

To: Parents, Guardians, and 8th Grade Students:
 From: Miss Jennifer Blecka



8th Grade Important Events & Information 2023-2024

~Updated 2/20/24~

DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION	NOTES
Feb. 2024	Finish Your Confirmation Hours	x	x	*By now you should have finished all 20 of your volunteer Confirmation hours. If not, you have until the end of this month! No later!
Tues. 2/27/24	Confirmation Faith Group Meeting (mandatory for students)	7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	St. Robert Church (Kernaghan Hall)	*Candidates must attend these monthly meetings to be Confirmed. -Sister Anna directs these meetings. Dress casual.
Wed. 2/28/24	8th Grade Popcorn Fundraiser Orders & Payments Due Today!!! (No later!)	x	x	*Have students submit all popcorn orders and payments to Miss Blecka this day or earlier. She will place the order in, and popcorn delivery/pick-up day will be Thursday, 3/21/24 from 3-4 p.m. in the Breezeway entrance.
Thurs. 2/29/24	Report Cards Out – Trimester 2	x	x	*Please sign report card envelope and keep report card at home.
Sat. 3/9/24	Confirmation Retreat (mandatory)	12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	St. Robert Church (Kernaghan Hall)	*All Candidates making the Sacrament of Confirmation must attend this retreat. Dress casual.
WEDNESDAY 3/13/24 *NEW DATE!	Confirmation Practice, Prayer, and Confession with Sponsors! *Mandatory	7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	St. Robert Church	*Candidates will have practice/rehearsal for Confirmation. They will also have prayer & Confession. Sponsors must attend this event. Dress casual.

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Sun. 3/17/24	The Sacrament of Confirmation Mass	3:00 p.m. (Students & Sponsors must arrive by 2:30 p.m.)	St. Robert Church	*This is the actual day of Confirmation. Students and Sponsors must dress very nicely for this event. Students and Sponsors should arrive at the church by 2:30 p.m.
Thurs. 3/21/24	POPCORN PICK-UP DAY! YAY!	3:00 – 4:00 P.M.	SCS Breezeway Entrance	*The popcorn will be delivered today. The 8 th grade students and I will organize the orders and they will be ready for pick-up at the Breezeway entrance at 3p.m.
3/29/24 – 4/5/24	Easter/Spring Break	x	x	<i>*Happy Easter!</i>
Mon. 4/8/24	School Resumes	x	SCS	*School resumes regularly at 8a.m.
Tues. 4/9/24	Confirmation Faith Group Meeting (mandatory)	7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	St. Robert Church (Kernaghan Hall)	*Candidates' last monthly meeting. Today is a celebration/party for the Candidates who received the Sacrament of Confirmation. -Sister Anna directs these meetings. Dress casual.
April 2024	8 th Grade Chocolate Covered Pretzel Sale (or something else we come up with)	*During school/lunch	St. Constance School	*This is one more fundraiser for the 8 th grade to bring costs down for their trip and graduation fees. *More details coming later.
Thurs. 4/11/24	Mid-Trimester 3 Progress Reports Go Out	x	x	*Please sign one copy and have your child return it to Miss Blecka. Keep one copy at home.
Fri. 5/10/24	8th Grade Ribbon Mass	12:45 p.m. Mass	St. Constance Church	*This Mass marks the beginning of the student's journey to graduation. Parents/family are encouraged to attend since they will have a part in the Mass as well. *Students must dress very nicely for this event.

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Mon. 5/13/24	May Crowning Mass with the 2nd Grade	9:00 a.m. Mass	St. Constance Church	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *We share this Mass with the 2nd grade students as we crown Mary, the Mother of Christ. *Parents/family are encouraged to attend. *Students must dress nicely for this event and wear their graduation gown to this Mass (not the cap).
Thurs. 5/16/24	8th Grade Class Trip!	8:00 a.m. – 6:45 p.m.	Bus pickup and drop off at SCS	*More information and details about this will come out soon... along with your discounted prices after the popcorn fundraiser.
Tues. 5/21/24	8 th Grade Graduation Fees are Due!	x	x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *More information and details about this will come out later. Payments are accepted in either cash or checks made out to <i>St. Constance School</i>. *This covers the cost of caps, gowns, diplomas, and other graduation items.
Fri. 5/31/24	Last Full Day of School for 8 th GRADE ONLY!	x	x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Last day of school for 8th grade only. *Please return any textbooks to the school. *Students will clean out desks & lockers. *Miss Blecka treats the class to lunch! 😊 *We will have graduation practice in the church during school hours. *This day they will receive their report cards.
Sat. 6/1/24	GRADUATION MASS & CEREMONY!	12:00 p.m. Mass (students should be there at 11:30 a.m.)	St. Constance Church	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Students should dress very nicely *Wear your cap, gown, & tassel *Be at the back of the church at 11:30 a.m. *We will have the Mass first and the Graduation Ceremony after Mass is over *Pictures with family & friends after the ceremony *More information will come out later for this day

NOTES:

*Some of these dates or times (like Confirmation meetings) might be tentative and change. Please watch for email blasts or my website for any new updates/changes. Some things might be added as well.

*If you have questions, please contact me at jblecka@stconstanceschool.org or jblecka39@gmail.com

*If you have questions about the Sacrament of Confirmation, it is best that you contact Sister Anna at (773) 934-7593

Thank you,
Miss Jennifer Blecka