Sokol Building as soon as possible, but no later than Saturday, November 14th. PLEASE INCLUDE THE MITTEN/FAMILY IDENTIFIER AND YOUR STUDENT'S LAST NAME.**

🎄 The boys will wrap the gifts during their study hall periods on November 24th. It will be helpful to have a few parents there throughout the day to oversee and assist as needed. Use this LINK to sign up!

Please reach out with any questions to Mrs. Amanda Schleimer (aschleimer@mountmichael.org).



15. HALL OF FAME: Join us for the Hall of Fame Induction Dinner on Thursday, November 19th at 6:00 pm at the Relevant Center in Elkhorn.

This year's honorees include

- Mr. Dave Hohman '83 - Alumnus of the Year
- Mr. Jim Krone '68 - Athletic Hall of Fame
- Dr. Alan Wasmoen - Alumni Appreciation Award
- 2005 Soccer Team - Athletic Hall of Fame

CLICK HERE to register!

16. SAVE THE DATE! WE WANT TO SEE YOU THERE!



17. MAHJONG AT THE MOUNT: Do you love Mahjong? Do you want to learn how to play Mahjong? Do you want to kick off the holiday season and meet some new people? **Sign up now for Mahjong at the Mount on December 1st from 6:00-9:00 pm in the Sokol library!** RSVP is required and spaces are limited.



Click on the link: https://bit.ly/mmmahjong

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(See Bound for the latest updates to our calendar.)

Sun., November 8
MM Open House in the Sokol Building – 1:00-4:00 pm
Open House One-Act Rehearsal in the Black Box Theater – 1:00-4:00 pm
Jr. Knights Practice (10U) in the gym – 5:30-7:00 pm

Mon, November 9
Prayer and Announcements in the chapel – 7:45 am
Tennis Banquet in the Armory – 6:00 pm

Tues., November 10
Night of Knights Fundraiser at The Preppy Bunny – 5:30 – 8:30 pm
Jr. Knights Practice (7th) in the gym – 6:00 pm

Wed., November 11
Faculty Meeting in Rm S108 – 7:30 am
All School Mass in the Chapel – 10:01 am
Wednesday Night Visits – 6:15 pm
Dominican Republic Immersion Trip Information Night in Rm S108 – 6:30 pm
School Board Meeting in the library – 7:00 pm
Parent Meeting for Winter Sports in the Armory – 7:00 pm

Thurs., November 12
Jr. Knights Practice (10U) in the gym – 6:30 pm
Jr. Knights Practice (8th) in the gym – 7:00 pm
One-Act Student Performance in the Black Box Theater – 7:30 pm

Fri., November 13
Cross Country Banquet in the Armory – 5:30 pm
One-Act Performance in the Black Box Theater – 7:30 pm

Sat., November 14
One-Act Performance in the Black Box Theater (Double Performance) – 3:00 pm/5:00 pm
Adopt a Family Deadline for Gifts
Booster Club Trivia Night in the gym – 6:30-9:30 pm