



Manistee Catholic Central Newsletter

March 15th, 2024

“Lent is a time for grace, a time for conversion, a time to come home to God.”

St. Maximillian Kobe

Dear MCC Parents,

At MCC, we are seeking grace and conversion and completely surrendering to our God!

Our MCC 3 C's:

- Catholic: Please join us for Mass at St. Joseph Parish on Tuesdays at 8:15 AM.
- Community: We are in this together. Thank you for your partnership.
- Curriculum: High expectations in a Christ-centered environment. A perfect combination!

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

- March is Reading Month! There will be special guests and other activities throughout the month. Also, if you have a child between 0 and 5 and haven't investigated Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, check that out here: <https://imaginationlibrary.com>
- Tuesday, March 19: Lunch brought to you by TJ's!
- Wednesday, March 20: Lunch brought to you by Doug Brindle!
- Thursday, March 21: Easter (Dinner) Lunch brought to you by Mrs. Janowiak and the 1st Grade Class!
- Thursday, March 21: K-6 **Pajama Day and READ-IN** (gym)
- Thursday, March 21: 7-12 **Aloha Shirts and Straw Hats; Book Exchange** (library)
- Friday, March 22-Monday, April 2: Spring Break
- Monday, April 1: EASTER MONDAY! NO SCHOOL!
- Friday, April 5: NO SCHOOL! PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES
- Monday-Friday, April 8-12: ACRE, SAT, ACT, and MSTEP Tests*
- Monday, April 15: PSAT 8th Grade*
- Wednesday, April 17: PSAT 9th Grade*
- Thursday, April 18: PSAT 10th Grade*

*Please avoid scheduling any appointments during the week of April 8 and April 15 due to the testing schedule. Thank you for your consideration.

During this Lenten season, Stations of the Cross will be taking place on Fridays at 6:00 pm in the church. Fr. Roman has requested up to 3 servers for each Friday Stations. If your child is able to serve, please contact Ann at Divine Mercy Parish.

In addition, Stations of the Cross will be taking place on Friday mornings during Chapel. Please join us, and thank you, Fr. Michael, for leading us through this most important journey!





For Parents of 3rd-9th Grade Students (ages 9-15)

West Shore Community College is once again offering College for Kids. This is a GREAT program over the summer months: <https://www.westshore.edu/kids-summer-programming/>

For the Class of 2024

Many scholarship opportunities have been posted on your Google Classroom. Many have early April deadlines. Please complete your applications soon for your best chance to receive the \$\$\$\$!
If you haven't already done so, please complete your FAFSA Application ASAP.



MARCH IS READING MONTH!

Did you know that reading...

Improves your concentration and your memory.



Not only should we do physical exercise to be healthy, but we also need to do some mental exercise that will push our memory and focus to the limits. Reading is the best mental exercise for us. You must remember different characters, settings, plots, twists, and connections. This will strengthen your memory and concentration because all your attention is focused on the story.

Our PreK-6th grade students had a surprise visit from Fr. Michael this week! He was our very special guest reader and read Fox in Sox (the OG of tongue twisters!) Students were also given a special Dr. Seuss bookmark for all their reading!

A very important article for parents regarding screentime:

<https://www.wordonfire.org/articles/parents-must-wake-up-to-the-dangers-of-screen-addiction/>

It is through prayer and quiet adoration that God's presence and will is known. Please join me, the clergy, and the MCC staff in committing all our prayers and petitions to God to find the peace that only He can provide. Please pray for our bishop and our priests; for our country; and for all the students, staff, and families of MCC.

Peace and All Good,
Mrs. Leslie Summers
Principal, Manistee Catholic Central
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Good luck to the elementary boys basketball team as they compete in the Masengarb Tournament this Saturday at MCC. The Saber's first game will be at 10:40am.
Go Sabers!

St. Andrew's Luncheon

All young men in grades 6-12 that are thinking about a priestly vocation are invited to this year's St. Andrews Luncheon. We are once again holding it at the Pastoral Center located at 611 West North Street. Please join Fr. Rexroat and Bishop Walsh, directly following Christ Mass on Tuesday, March 26, 2024. Priests are only invited if they are chaperoning one or more young men that are considering the priesthood. The deadline to sign up is Wednesday, March 20, 2024.

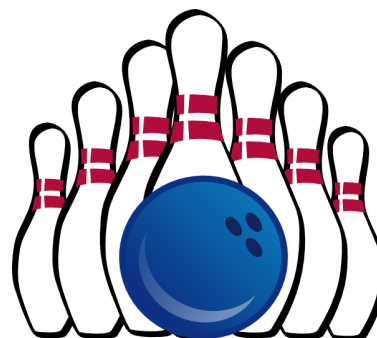
Winter Sports Banquet

Manistee Catholic Central's Athletic Department invites all Middle School, Junior Varsity, and Varsity winter sports participants and their families to attend the Winter Sports Awards and Dessert on Thursday, April 4, 2024, at 6pm in the MCC cafeteria.

We will honor the following teams:

- Middle School Volleyball
- Varsity Volleyball
- Middle School Boys Basketball
- JV/Varsity Boys Basketball
- Varsity Girls Basketball
- Varsity Boys/Girls Bowling

We ask families to bring a dessert to share. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Collin Thompson at 723-2529 ext. 206



MCCAA Easter Polish Sausage Sale



Easter Polish Sausage Sale Fundraiser! **Orders will be accepted until Friday, March 22 by 3 p.m.** The cost is \$6.00 per pound.

Orders may be made by calling the school office @ 723-2529 during school hours up until March 22nd. **NOTE!** There is no school due to Spring Break the following week, so be sure to call and order by the 22nd! Or you may make your order online here:

<https://forms.office.com/r/CAa5Txovxn>

Orders will be ready for pick up on: Friday, March 29th from 2 p.m.-6 p.m. and Saturday, March 30th from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

MCC KITCHEN CLUB

Hot lunch available the week of March 18th-22nd

A \$3 donation is encouraged and appreciated!

TUESDAY MARCH 19th

CHICKEN ALFREDO



Brought to you by TJ's Pub

WEDNESDAY MARCH 20th

**CHEESE OR
PEPPERONI PIZZA**



Brought to you by Doug Brindle

THURSDAY MARCH 21st

EASTER DINNER



Ham, mac n' cheese, corn, & dessert

Brought to you by 1st Grade and
Mrs. J



West Shore ESD Great Start Collaborative, Great Start Family Coalition, Lakeshore Mama & Me Expo Present a...



Spring Break Book Walk

We're Going on a Bear Hunt
Michael Rosen Helen Oxenbury



National Bestseller—More Than One Million Copies Sold

You're invited!

Join us to connect with the individuals who can provide support during the early years of parenthood and enjoy an indoor book walk as a family.

**Saturday, March 23rd, 2024
anytime from 10am-1pm**

This event is held in conjunction with the Lakeshore Mama & Me Expo.


**The walk will take place inside of
the Ludington Elementary School**

The First 100 families receive a Grab & Go bag and a book FREE for participation.

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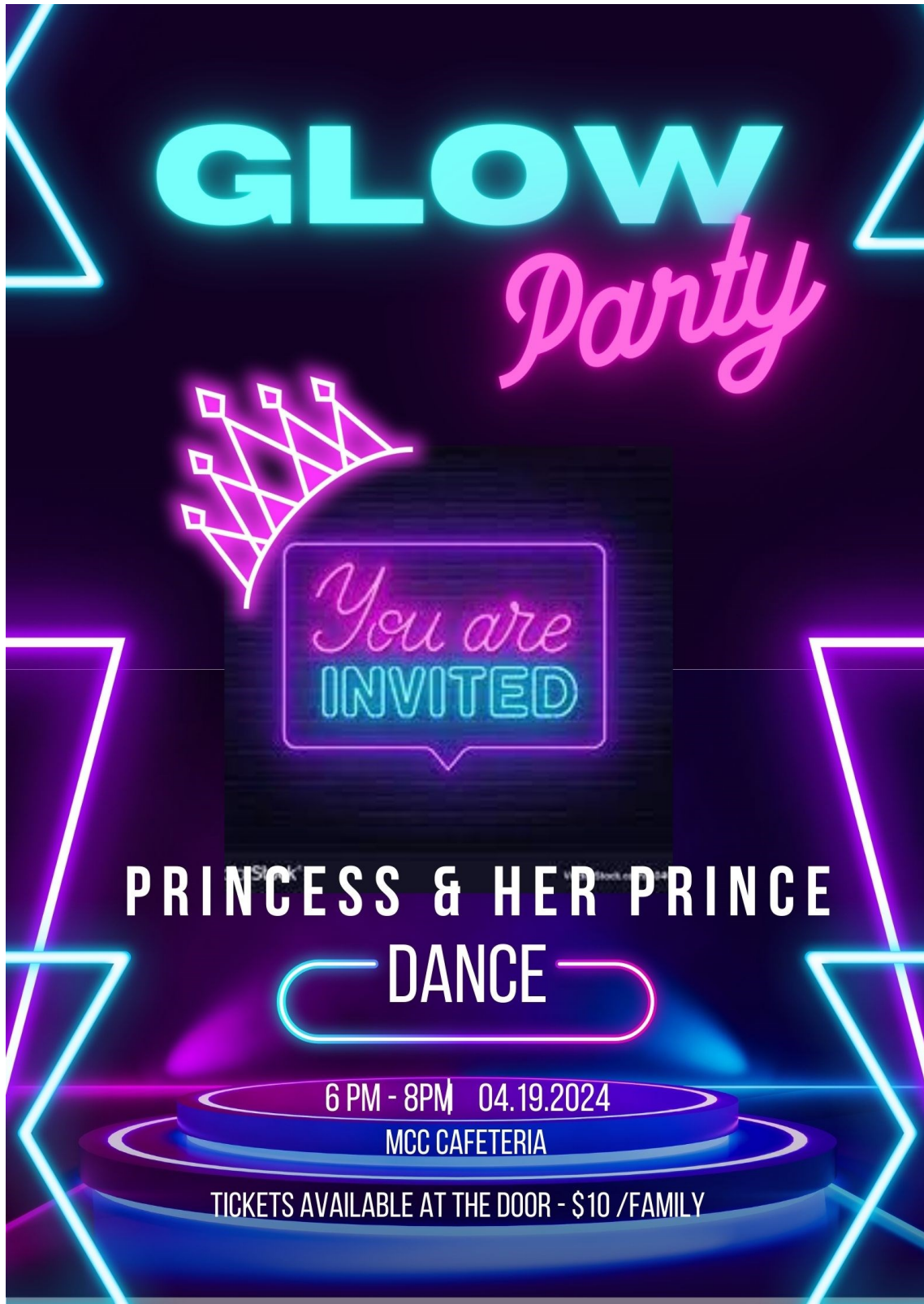
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Look around. Do
you spot a bear?



Enjoy the wonder of a book walk and the fun activities together.





Save the Date! The Princess and her Prince Dance will be held on Saturday, April 19th. All girls in grades Preschool—12th are invited to attend. Formal invitations will be sent home before spring break as well as a volunteer sign-up sheet for help with decorating, chaperoning, and clean up.

On behalf of Benzie & Manistee 4-H:

Please share with your students and families, ages 13-17:

The Michigan 4-H Animal and Veterinary Science Camp is a pre-college program held at Michigan State University (MSU) in partnership with MI 4-H Youth Development, MSU Department of Animal Science and MSU College of Veterinary Medicine. Youth explore fields and careers relating to animal science and veterinary medicine, visit MSU farms and facilities, and participate in numerous hands-on learning activities.

The 2024 information packet can be found on the website: <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-animal-and-veterinary-science-camp-2024>

What's New for 2024

There are several big changes this year. Here are the highlights:

- To better meet demands and engage more youth in this experience, this camp has been shortened and will be offered twice as a two-day day camp. Lodging will be the responsibility of the participant's family. Youth can attend either July 8-9 or July 10-11. There are 120 total spots available compared to the 50 spots available for previous camps.

- o We will have hotel room block options available for registrants at a later date.

Out-of-state youth can join the waitlist and will be welcome to register if Michigan youth do not fill all the spots by the deadline.

We will not be collecting applications this year. **Registration will open to all youth on April 1. Even with the increased capacity, we expect it to fill very quickly.**

Local Scholarships are Available!

Social Media Text – see attached graphic, too

Drum roll, please! The information you've been waiting for is now available! You can find an information packet all about this year's 4-H Animal and Veterinary Science Camp on our website: <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-animal-and-veterinary-science-camp-2024>

Registration will open on that same website on April 1st at noon.