



PRINCIPAL'S PAGE

March 18, 2026

Dear St. Celestine School Families,

As we journey through this Lenten season toward the joy of Easter, we invite you and your families to take part in the special opportunities for prayer and celebration at our parish and school.

Easter and Labyrinth Schedule

HOLY WEEK – LABYRINTH – March 29 through April 3

- In the Gym and Annex at St. Celestine from Palm Sunday to Good Friday.
- **Palm Sunday, March 29** from 12 Noon to 5 PM – **March 30 through April 2** from 4 PM to 9 PM – **Good Friday, April 3** from 9 AM to 9 PM
- [**MORE INFORMATION**](#)

MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK – March 30

- **Parish Reconciliation Service** at 7 PM at St. Celestine
- [**MORE INFORMATION**](#)

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK – April 1

- **Taizé Prayer** at 7 PM at St. Cyprian
- [**MORE INFORMATION**](#)

HOLY THURSDAY – April 2

- 8 AM – Morning Prayer at St. Cyprian
- 7 PM – Mass of the Lord's Supper at St. Celestine, followed by Church Visits

GOOD FRIDAY – April 3

- 8 AM – Morning Prayer at St. Celestine
- 3 PM – Good Friday Service at St. Cyprian
- 7 PM – Shadow Stations at St. Celestine

HOLY SATURDAY – April 4

- 8 AM – Morning Prayer at St. Cyprian
- 11 AM – Easter Basket Blessing at St. Cyprian
- 12 Noon – Easter Basket Blessing at St. Celestine
- 7:30 PM – Easter Vigil at St. Celestine

EASTER SUNDAY – April 5

- 7:30 AM – Mass at St. Celestine
- 9 AM – Mass at St. Cyprian
- 11 AM – Mass at St. Celestine
- 11:30 AM – Mass at St. Cyprian

5Essentials Survey Incentive

The annual 5Essentials Parent Survey is an important way for you to share feedback that guides our ongoing improvement efforts. If we reach a **30% parent participation rate**, the entire school will enjoy an **Out of Uniform Day on Monday, April 20!** Please take a few minutes to complete the survey today—your voice truly makes a difference. **The deadline for completion is March 20.** This survey informs the school as to what is working and should continue and what may require additional attention. The survey link is:

<http://survey.5-essentials.org/archchicago/survey/parent/>

“Dancing Through the Decades” Gala – March 21

Our biggest celebration of the year is just around the corner! Join us on **Saturday, March 21** for our *Dancing Through the Decades Gala*—an evening of fun, fellowship, and fundraising in support of our students. Come dressed to represent your favorite decade and enjoy dinner, music, and great company. Tickets are on sale now—don't miss this great night for a great cause!

Service Hours Reminder

Please remember that the mandatory 14 hours of service per family must be completed by the end of May. Letters with totals thus far will be shared with families upon the return from Easter break. Hours are valued at \$25/ hour and charges will be added to FACTS accounts for any time not completed.

Thank you, as always, for your continued partnership and support of our school mission. Together, we make our community strong and vibrant.

With Gratitude,

Sheila M. Klich
Principal

Celtics VOLLEYBALL

PACK THE GYM

THURSDAY
MARCH 19

5pm- 4th grade
6pm- 6th grade
7pm- 7th grade
8pm- 8th grade



Let the
games
begin!

Come cheer on
our Celtics for
their last home
game as we
honor our 8th
graders



Queen of Hearts

The search has begun!

Tickets are being sold
at drop off and pick up!

Next Drawing on March 25, 2026!

Over \$2,775.00 in the pot!

**Drawings are held on Wednesday
afternoons, and videos of them
are posted on Facebook.**

Watch for a Facebook Video!

St. Celestine School



SCS ATHLETICS



PRESENTS

SOCCER

Instructional

\$60

PER PERSON

YOUTH AGE

K-3RD

APRIL 14,

21, 28

K-1ST: 5-6PM

2ND-3RD: 6-7P

CLICK HERE TO

REGISTER



Dancing through the Decades

Saturday March 21st

6:00 PM to 10:30 PM

Elmcrest Banquets

7370 Grand Ave Elmwood Park, IL 60707

It's a night out for St. Celestine Friends and Family!

Guests 21 years and older will enjoy an **OPEN BAR** and **DINNER**, including appetizers, soup, salad, main course, and dessert!

ENTERTAINMENT includes dancing, raffle baskets, silent auction, and so much more!

Come as you are OR dress in styles from your favorite decade!

TICKETS \$85 PER PERSON

Early Bird Specials before March 12th:

Tickets \$75 per person OR Table of 10 for \$700!

Round up your ticket to contribute to the SCS Faculty & Staff ticket pool!

Name: _____ # of Guest Tickets: _____

Email: _____

Student Name: _____ Grade/Classroom #: _____

Total Enclosed \$: _____ cash check # _____

Send order form with cash or checks to *St. Celestine Parents' Club* in envelope labeled **Dancing thru the Decades**

of Tickets: _____

Total: \$ _____

Cash Check #

_____ SCS Family

Name: _____ Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____ Classroom #: _____

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SILENT AUCTION



www.SCSGala.com

Bidding Closes March 21st 9:30 pm



ANNOUNCING ST. CELESTINE SCHOOL'S SILENT AUCTION

St. Celestine School and Parents' Club has a long standing tradition of hosting an annual benefit to support our school and school programming. With financial support from [Ross Cannatello, Sotheby's International Real Estate Professional](#), we are able to once again offer our digital silent auction. Check out this year's SILENT AUCTION by clicking on the link below! Bidding is open now and will close Saturday, March 21 at 9:30 pm!

www.SCSGala.com

To bid: Simply create an account by pressing the Login button in the top right corner of your screen. You will then be able to bid on any item, view item statuses and process payment for items you have won.

To be notified when you are outbid: Press the account button on the top right corner (little person) and select "subscribe SMS". Then, turn both options on and enter your mobile phone number. If you are accessing the site from a mobile device, this option will be present when you create your account.

A few notes:

- **All bids are final:** There is no way to remove a bid once it is placed.
- **Items will not be shipped.** Items will be available the evening of the event or in the week that follows for pick up. Arrangements will be made by contacting:
parentsclub@stcelestineschool.org
- **Visit the auction site often as new items are added on a regular basis.**

If you would like to support the organization by donating any last minute items for the auction, please contact parentsclub@stcelestineschool.org.

We hope you enjoy this year's selections!

St. Celestine Parents' Club

Dancing through the Decades

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Sign Up Here:

<https://signup.com/go/GHxdkPK>

**SPOTS AVAILABLE
FRIDAY, MARCH 20th &
SATURDAY, MARCH 21st**



PASTA DINNER

MARCH 27 5-7 PM

St. Celestine Gym and Annex

Adults \$15
\$7 for students



Adults pick 3 of 4 entrees: house pasta, guest restaurant pasta, pizza, and salad bar; with bread , coffee, and dessert. Students pick two entrees and dessert.

St. Mother Theodore Guerin Parish Pasta Dinner

We will host our last parish Lenten Dinner with a Pasta Dinner on Friday, March 27 from 5 PM to 7 PM in the Annex and Gym at St. Celestine.

Dinner includes your choice of three of the four entrees: a house pasta, a restaurant pasta, pizza slice, and a salad bar, with bread and butter, coffee, and dessert. Students may choose two entrees and a dessert. Assorted cold drinks and beer and wine will be available for purchase. To go containers will also be available.

Adults: \$15 – Students: \$7 (two entrees and dessert)

BAKERS NEEDED – We will need baked goods for the desserts. Please drop them off at the Pastoral Center on the Thursday before the dinners. We also need: 12 oz. cans of Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite, Diet Sprite and 16–20 oz. bottled water. Cash or checks made out to St. Mother Guerin Parish are helpful for purchasing the paper supplies we will need.

Thank you to all our volunteers who made the first two dinners so successful!



 **St. Celestine School** 
 **Celtic Spirit Wear Sale!** 

Show your Celtic pride this season with official St. Celestine Spirit Wear!

From classic favorites to fresh new styles, there's something for everyone to represent our school in style. Be sure to check out the **NEW Spring Exclusive Line**

This is the last Spirit Wear sale of the year!!

 **Sale Dates:**

Opens: *Wednesday, March 11th*

Closes: *Wednesday, March 25th*

 **Shop here:**

 <https://stcelestinespring26.itemorder.com/shop/sale/>

Don't miss out — once the store closes, orders can't be accepted!

All orders will be delivered to student homerooms

St. Celestine Athletic Board

TRACK AND FIELD



2026 TRACK AND FIELD REGISTRATION

4-8TH GRADE

Season begins 3/30

[Click here](#) or scan QR [to register](#)
Registration closes 3/23. No late
registrations will be accepted
\$80/season





St Celestine

6-8TH GRADE

Girls Flag

Football

JOIN US FOR OUR

INAUGURAL SEASON

Serious interest only. No charge to sign up. If there is enough interest, there will eventually be \$75 which includes uniform

[Click here to register](#)



St Celestine Girls Volleyball HOME Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>vs</u>
22-Jan	Thursday	5pm	5th	St Ferdinands
		6pm	6th	St Ferdinands
		7pm	7th	St Ferdinands

28-Jan	Wednesday	5pm	7th	MSW
		6pm	4th	MSW
		7pm	5th	MSW
		8pm	6th	MSW

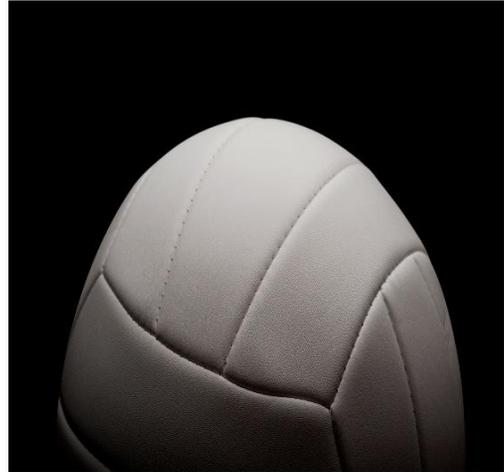
3-Feb	Tuesday	5pm	4th	St Eugene
		6pm	5th	St Eugene
		7pm	7th	St Eugene
		8pm	8th	St Eugene

18-Feb	Wednesay	5pm	4th	SMOW
		6pm	6th	SMOW
		7pm	7th	SMOW
		8pm	8th	SMOW

26-Feb	Thursday	4:30pm	4th	SMA
		5:30pm	5th	SMA
		6:30pm	6th	SMA
		7:30pm	7th	SMA
		8:30pm	8th	SMA

6-Mar	Friday	5pm	6th	SRB
		6pm	4th	SRB
		7pm	7th	SRB
		8pm	8th	SRB

19-Mar	Thursday	5pm	4th	SPC
		6pm	6th	SPC
		7pm	7th	SPC
		8pm	8th	SPC



We Need You!

FOR ST. CELESTINE PARENTS CLUB

Please consider volunteering with
St. Celestine Parents' Club next year!

Open positions (2 year term) include:

President

Secretary

Fundraising Activity Coordinator

Open positions (1 year term) include:

Vice President

Those interested in an open position will share their
interest at the March Parents' Club meeting.

Interested candidates should email:

parentsclub@stelestineschool.org



**You're invited
to join**

**Girl
Scouts** 

Is your daughter interested in joining
Girl Scouts at St. Celestine School?

Girls in Kindergarten through 12th grade learn life skills,
explore the world, and try new things!

Complete an interest form: bit.ly/JoinSCSGirlScouts
and a troop leader will be in touch!

Questions? Contact girlscouts@stcelestineschool.org



Daisy
K-1

Brownies
2-3

Juniors
4-5

Cadettes
6-8

Seniors
9-10

Ambassadors
11-12

Be amazing. Be unstoppable. Be a Girl Scout!



Girl Scouts @ St. Celestine

2025-2026

September

- Troop Meeting(s)
- All Scout Hike: 9/13 9:00 am
- Scout Mass: 9/28 11:00 am
- Back to Scouting Bash: 9/28
12:00 - 2:00 pm

October

- Troop Meeting(s)
- Daddy Daughter Date Night: 10/18
3:30 - 5:30 pm
- Scout Mass: 10/26 11:00 am

November

- Butter Braid Fundraiser 11/3 to 12/5
- Troop Meeting(s)

December

- Troop Meeting(s)
- Butter Braid Pick Up: 12/13 2:00 pm
- Scout Mass: 12/14 11:00 am
- Community Tree Trim: 12/14
12:00 - 1:30 pm

January

- Girl Scout Lock-in:
1/9 6:00 pm - 1/10 8:00 am
- Troop Meeting(s)
- Scout Mass: 1/25 11:00 am

February

- Troop Meeting(s)
- World Thinking Day: 2/21
- Scout Mass: 2/22 11:00 am

March

- Troop Meeting(s)
- Scout Sunday: 3/7 & 3/8
- Girl Scout Birthday Bash: 3/8
12:00 - 2:00 pm
- Girl Scout Birthday: 3/12
- Scout Mass: 3/22 11:00 am

April

- Troop Meeting(s)
- Scout Mass: 4/26 11:00 am
- All Scout Earth Day Celebration: 4/26
12:00 - 2:00 pm

May

- Troop Meeting(s)
- St. Celestine Girl Scout Banquet:
5/20 6:00 pm Allegra Banquets

June/July

- Scout Mass & Pinning Ceremony: 6/7
11:00 am
- Feed My Starving Children: 6/10 7:00
pm
- 4th of July Parade

Additional Service Unit 401 & Girl Scout GCNWI Council events available as well!



JOIN PACK

4690

PACK 4690 WELCOMES EVERYONE

Saint Celestine Pack 4690 proudly provides our community with a safe, supportive environment for children K-5th grade to develop character through the Cub Scout Principles, learn life skills, serve our community, make new friends, and have great adventures!



Pack 4690 welcomes all children and their families from our area. Our pack currently has scouts from Elmwood Park, Chicago, River Grove, and beyond!

**FILL OUT THE FORM ON THE
LINK BELOW OR
CONTACT US DIRECTLY
FOR MORE INFORMATION**



JASON MESKE

Cubmaster
pack4690.info@gmail.com

MONTHLY EVENTS

- Den Meeting
- Pack Night
- Scout Mass
- Hike or Pack Outing



SPECIAL EVENTS

Rain Gutter Regatta
Pinewood Derby
Rocket Launch
Bowling Outing
Fundraising
Blue & Gold Banquet

Cubs Game
Lock-In
Summer Picnic
4th of July Parade
Camping
And More!

DEN MEETINGS

Scouts work together with their age group to participate in activities and work on projects that are related to an adventure. Their accomplishments help them learn the skills they need to progress in rank.



PACK NIGHTS

The pack meeting brings all of the dens in the pack together for the purpose of recognizing scout achievements, communicating information about upcoming events, and providing a program that enriches the scouting experience.



FAMILY HIKES

Scouts explore nature preserves, trails, and more with their families as a pack once a month.



SCOUT MASSES



JOIN AT ANY AGE



Kindergarten



1st Grade



2nd Grade



3rd Grade



4th Grade



5th Grade

LEARN & GROW TOGETHER



Pushmobile Derby Race



Service Opportunities



Rain Gutter Regatta



Pinewood Derby



Field Trips



Rocket Launch



Family Bowling



Parish Events



Cubs Game

ON MY HONOR I WILL DO MY BEST TO DO MY DUTY TO GOD AND MY COUNTRY AND TO OBEY THE SCOUT LAW: TO HELP OTHER PEOPLE AT ALL TIMES; TO KEEP MYSELF PHYSICALLY STRONG, MENTALLY AWAKE, AND MORALLY STRAIGHT.