



The Bulldog Bugle

St. Bartholomew Catholic School

September 4th, 2026

Living Our Mission & Vision:

Meeting Accreditation Goals and Updating Our Parent-Student Handbook

Following last year's Lumen Accreditation visit, one of our key goals was to refine our Mission and Vision statements to articulate the heart of our school, while also updating our Parent-Student Handbook to reflect these principles. The School Advisory Committee and our teachers helped with the Mission and Vision statements. We are thrilled to share that both of these labors of love have been completed! Our new Mission Statement affirms that St. Bartholomew Catholic School exists to transform lives through faith and learning. We invite students to encounter God's presence, equip them with intellectual tools and virtues for excellence, and inspire them to a lifetime of service and witness to the Truth. Complementing this, our Vision Statement charges us to cultivate a vibrant community of faithful scholars and virtuous leaders who illuminate the world through truth, wisdom, and service.

Our updated Parent-Student Handbook is more than a list of guidelines; it is the practical roadmap for bringing our mission and vision to life every day. Throughout the handbook, you will see our mission in action:

- Faith & Encounter: Our commitment to daily prayer, Mass, and sacramental preparation ensures students encounter God's presence as the core of their development.
- Intellectual Tools & Virtues: Policies like our integrated curriculum and restricted smart device usage create a focused learning environment that fosters deep wisdom and moral virtues.
- Service & Leadership: Our behavior expectations, dress code, and volunteer traditions encourage students and families to model virtuous leadership and reflect Christ's love to the broader community.

We invite all families to review the newly revised handbook as we embark on a school year rooted in truth, excellence, and shared faith.

[Click Here for 2026-2027 Parent-Student Handbook](#)



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You're Invited!

Partnering with the Principal



Please join us at the school for an all-parent meeting on **Thursday, September 10th at 6:30.**

Mrs. Vance will provide school updates, discuss goals for the year, and welcomes open discussion. This meeting will be held in the Teacher's Lounge; enter through the Playground Doors.

Before and After School Programs Are FULL!



There was an overwhelming need for before and after school care this year! At this time, we have reached our capacity in the K-5 Clubhouse and Preschool Wrap-Around-Care programs. We are blessed to start and end each day with our Bulldogs!

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Get ready for our largest community fundraiser of the year on
Friday, September 18th!

How do families participate:

- 1) Tell a friend!** This fun evening is for kids of all ages, from St. Bart's and from the larger community. All are welcome!
- 2) Sign up** for ONE volunteer spot per family - **[SIGN UP HERE!!](#)**
- 3) Bring** a package of cookies and a 6/8 pack of bottled soda or sports drinks for prizes per student (more appreciated but not required!). Drowning in stuffed animals at home? Bring your gently used and clean stuffies for prizes for the lollipop tree!

Watch for an email next Tuesday with more details.
We are grateful for your partnership in this amazing and fun event.

PICTURE DAY! Wednesday, Sept. 10



St. Bartholomew will again partner with Strawbridge Photography for this year's school photos. Individual photos will take place on Wednesday, September 9th. **Mass uniforms required that day!** A paper order sheet with information was sent home with your student earlier this week. If your preschooler does not normally attend school on Wednesdays, reach out to your preschool teacher to find a time to stop by and have their picture taken that day between 9:00am-10:30am.

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Help Us Shine at James J. Hill Days! 🌟

James J. Hill Days is right around the corner, and we'd love your help showing our community what makes St. Bart's so special! We are looking for friendly parent volunteers to represent our school and parish at the St. Bartholomew booth. It's a fun, easy way to connect with neighbors, share your love for our school, and support our community.

[Sign Up Here for a 2 hour shift](#)

SPOTS STILL OPEN...

We need just 1 more student to run this session!



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