



The Rising Star Newsletter

St. Benedict the Moor “Dayton Strong”

Due to the devastation of the Memorial Day (May 27, 2019) tornados last school year ended a week early. Several teachers especially grade 5 instructor Mrs. Sims experienced structural damage to their homes. Many students’ families and several staff members had no electricity or water for a week or more. Dayton Public School buses were not operating; therefore, most of the Dayton and Trotwood area schools were also closed. St. Benedict the Moor Catholic School was blessed and spared away from destruction, except the city of Dayton issued a water alert shortage.

Walking the hallways of this 95 year old building, 159 Dayton strong students in grades K thru 7 on August 15, 2019 entered St. Benedict the Moor Catholic School. On August 26 twelve pre-kindergartners joined the student body for a total of 171 students for the 2019—2020 school year.

Under the guidance of Fr. Francis Tandoh, C.S.Sp., pastor of St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church and Principal Debra Johnson the school has been flourishing with enthusiasm. The theme that will represent the goal of this whole school is RESPECT for oneself and to others.



Special Points of Interest

- Family Engagement Night on Tuesday, September 10 . Dinner served at 5:30 pm followed by BINGO games from 6:00 –7:00 pm. Sponsored by ECHO
- Quarter 1 ends October 18
- Parent/Teacher Conferences held on Thursday, October 24 NO SCHOOL
- Friday, October 25 Staff Professional Development Day NO SCHOOL for students
- St. Benedict the Moor Church at 519 Lisicum Drive in Dayton, OH will have a “Football,,Wing & Waffle” event on Sunday, Sept.29 from 1:00-4:00pm dinners are \$10. ...On Sunday, October 13 a Chili Cook-off” from 1:00—3:00 pm ...Plus a raffle of cash money Price per ticket is \$5.00

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Fr. Francis Tandoh, C.S.Sp < Pastorial Leader

Debra Johnson< Principal	Rosalind Adkins < Grade 6	Victoria Repko<Speech
Janice Kwofie <Business Manager	Laura Lewis <Grade 7	Ronnesha Murphy<Pre-K Helper
Jackie Long,<Business Manager	Kelly Snyder <Art	Toya Long<School Assistant
Sr. Lakesha Church< Religion	Jackie Layne< Computer	Dana Pearson<Title One
Sheila Lee<Kindergarten	Victoria Sample <Music	Susan Chalecki<Title One
Elaine Sullivan<Grade 1	Ann Johnson< Physical Education	Mr. Foster<Building Assistant
Misty Patterson<Grade 2	Gina Cristiano <ECHO Counselor	Claire Riggan<ECHO
Lakitta Campbell <Grade 3	Michelle Sherman <Family Advocate	Laura Rutledge<Pre K
Kimberlyn Fadare<Grade 4	Bill Tanner<Building Manager	Felicia Elam < Office Assistant
Carol Sims <Grade 5	KC Moore<Cafeteria Manager	



National Diaper Need Awareness Week Give-A-Way!

To observe National Diaper Need Awareness Week (September 23 – 29), Gem City Gives (GCG) will be giving out a pack of diapers to new mothers, families expecting a newborn, and in addition will be bringing awareness of "diaper need" to the community. Information will also be distributed concerning our new Sibling classes and volunteer opportunities to earn undergarments for your child, which will be offered twice a year beginning in January 2020.

Location: Northwest Recreation Center

Address: 1600 Princeton Drive, Dayton,
Ohio 45406

Date: September 25, 2019
(Date of diaper distribution)

Special Note:

Only diaper sizes **NB, 1, and 2** will be available to families.

Parents must pick up the diapers.

Do not send relatives in your place unless it's approved by the Executive Director.

Families receiving diapers must be on **WIC, public assistance, low income, or have a child with a disability**. Please be sure to bring **proof**, e.g. your WIC card or any document that fits the criteria.

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact Ms. Rosemary Roberts, Executive Director,

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