



# AHS PARENT CONNECTION

## KEEPING YOU INFORMED January 17, 2020



**Mission:** *To inspire excellence and personal growth grounded in Catholic principles and tradition*  
**Vision:** *A community of academic excellence, Catholic in spirit and culture, nurturing integrity and respect.*

### Dates to remember:

- Jan. 17: Boys Basketball vs Auburndale 4:30/5:45
- Jan. 18: Girls Basketball vs Pacelli 3:00/5:45  
Boys Basketball vs Pacelli 4:30/7:15
- Jan. 20: Girls Basketball @ Edgar
- Jan. 24: Girls Basketball @ Prentice 5:45/7:17  
Boys Basketball @ Prentice 5:45/7:15
- Jan. 26: Beginning of Catholic Schools Week

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

2020/2021 Course Registration

Feb. 3: Current 9th / 10th grade

5:15-6:15 (Library)

Current 1th grade

Will schedule individually with Miss Ahens

Feb.4: Girls Basketball vs Neillsville

Boys Basketball @ Newman

Feb. 6: Girls Basketball vs Athens

Feb. 7: Boys Basketball vs Athens

Feb. 10: Royals Parent Meeting 6 pm

Registration 2020/2021

Current 8th graders 5:00-6:00

### FROM THE DESK OF FATHER BECKER: The Radical Remedy

Often I look back at my high school years and laugh at all the dumb stuff I did. One such not so smart thing I did was stop taking doctor proscribed medicine for some sort of cold I had. This cold or flu or whatever it was, was going around the school and many of my classmates caught it. Doctor visits ensued, and medicine was prescribed to my classmates and me. Mistakenly I thought I was invincible and so did a few friends of mine. We thought we didn't need medicine to get better because we were tough. Not surprisingly, my friends and I remained sick while my classmates got over their colds. Thankfully, this boneheaded idea to refuse a remedy didn't have any lasting repercussions.

Since all of my classmates were on the same medicine and only some kids were cured of their illness and others weren't, someone could have reasonably said that the medicine wasn't effective. Someone could even have said that the medicine was just a placebo and of no consequence. However, this would have been a foolish conclusion. The kids who felt better actually took the medicine while those who remained sick didn't. It appeared as though the remedy didn't work evidenced by the kids still sick, however their refusal to take the remedy didn't mean the remedy was useless or fictitious. The medicine was a legitimate remedy for the cold. Some (myself included) just refused to take it.

As Catholics, we know that Jesus is our savior and that He left us His Church. By way of the Church, we receive Jesus's sacraments. Another way of putting it may be Jesus saves us through the ministry of His Church. Jesus prescribes the remedy for our sins through His Church most especially through the seven sacraments. We know with absolute certainty that the remedy is effective because Jesus, the Divine Physician, says so. If we partake of the remedy He offers, He will save us.

Unfortunately, there are people who have refused to take the remedy. More unfortunate and infuriating are those who knew the effectiveness of the remedy and refused it anyway. Here I specifically speak of Catholic priests who abused children. What they did was a disgusting crime and extremely damaging to their victims. In the face of such evils committed by leaders of the Catholic Church, it would be easy to say, "Well that institution is sinful and hypocritical. I'm going to walk away." I get the sentiment. The anger and sadness I experience because of this is almost too much to bear. However, we must remember that these priests' refusal of Christ's remedy, the Church He left us, *does not* render the remedy ineffective. It just means they refused it.

I write this article this week because this weekend the Diocese of La Crosse will be releasing all the names of priests from our Diocese of La Crosse who refused this remedy and committed awful crimes against young people. This is an effort on the part of the Diocese of La Crosse to be as transparent as possible. My plea to you is that you do not leave the Catholic Church in response to these revelations. Christ has prescribed His remedy for our sins, Himself. We receive Him and His power through the sacraments He has given His Church. Please do not stop taking the remedy for your sickness just because some people refused to take it. Remember our faith is in Jesus, *not* human beings. If we continue to take the radical remedy prescribed by Christ and remain faithful to Him, there will be eternal effects, life everlasting in Heaven.



Kylie Kronstedt, junior, is in her First season with the Fond du Lac Blades Junior team. This team Has been named to Team USA for the 2019-2020 season.

They will be representing the United States internationally at the

Leon Lurje Trophy 2020 in Goteborg, Sweden from January 24-25, 2020. Kylie will be traveling to Sweden January 20—27th for this skating competition.. We are very proud of Kylie, wish her the best at this competition along with prayers for safe travels.



SATURDAY: HOOPS N' SCOOPS 4:—8 PM

### **Please return on Monday the following:**

Special busing slip enclosed

Permission slip for student appreciation day enclosed

\$5.00 - UNLIMITED PIZZA, FRENCH FRIES, SODA OPTION -

Otherwise they must bring their own lunch.

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS TURNED IN THIS FORM AND PAID FOR THE LUNCH OPTION.**

# STUDENT LIFE AT AHS—WELCOME 2020 & SECOND SEMESTER



Members from the Assumption Service Club wrapped and delivered presents from our Giving Tree to a local nursing home this past week. Thanks to the generosity from our school families, we were able to provide a small present to over 50 different residents! Thank you so much for taking the time to purchase a small gift for someone in need this holiday season.



Winter Symposium Classes

Co-Curricular Project Based Team Teaching Technology Infused Making Memories

