



## Blessed Sacrament Catholic School

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### **MOVED BY THE SPIRIT!**

We have enjoyed a busy 3 weeks of school! Our theme for this school year is *Following in the Footsteps of Christ*. Our focus for the month of August was *To Follow We Must Move*. And the Holy Spirit has moved us this past month!

We opened our doors on August 14<sup>th</sup> and welcomed 108 students! Many returning families and many new families are calling BSCS home. Thank you for your support and commitment to Catholic education. We welcomed returning faculty and new faces joined our highly qualified and caring team of teachers and staff. I am inspired by the care they show our students and the knowledge they put into instruction. Our teachers embrace the call to serve others. BSCS offers more than academics ~ it reaches the heart and spirit of each student and that is the grace of a Catholic school education!

Our first school Mass was celebrated on August 15<sup>th</sup> with the Feast of the Assumption. Students from each grade participated in the Liturgy of the Word. We are blessed to have Father Alphonse celebrate Mass at school each Thursday at 9 am. We hope you will join us!

A heartfelt thanks to BSCS alum and television and Broadway performer Kyle Dean Massey and the Massey family. They hosted a benefit concert for the school on August 18<sup>th</sup>. Guests were treated to an evening of amazing talent and a one of a kind performance. Kyle Dean thanked Sister Celestine, his music teacher at BSCS, for telling him he could be anybody and do anything he set his mind and heart to! We are grateful to Kyle Dean for sharing his talents and paying it forward for the next generation!

On Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, Total Solar Eclipse Day, PTO provided Out of this World snacks and Far Out crafts for the students to enjoy during indoor recess times. Thank you PTO! A special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Brister for providing viewing glasses to the second graders and their parents. The day was a testament to the wonder and beauty of our world made possible by our God.

Mother Johanna Marie of Holy Angels Convent came to meet the students. She visited each classroom and the students greeted her with "Happy Feast Day!" She spoke to them about her vocation and shared her duties as Prioress. We are blessed to have the support and prayers of the Olivetan Benedictine Sisters.

We kicked off September with a story time visit from the Jonesboro Public Library for our PreK and KN. The library will host story time once per month at school. Fourth graders welcomed Dr. Mark Wendel for Science class where he spoke about his profession and the path that led him to Jonesboro. First Community Bank and Jonesboro Radio Group recorded the KN, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders saying the Pledge of Allegiance. Tune in to 104.9 The Fox next Tues-Thurs for a sweet, patriotic pledge!

September will keep us moving with two events that I hope your family will consider supporting, the St. Bernards Color Run and the St. Vincent de Paul Run/Walk for the Poor. Both are opportunities for families to come together to better our community.

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **September 4**

NO SCHOOL!  
Labor Day

#### **September 6**

Room Parent Meeting 6 pm

#### **September 7**

Mass with  
Rosary  
blessing

#### **September 16**

St. Bernards  
Color Run

#### **September 29**

NO SCHOOL!  
Professional  
Development  
Day in LR

#### **September 30**

St. Vincent de  
Paul Run/Walk  
for the Poor

Learning how we can help our community is an important component of education. Each day I am reminded of the many blessings our school provides. It is an honor and a calling to serve as Principal. Enjoy these moments from August that show how we were moved by the Spirit.

Mary Kay Jones, Principal *Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam ~ For the Greater Glory of God*

## MOMENTS FROM AUGUST



**Looking ahead to  
October**

**October 1**

Decommission of  
Blessed Sacrament  
Church 11 am

**October 6**

NO SCHOOL-  
Teacher Work Day

**October 7**

Fall Festival ~  
Carnival 10 am-4 pm

**October 19 & 20**

Parent/Teacher  
Conferences –  
dismiss 1:30 pm



Come Holy Spirit,  
lead me, guide me,  
encourage me, and  
challenge me. Help  
me choose the path  
of Jesus. Amen.