



Sacred Heart Catholic Newsletter

December 7, 2018

Forming Saints and Scholars

Our Mission: Sacred Heart Catholic school community provides a Catholic foundation which cultivates disciples of Jesus and fosters academic excellence for all God's children.

The Principal's Blog

"Brothers and sisters: I pray always with joy in my every prayer for all of you, because of your partnership for the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus." This is how St. Paul greeted the church at Philippi about twenty years after the death and resurrection of Christ. It is also the beginning of the second reading for this weekend Masses. I love this introduction, and it is my sincere sentiment that I have for our school families and stakeholders of Sacred Heart Catholic.

Over the past several weeks I have been blessed to witness so many wonderful contributions to our school by our parents, students, school staff, and parish communities. Our school commission has spent many tireless hours building upon our vision to create an exemplary school where our young people are being formed as moral and just servant-leaders. PSTS and its leadership continues to explore opportunities for our students to grow and mature, focusing on the whole-child. With deep appreciation I am so grateful to the men and women who have given their time, talent and treasure in renovating our student playground. My heart has been warmed by the efforts of our student council in leading the student body in the successful service projects of Socktober and Exit Zero. Watching our students being guided by our excellent faculty and staff as we worship and pray as a community strengthens my own faith journey. And without the financial support of our parish communities, our school legacy could not continue! These are just a few highlights of a very successful first semester. I could go on and actually fill up all of the space in this newsletter, but there is many other important news items that we want to share with you. **Most importantly, please read carefully the information regarding the need for you to give an hour or two helping us complete the first phase of the playground project this Saturday.**

I leave you with one last thought - as we have been taught, Advent is a time of preparing ourselves and our families for the Coming of the Lord. Each Sunday in Advent has a theme which includes: Hope, Preparation, Joy, and Love. Thousands of years ago, people believed the prophecies that Christ would come, and they had great Hope that God would fulfill that prophecy. As Christians, we need to Prepare our minds and hearts for the coming of the Lord. During the third week, we celebrate Joy as we get out of the preparation phase and now focus on the fact that salvation is at hand. Finally, during the fourth week, we focus on Love. God has expressed his love by coming to us as a human. I hope that this Advent is a time that you can focus on these four qualities and possibly share some time discussing them with your children.

May you have a blessed weekend!
Frank Barlag

In Christ's Peace,

Sacred Heart of Jesus, Have mercy on us!

Live Jesus in our Hearts, Forever!

ADVENT 2018

We hope you and your family has taken advantage of some of the simple daily activities on our Advent calendar that was attached to our newsletter last week. What we do in Jesus' name, however simple, pleases Our Lord immeasurably.

Our next Advent prayer service will be on Wednesday in the PAC and will begin promptly at 7:50 a.m. and end at 8:05 a.m. Grade 3 will lead the service. Please come and join us. It is a beautiful way to start your day.

Don't forget our service project! We are collecting Adult hats, gloves, and scarves for Exit 0. Our giant stockings to collect donations are hanging outside of our classrooms as a daily reminder of this service project as we walk through the halls during December.

GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY DURING THIS ADVENT SEASON.



Our SHC, Cardinals Rock! T-shirt is on sale – Buy One – Get One Free! The following sizes are available:

**Youth Small – 8
Youth Medium – 10
Youth Large – 10
Youth XLarge – 10
Adult Small – 12
Adult Medium – 11
Adult Large – 15
Adult XLarge - 17**

Get one for the whole family – show your school spirit at all our events!



**Our second quarter ends Friday, December 14!
Have you talked to your student about his/her assignments and tests' preparation? You may also want to check your child's grades on Jupiter so that there are not any surprises in the end!**



On Thursday, December 20th, we will celebrate our second quarter success with an awards assembly at 8:00 am., Los Posadas at Noon, with an EARLY DISMISSAL AT 1:00 p.m. THERE WILL BE NO AFTERCARE ON OUR LAST DAY SO THAT ALL STAFF CAN CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS TOGETHER!

As many of you are aware, we are in the throes of cold and flu season. Our students have also been experiencing stomach issues. There are rules governing when a student may return to school. Please see the information below. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated by the teachers, fellow students and other staff members.

I NEED TO STAY HOME IF...

I HAVE A FEVER	I AM VOMITING	I HAVE DIARRHEA	I HAVE A RASH	I HAVE HEAD LICE	I HAVE AN EYE INFECTION	I HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL
Temperature of 100.4 or higher	Within the past 24 hours	Within the past 24 hours.	Body rash with itching or fever.	Itchy head, active head lice.	Redness, itching, and/or "crusty" drainage from eye.	Hospital stay and/or ER Visit

I AM READY TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL WHEN I AM...

Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication i.e. Tylenol, Motrin	Free from vomiting for at least 2 solid meals	Free from diarrhea for at least 24 hours	Free from rash itching, or fever. I have been evaluated by my doctor if needed.	Treated with appropriate lice treatment at home and proof is provided to nurse.	Evaluated by my doctor and have note to return to school	Released by my medical provider to return to school.
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WEATHER RELATED INFORMATION

WE DO NOT FOLLOW GREATER CLARK SCHOOL DISTRICT'S DECISION TO DELAY OR CANCEL SCHOOL. IF REGULAR SCHOOL HOURS ARE IMPACTED DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS, SCHOOL WILL EITHER BE CLOSED OR WE WILL OPERATE ON A TWO-HOUR DELAY. IF SCHOOL IS CLOSED AND OPERATING ON AN eLEARNING DAY, THE NEWS ANNOUNCEMENT AND THE JUPITER MESSAGE WILL CLEARLY STATE "eLEARNING DAY." IN ADDITION TO THE JUPITER MESSAGE, THIS INFORMATION MAY ALSO BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE. WE HAVE A PROCEDURE IN PLACE TO NOTIFY WAVE 3 NEWS AND WDRB NEWS WHEN WE HAVE A SCHOOL DELAY OR CLOSING. LISTEN OR WATCH FOR SACRED HEART CATHOLIC-JEFFERSONVILLE IN THE EVENT OF A CANCELLATION, DELAY OR EARLY DISMISSAL. YOU MAY GO TO THE NEWS STATIONS' WEBSITES TO SIGN UP TO RECEIVE TEXT MESSAGE NOTIFICATIONS.

IF WE ARE ON A TWO-HOUR DELAY: (1) THERE WILL BE NO MORNING PRESCHOOL CLASSES. (2) EXTENDED CARE WILL OPEN AT 8:30 A.M. (3) DROP-OFF DOORS WILL OPEN AT 9:00 A.M.

IF WE HAVE AN EARLY DISMISSAL: (1) WE WILL DISMISS AT 1:00 P.M. (2) PARENTS/ GUARDIANS WILL BE NOTIFIED THROUGH JUPITER. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT YOU HAVE A PLAN TO HAVE SOMEONE ON CALL WHO CAN PICK UP YOUR STUDENT(S). WE NEED TO ENSURE THAT ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE SO NO ONE ARRIVES HOME UNSUPERVISED WITHOUT THE PARENT'S CONSENT.



Dec 13 – Grades K-8 Christmas Program, 6:30 p.m. in the Church

Dec 14 – End of 2nd Quarter

Dec 18 – Preschool Christmas Program, 6:30 p.m. in the Church

Dec 19 – School Advent Confessions, 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Dec 20 - Awards Assembly, 8:00 a.m., Los Posadas, Noon, 1:00 p.m. dismissal
(Bring a Sack Lunch - No cafeteria service)

Dec 20 – First Reconciliation for First Communicants, 7:00 p.m., Sacred Heart Church



Liturgy Schedule: Come Worship with Our Family!

Date & Grade:	Time:	Feast of:
December 14 (1 st Grade)	8:30 am	Memorial of St. John of the Cross
*December 20 (2 nd Grade)	Noon	Ordinary Time

*Last Mass Before Christmas Break



What's Number 1???

<u>12/10</u>	<u>12/11</u>	<u>12/12</u>	<u>12/13</u>	<u>12/14</u>
Chili Dog Hashbrown Potatoes Green Beans Fruit/Milk	Chicken 'n' Dumplings Buttered Carrots Fruit/Milk	Port BBQ Sand Baked Beans Peach Crisp Fruit/Milk	Sloppy Joe Buttered Noodles Broccoli Fruit/Milk	Meatball Sub Cheesy Broccoli Chex Mix Fruit/Milk

**EARLY REMINDER, THERE WILL BE NO CAFETERIA SERVICE ON DECEMBER 20TH,
LAST DAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS BREAK – BRING A SACK LUNCH!!**





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