

The Tuesday Newsletter



Sacred Heart of Jesus School is a diverse community dedicated to educating the body, mind and spirit.

WEEKLY NEWS FROM SACRED HEART OF JESUS SCHOOL

NOVEMBER 14, 2023

CALENDAR PEEK!

11.15	2ND GRADE FIELD TRIP
11.16	PARENT WATCH DAY (1:15 pm in the gym)
11.16	TRIVIA NIGHT HAS BEEN POSTPONED (to March 19)
11.17	MASS (8 am in the church led by 6th grade)
11.17	GRANDPARENTS DAY (9 am in the gym)
11.17	EARLY DISMISSAL (11 am)
11.17	PROGRESS REPORTS
11.20-24	THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS (return to school 11/27)
11.27	KNITTING CLUB
11.27	CHRISTMAS CARD ART DUE TODAY
11.30	BIRTHDAY FREE DRESS (November & December)
12.01	SPIRIT SHIRT DAY
12.01	MASS (8 am in the church led by 8th grade)
12.04	CHARLESTON WRAP DEADLINE
12.21-01.03	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS (return to school 1/4)



PRINCIPAL'S POST

By: Michael Miller

Greetings to You All!

I can't believe that it is almost Thanksgiving Break! The days are just flying by. Thursday at 1:15 pm we invite our parents to watch our Grandparents Day (rehearsal). If you can make it we would love for you to come and check out the show we will be performing for the Grandparents. Just a reminder that Grandparents Day is for grandparents or important friend/family member standing in for a grandparent. A big thank you to all our teachers for preparing our students for the show! And a bigger shout out to Ms. Calandro, Ms. Newman, Ms. Reed, Ms. Cruz, and Mr. Smotherman for their work with the students for the show.

More importantly we the faculty, staff, administration, and clergy want to thank God for all the blessings He has given us. You and your family are one of those blessings we count in our lives. Thank you for the opportunity to serve and form your child/children here at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church and School.

Do Small Things With Great Love - St. Thérèse of Lisieux

PARENT WATCH DAY We invite you to watch our grandparents day rehearsal this Thursday, November 16 beginning at 1:15 p.m in the school gym.

GRANDPARENT DAY DISMISSAL FORMS If you have not already done so, please complete the grandparent day dismissal form on page 7. The deadline to turn them in is tomorrow. Remember that Friday is early dismissal and students are dismissed at 11 am.

PIP OPPORTUNITY [Click here](#) to sign up to volunteer for Grandparents Day and earn PIP hours.

T-SHIRTS FOR SALE We offered 2 shirts for sale at the alumni day lunch last Sunday, but wanted to offer them to our parents as well. The options are either the drawing of the Sacred Heart School or the Alumni Tiger shirt. If you are interested in purchasing either one, [click here](#) to fill out the form. Check out the images of them on page 6.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE Student Council is taking on the Thanksgiving Food Drive with the hope to help stock the Sacred Heart food pantry with items for Thanksgiving meals. ANY class with 100% participation by **November 15** will earn a free dress day. To avoid donating the same things student council asks each grade to donate the following items. Pre-K - Boxes of Instant Potatoes, Kindergarten - Boxes of Macaroni & cheese, 1st Grade - Boxes of Cornbread mix, 2nd Grade - Stuffing Mix, 3rd Grade - Canned Corn, 4th Grade - Canned Green Beans, 5th Grade - Canned Cranberries/cranberry sauce, 6th Grade - Canned Sweet Potatoes/Yams, 7th Grade - Jars of turkey gravy or dried gravy mix packets, 8th Grade - Pie crust & Pie filling; Canned fruit filling or canned pumpkin pie filling.

CHRISTMAS CARD OPPORTUNITY Would you like your artwork to be the cover of the Sacred Heart Christmas card? Here's your chance! Each student will be allowed to turn in a drawing for the school's Christmas card. The theme of the card must go along with these Bible verses:

- Matthew 2: 1-2 Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."
- Matthew 2:11 On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

The drawing must be turned in on an 8.5 x 11 piece of paper on **Monday, November, 27th** to Ms. Calandro. They can use crayons, markers, or colored pencils to color their drawing.

CHARLESTON WRAP Online ordering for Charleston Wrap will continue up to December 4th. Help Sacred Heart meet our goal of \$25,000. Please [click here](#) to place your order. Our organization ID is 19710. If you have any questions concerning Charleston Wrap, please contact Kathryn Mount (ke_trick@hotmail.com) or Danielle Baker (rdbaker2012@gmail.com).

AMAZON SMILE Did you know that shopping at [Amazonsmile.com](https://www.amazon.com/amazonsmile) could help Sacred Heart? Well...IT CAN! Go to [www.amazonsmile.com](https://www.amazon.com/amazonsmile.com) and search under charities for Sacred Heart of Jesus School. Choose it as your charity and voila all of your future Amazon purchases including your Christmas shopping will benefit Sacred Heart. Just make sure you use amazonsmile.com each time you shop.

SACRED HEART PARISH MESSENGER [Click here](#) to read this week's edition of The Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish Messenger.

SACRED HEART OF JESUS ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY Sacred Heart of Jesus St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry serves people in need who live within the geographical boundaries of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish. Food pantry collections are made each Friday during our school liturgy. Students, faculty, and staff donate non-perishable food items and are a major source of donations. While all donations are accepted, the pantry is in particular need of pasta, soups, chili, tuna and cornbread mix. Thank you so much for your support!

PICTURES FROM ALUMNI DAY



Congratulations to our 6th grade football team on an undefeated season and a 2nd place win at the St. Michael's Warrior Bowl this Saturday!!

Information regarding boys basketball season timelines will be sent this week.

Pre-K through 2nd grade parents, we will begin biddy basketball after the holidays. Registration information will be send out following the Thanksgiving break. If you are interested in volunteering, please email Athletic Director Amy Daughdrill at adaughdrill@sacredheartbr.com.

XC and Girls basketball parents, please turn in washed uniforms in a bag with your players name as soon as possible.

Football parents, please send all equipment given to you by Coach Patrick with your child to school on Wednesday, November 15 (please do not send earlier). Amy will return all equipment to HFS.



SACRED HEART HOME SCHOOL

NEWS AND REMINDERS

- Sadly, TRIVIA NIGHT is postponed until March 19th, due to unforeseen circumstances. We would like to thank those who signed up to donate and participate and apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.
- Wishing everyone hope, joy, peace, good health, favor, and love on this Thanksgiving Day! We are so THANKFUL for all of you! From Home & School.
- Don't forget! You can still order Charleston Wrap up to December 4th. Help Sacred Heart meet our goal of \$25,000. Please [click here](#) to place your order. Our organization ID is 19710. If you have any questions concerning Charleston Wrap, please contact Kathryn Mount (ke_trick@hotmail.com) or Danielle Baker (rdbaker2012@gmail.com). Prizes are going home with students today.
- TIGER SHOP IS OPEN 24/7! Buy yourself, your friends, and your family Sacred Heart merch and gear and support our school!!! The weather is getting cooler so don't forget to order sweatshirts and outerwear!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

November 4 - Christie Lauff - Middle School Science Teacher

November 6 - Gerianne Person - School Nurse

November 29 - Fr. Josh Johnson - Pastor

SACRED HEART STUDENT COUNCIL

Thanksgiving

Food Drive

Let's Share
& Care



Classes with 100 %
participation will receive
a free dress day!

**November
1-15**

Items needed:

- Pre-K - Boxes of Instant Potatoes
- Kindergarten - Boxes of Macaroni & cheese
- 1st Grade - Boxes of Cornbread mix
- 2nd Grade - Stuffing Mix
- 3rd Grade - Canned Corn
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Cash donations are also welcome.

SACRED HEART ALUMNI SHIRT \$20



SACRED HEART SCHOOL SHIRT \$20





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GRANDPARENT'S DAY DISMISSAL

November 8, 2022

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

In order to expedite our dismissal process for Grandparent's Day, we request that you complete this form and send to school no later than **November 15, 2023**. Please keep the top half for reminders.

- If there are any changes that need to be made after you turn the form in, you may email your child's homeroom teacher and the school receptionist (awilliams@sacredheartbr.com).
- If the office has not received a form by **11/15/23** the student will be marked as carpool dismissal.
- No check out or dismissal through the office will occur on this special day.

Thank you for assisting our staff in making this a smooth exit to our Thanksgiving break!

GRANDPARENT'S DAY DISMISSAL

Student Name: _____ Homeroom: _____

- ☐ My child will go home by carpool at 11 am.
- ☐ My child will leave through early dismissal in homeroom.
- ☐ Grandparent/Guest with limited mobility, to sign out through the gym.

Person to pick up : _____ Phone: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

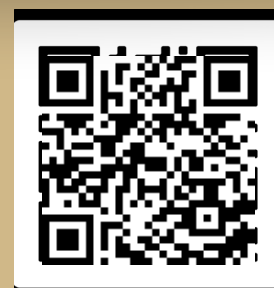


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OUTERWEAR NEEDS.

ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT
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KENDAL SCHEIDT (KENDALSHERYL@GMAIL.COM).



SCAN ME



What is a Simple Birthday?

When I was growing up, our birthday celebrations were a home cooked meal of your choice for dinner and a birthday cake. It was a private affair that happened just with my immediate family. Any other celebrations with friends were simple if they happened at all. I look back at those times with gratitude and wonder.

Now that my kids are grown, I convict myself for the lavish birthday parties I gave them. Do you really need a singing tea set on top of your cake or take their entire class to a hockey game? I waited so long to get them, that my gratitude was misplaced.

About a month before my son's 8th birthday, I went into his closet and noticed there were two gifts from his last birthday that were still in the package. They had never been used. I waited for the right moment to talk to him. I asked, "What if we asked for no gifts this year." He said, "Sure mom, there's nothing I really need." Wow!

I had to ask myself, "What do I want my child to learn from this birthday?" You *do* want your child to come out of the day feeling celebrated and loved. But you also have the opportunity to teach your child (and the kids who come) a more profound lesson in generosity through a simpler birthday party and an intentional switch in focus. So, consider joining the revolution of simple birthday parties that also have a mission.

What is a simple birthday party?

The joy of a simple birthday party is that you get to define it. The point is that you determine at the outset you will not spend your effort or financial resources on aspects of the party that don't support your values.

The goodie bags: A practical example of putting your values first in a simple birthday party. or some moms, a thoughtful goodie bag may be a way of celebrating and loving others. However, so often, these bags are given out for no reason beyond that it's what everybody does. Stuffed with sugar and cheap toys (often lost or broken before the day is over), they have little to do with anybody's values and more to do with outward expectations. These bags are a great example of things parents inadvertently do that can send messages of entitlement to the kids at the party:

- You are entitled to *more* sugar than the snacks, cake, and ice cream at the party.
- You *deserve* a gift because you gave a gift.
- Extravagant birthday parties are the standard to meet.

Plan a simple birthday party with your child based on your family's values.

If you want to change that pattern, you can talk with your child about why you want to do things differently this year. Then, talk with your child about how to set a different example and plan a party that expresses your values. Here are some questions you could discuss:

- What are the most important ways to bless a child who comes to our party?
- How can we be sure not to waste the money God has given us on things that don't really matter?
- How can *creativity* help us have a great time in a simple way?
- Are there others we want to bless who won't be at the party (for example, a local soup kitchen or a mission overseas)? How can we use the birthday party as an opportunity to bless them as well?

Research shows that children are happier when they give their own treats away than when they give an identical treat that doesn't belong to them. This even applies to toddlers. People tend to assume that toddlers are naturally selfish,. These findings show that children are actually happier giving than receiving. Certainly, this is not always the case since we can *all* be prone to selfishness at times, but these kinds of opportunities for altruism can significantly impact kids.

How to host a birthday party focused on eternal treasure, not more stuff

So, what about the glut of excessive gifts your child may receive? Brainstorm with your child how to shift the focus from getting more stuff to building up treasure in heaven. How can you make the world a better place by hosting this birthday

party? Even young children know it's not about simply getting more *stuff*. (This doesn't require entirely eliminating presents either.)

1. Invite kids to bring a food shelf item or a book for a lending library or shelter as their gift.
2. Suggest that grandparents or family members give coupons for fun experiences or creative learning outings to do together instead of giving multiple gifts.
3. "Thank before you bank." If there are toys given, thank you notes are written before toys are played with.
4. "Give as you get." Help your child choose toys from their current stock (to match the number they received) to give to kids who have very few toys. Then, your child can determine whether the toys go to a shelter, Goodwill, or other thrift store. You can pray with your child for the toys to be a blessing as you drop them off together.
5. Provide supplies for a fun craft for each child to make. The "birthday child" can bring the creations to a nursing home/assisted living facility.
6. (For a smaller party...) Kids could decorate their cupcakes *during* the party, decorate a few extra, and bring a few decorated cupcakes over to an elderly neighbor.
7. School-aged kids could participate in a food packing event for crisis hunger situations.
8. As you're setting kids up to be a blessing, notice the joy they're experiencing. Help kids pay attention to their joy and its meaning:

These ideas could seem like a setup for disappointment if kids expect a more extravagant birthday party; however, they may actually have a *more meaningful and memorable experience!*

Your children are amazing beings! They will surprise, delight, and teach you at every turn.

Wishing you a very happy simple Thanksgiving and many simple birthdays to come,

Nurse Geri

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

HAPPY
THANKSGIVING

Chicken Smackers
Spaghetti and Cheese
Garden Variety Veggies
Vegetable Melody
Mixed Berries with Whipped Cream

Choice: Pizza
Power Cup

Chicken Tenders
Red Beans and Rice
Garden Variety Veggies
Pineapples
Biscuit

Choice: Pizza
Power Cup

Honey Citrus Chicken
Fried Rice
Garden Variety Veggies
Pineapples

Choice: Pizza
Power Cup

Gumbo
Potato Salad
Garden Variety Veggies
Diced Peaches
Dinner Roll

Choice: Chicken Smackers
Power Cup

Soft Tacos
Taco Salad Cup
Pinto Beans
Salsa
Garden Variety Veggies
Sorbet Cup

Choice: Chicken Smackers
Power Cup

Spaghetti and Meatsauce
Garden Salad
Garden Variety Veggies
Orange Wedges
Garlic Bread Stick

Choice: Chicken Smackers
Power Cup

BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich
Baked Beans
Garden Variety Veggies
Diced Pears

Choice: Chef Caesar Salad
Power Cup

Hamburger/Cheeseburger
Lettuce and Pickle Cup
French Fries
Garden Variety Veggies
Tropical Fruit

Choice: Chef Chicken Smacker Salad
Power Cup

Chicken Smackers
Mashed Potatoes
Buttered Corn
Garden Variety Veggies
Red Apple Wedges
Dinner Roll

Choice: Chef Taco Salad
Power Cup

BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich
Baked Beans
Garden Variety Veggies
Tropical Fruit

Choice: Chef Caesar Salad
Power Cup

Pastalaya
Garden Salad
Garden Variety Veggies
Sorbet Cup

Choice: Chicken Teriyaki Rice Bowl
Power Cup

Thanksgiving Meal:
Pork Fricassee
Rice and Gravy
Corn
Garden Variety Veggies
Sorbet Cup
Dinner Roll
Celebration Cupcake
No Choices Today

Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza
Buttered Corn
Garden Variety Veggies
Garden Salad
Diced Peach Cup

Choice: Chicken Teriyaki Rice Bowl
Power Cup

Pastalaya
Garden Salad
Garden Variety Veggies
Sorbet Cup

Choice: Chicken Teriyaki Rice Bowl
Power Cup

Nachos
Nacho Salad Cup
Salsa
Mexican Corn
Garden Variety Veggies
Orange Wedges
Choice: Pizza
Power Cup

Macaroni and Cheese
Green Beans
Garden Variety Veggies
Strawberry Applesauce

Choice: Pizza
Power Cup

Brunch for Lunch:
Egg Bites
Biscuits
Grits
Tator Tots
Fruit Choice

Thanksgiving Break

GIVE
THANKS