

# Crusader Chronicles

## Good Shepherd Catholic School

In the Sacrament of Confirmation, the gifts of the Holy Spirit, first received in Baptism, strengthen us each day in becoming the person God created each of us to be. These seven gifts are wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord.

A gift that has always been of particular interest is fear of the Lord. This gift has also been termed the gift of wonder and awe. It reminds us of how small we are before God and the magnificence of God's love expressed in all of creation. Wonder and awe is a loving and profound reverence for God.

The meekness about which the third Beatitude speaks is the recognition of the wonder and awe of God. We stand in meekness in those moments when we are aware of the God's presence in our time and space. To recognize our meekness before God requires us to enter into prayer with God. It calls us to set aside the busyness of our lives for a pause each day and to experience the grandeur of God enveloping each of us. It is at these moments that God swoops us into God's presence and we know what it means to "inherit the land," that is, to be blessed in the Kingdom of God.

***Let Us Build  
the Kingdom of God***



### Bishop Koenig's Visit

Bishop Koenig came to visit the school and celebrate Mass today! Students from each class got to take on ministry roles and did a great job. Dr. Lou accompanied the bishop on his visit. We thank Bishop Koenig and Dr. Lou for their continued prayers and support!

### Thanksgiving Pie Sale

The complete Thanksgiving feast is finished off with pie. Order your pies by going to [www.goodshepherdschool.net/pieorder](http://www.goodshepherdschool.net/pieorder) by **tomorrow, November 9th** to ensure you have the complete feast.

If you could send in cans of apple pie filling, bags of white all purpose flour, and shortening that would be greatly appreciated. Please sign up here to help with pie day. This is a great opportunity for junior high students to earn their hours for the first trimester. [Pie Days Sign up](#)



Bishop Koenig talked about the importance of following Jesus' recipe for happiness by living the Beatitudes!

### GSCS Holiday Plant Sale

In today's Wednesday mail, you should have received an order form for the GSCS Holiday Plant Sale. The order form and money will be due back to the school office by **Monday Nov. 13**. Any profits earned from the plant sale will be credited to your family's fundraising goal for the year. Plants will be delivered to school the week of Dec. 4th.

### FSO presents Class Turkey Wars

Beginning next **Monday, Nov. 13**, students will have an opportunity to buy turkey feathers to fluff up their class turkeys. Class turkeys are on display throughout the school. The class with the most feathers will win a pizza and ice cream party for lunch on Friday, Dec. 1. All proceeds from the Turkey Feather Sales will benefit FSO activities throughout the year.

## Crusader Jibbitz for your Crocs!

FSO is selling custom Crusader jibbitz for your crocs. They are \$4 each and can be purchased through the main office.



## Spiritwear Holiday Sale

The Good Shepherd Holiday Sale is live! The sale will run from November 6th - December 8th. There is a 20% discount on items sitewide and free shipping for orders over \$75. All orders are guaranteed delivery by December 23rd. [Click here](#) to shop!

[Spiritwear Shop](#)

## Santa Breakfast

You better watch out! You better not cry! You better not pout I'm telling you why. Santa Claus is coming to town for our Santa breakfast on **Sunday, December 10th** from 8-11:30. This is a great opportunity for parents and junior high students to earn volunteer or service hours. More details will be coming soon.

## Junior High Service Hours

A reminder that junior high service hours for the first trimester are due on **November 20th**. Students should turn in 10 hours for the first trimester.

## Digital Hall Pass

Student safety and quality use of instructional time are important to our students' education. Students will be able to request a hall pass with the teacher's permission to go to the bathroom, water fountain, main office, etc. This will help us to better track student movement and time out of class to ensure instructional time is being best utilized.

## Cellphones

A reminder that students should not be using cell phones at school. In the event that your child needs to have a cellphone at school, we will have a cell phone pocket holder in the office that students can put their cell phones in. In the event that cell phones are found during class time, teachers may take the cell phone and return it to the parents at dismissal.





## Christmas Bazaar

Santa Claus is coming to town (soon)! Save the date for our annual Christmas Bazaar-**November 17th and 18th**. We need vendors and volunteers as well as donations for the Basket wheel.

**Basket Wheel donations are due November 10th.**

Please see the attached flier and click here to volunteer. This is a great opportunity for junior high and parent service hours. [Christmas Bazaar Volunteer Sign Up](#)

Students will be caroling each night of the bazaar. Students who are singing should wear jeans and a red or green shirt. Students may wear a Santa hat or Christmas headband. Participating students will get a tag day slip. Please see the attached flier for songs to practice. [Christmas Carols Song Link](#)

## Bright Arrow

In the event of a school closure or important school-wide announcement, we will be using Bright Arrow. We will be doing a test message this evening. Please contact the office if you do not receive a message.

## Diocesan Financial Aid

The diocesan financial aid program has opened their application. If you plan to apply for financial aid through the diocese, please use the following link.

[online.factsmgt.com/aid](https://online.factsmgt.com/aid). The application is open and the the deadline is January 31, 2023. Don't wait to apply!

### A Moment to Chuckle:

Q: Why did the scarecrow win the Nobel Prize?

A: Because he was out-standing in his field.

## I-Give Catholic Campaign



This year's I-Give Catholic Campaign will run from November 14th- November 28th. Our goal is \$8,000 to help us purchase chromebooks, a Viewboard, and charging carts. Any money raised over the goal will be used toward our scholarship fund.

#IGIVECATHOLIC

## Indoor Flea Market

Our indoor flea market is in need of an organizer! If you are interested in helping to organize this fundraiser for the school, please contact the office.

## Picture Make Ups/Retakes

Picture retakes will be on **Thursday, November 16th**.

## Professional Day- No School

On **Friday, November 17th**, there will be no school for students. Teachers will have a professional day and parish volunteers will be readying the building for the Christmas Bazaar.

## Christmas Parade

Save the date for the Perryville Christmas Parade on **December 9th**. Details will come out closer to the parade.

### Upcoming Dates & Events

- Vocation Prayer Service- Nov. 10th
- Pie Day- Nov. 11th
- Picture Retakes- Nov. 16th
- Professional Day (No School)- Nov. 17th
- Christmas Bazaar- Nov. 17th
- Christmas Bazaar- Nov. 18th
- Geography Bee- Nov. 20th
- End of T1- Nov. 21st
- Thanksgiving Lunch- Nov. 21st
- Thanksgiving Break- Nov. 22nd - Nov. 24th

*Good Shepherd Catholic School develops successful students with the support of the entire community. Our students reach their maximum academic and personal potential in a safe and nurturing environment, leading them to be people of faith, socialization, and character through study and service.*



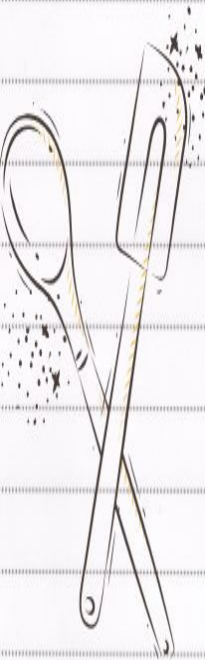
# Thanksgiving *Pie Fundraiser*

*Homemade Take and Bake Frozen Pies*

*Apple Pumpkin Cherry Blueberry*

*\$10 each*

*Order by November 9th*



[www.goodshepherdschool.net/pieorder](http://www.goodshepherdschool.net/pieorder)





Good Shepherd Catholic School  
and St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive

# THANKS FOOD DRIVE GIVING

Thanksgiving and Christmas are coming quickly. There are many families in the community, who struggle to even put food on the table. Each year Good Shepherd School hosts a food drive for the St. Vincent de Paul Society so that they can make these folks' holidays special too. We have until November 16th to collect as much as we can – and if years past are any indicator, our stage will soon be full of our school families' donations. Please be as generous as possible!

## We Are Collecting The Following Items:

Pre K: Canned Green Beans  
K: Stuffing  
1st: Instant Potatoes  
2nd: Instant Potatoes  
3rd: Canned Green Beans

4th: Stuffing  
5th: Turkey gravy  
6th: Canned Corn  
7th: Cranberry Sauce  
8th: Canned Yams

Items Will Be Collected

**NOVEMBER**  
**1-16**

**Drop Off Location**  
Auditorium at Good Shepherd



# 2023

Good Shepherd Parish 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Bazaar

## Basket Wheel



**The Annual Christmas Bazaar is being held November 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.**

Each class will be responsible for filling a themed gift basket. Every basket will be used at the basket wheel and we are asking each child to bring in a new item to be used in filling the baskets.

Below is a list of the classes and the themes of their basket.

Donations from parishioners are also welcome to fill each basket.

All items should be turned in **no later than November 10th.**

### **Let's Get Creative! (Pre-K/Kindergarten)**

(Paper, crayons, markers, paints, pens, paint brushes, glue sticks, stickers, scissors, glitter- anything arts & crafts)

### **Recess Time! (Grades 1 & 2)**

(Chalk, jump rope, balls, bubbles, Frisbee, jacks, toy cars/trucks, dolls, figurines- fun things to share on the playground)

### **What's in a Box? (Grades 3 & 4)**

(Anything fun in a box-- games, cards, blocks, puzzles, popcorn, Christmas jewelry, ornaments, candle, mug, -- think outside the box!)

### **Santa's Little Helper! (Grades 5 & 6):**

(Bows, gift wrap/boxes/bags/tags, ribbon, tape, scissors, cookie tins, cookie cutters, hot chocolate, candy canes, cake molds, etc.)

### **Road Trip! (Grades 7 & 8)**

(Books, magazines, crossword puzzles, Mad Libs, travel games, travel mugs, snacks, sunglasses, fun things to have & stay entertained on road trips)



If you have any questions, please contact:

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# Good Shepherd's Christmas Bazaar

Join us this

**November 17th and 18th**

**to get into the Christmas spirit through song!**

Students will meet in the specials classroom at **5:45** and perform at **6:00**. Students should wear jeans and a red or green school-appropriate shirt to earn a free tag day.

Students may wear a Santa hat or headband that is Christmas-themed.

**We appreciate your support!!**

**Please practice the following songs with your child(ren) to help us prepare.**

- **Santa Claus is Coming to Town**
- **Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer**
- **Frosty the Snowman**
- **Deck the Halls**
- **Jingle Bells**
- **Away in a Manger**
- **We wish you a Merry Christmas**



SCAN ME



Scan here to watch a video  
and sing along to practice!





# Help us update technology devices that our students use everyday!

Please consider a donation to our school  
through #iGiveCatholic.



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NOVEMBER 28, 2023



## Why is technology important in education?



### Provides A More Engaged Learning Environment

Technology can help teachers to present subjects in  
more interactive and creative ways.

### Boosts Collaboration

An engaging learning environment requires a lot of  
collaboration. Technology is a great way to promote  
and facilitate discussion among students.

### Supports Learning

Technology can offer a variety of teaching and learning  
techniques that can help teachers convey the subject  
material in a new and different way.

...more details coming soon!





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