

# Crusader Chronicles

## Good Shepherd Catholic School

As we continue our reflection on the third Beatitude, our Advent focus for meekness this week is Saint Joseph. Pope Francis offers us seven attributes of Saint Joseph, all of which provide a clear definition of meekness.

- Hard working
- Tender and loving
- Obedient
- Accepting
- Creatively courageous
- In the shadows
- Beloved

While each attribute would need a full essay to describe it, let us consider just one trait of Saint Joseph at this time. To be obedient to the will of God is to recognize one's humility and to act with meekness. Saint Joseph was a dreamer who received no fewer than four messages in dreams from God. He was asked to marry Mary, already pregnant with the Messiah. In three subsequent dreams he was told to move Mary and the Christ Child to Egypt, then back from Egypt, and eventually to Nazareth. In each of these instances, Saint Joseph recognized the will of God and submitted to it. This week, let us listen to the will of God spoken in our hearts and pray for the grace to act on it. In this way, we, like Saint Joseph, will grow in meekness.

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



### Perryville Christmas Parade

Our Crusaders represented Good Shepherd well in the Perryville Christmas parade!



### Family (Christmas) Movie Night

FSO is sponsoring Family Christmas Movie Night this **Friday, December 15th**. Doors will open at 5:30 and the movie will start at 6:00. We will be watching The Grinch. Concessions will be available. We look forward to seeing you in your pjs!

### Santa Breakfast

Santa came to visit and mentioned that breakfast was delicious! Thank you to all of our volunteers and those that came to share breakfast with our community.



## Gift of Good Shepherd

Give the gift of Good Shepherd this Christmas season! We will be offering the package of 2 Bag Bingo tickets, 2 Comedy Show tickets, and 2 Gala tickets for \$250. This package is available until December 21st.

## Christmas Program

On **December 20th** at 6:30 we will be hosting our Christmas program and band concert. Information about parts went home in the Wednesday envelope.

## Candy Cane Sales

Candy canes are a holiday treat that has much connection to our faith! Our 8th graders are selling candy canes to spread some joy and raise money for their class trip. Candy canes will be sold at lunches for 50¢. They will be delivered to students at the end of the day to be enjoyed at home.

## 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 deadline is January 31, 2023. Don't wait to apply!

A Moment to Chuckle

Q. Why can't Christmas trees sew?

A. Because they always drop their needles.

Q. Why did the pine tree get coal in its Christmas stocking?

A. Because it was knotty all year long.

## Yearbook

Memories of an awesome school year captured in one location. Order your yearbook for the 23-24 school year by clicking [here](#). Orders due by January 25th. [Yearbook Order Form](#)

## Santa Shoppe

Santa has many elves and they have stopped by Good Shepherd! Information about the Santa Shoppe will be going home in the Wednesday envelope.

## Designer Bag Bingo

B-1, B-7, I-24... BINGO! Our Designer Bag Bingo will be held on **Sunday, January 7th**. Doors will open at 3:00 and bingo games will begin at 4:30. For tickets, call the office or go to [www.goodshepherdschool.net/bagbingo](http://www.goodshepherdschool.net/bagbingo) If you are interested in volunteering, please click here to sign up.

[Bag Bingo SignUp Genius](#)

## 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.

### Upcoming Dates & Events

- Holiday Shoppe- Dec. 12
- Holiday Movie Night- Dec 15
- Christmas Program & Band Concert- Dec 20
- ½ Day (No aftercare)- Dec. 21
- Christmas - Dec. 25
- New Year- Jan. 1
- School Reopens- Jan. 3
- Designer Bag Bingo- Jan. 7
- Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday- Jan. 15
- Mass for Life- Jan. 22
- Opening Catholic Schools Week Mass- Jan. 28
- Catholic Schools Week- Jan. 28-Feb. 3
- Comedy Night- Feb. 3

*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.*







# *Give the Gift of* **GOOD SHEPHERD**

**SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL AND GIFT THE EXPERIENCE OF A GSCS EVENT!**



## **PACKAGE INCLUDES:**

- 2 BAG BINGO TICKETS (\$60 VALUE)
- 2 COMEDY NIGHT TICKETS (\$70 VALUE)
- 2 SPRING GALA TICKETS (\$160)

Package can be divided between different recipients after purchase.

For details on our events and more check out our website at  
[www.goodshepherdschool.net](http://www.goodshepherdschool.net) or follow us on Facebook!

**SALE  
ENDS  
12/21/23**





# *Candy Cane Sale*

selling at **50¢**

from  
**DECEMBER 5-20**

at **LUNCH**

**All proceeds benefit 8th Grade's field trip.**



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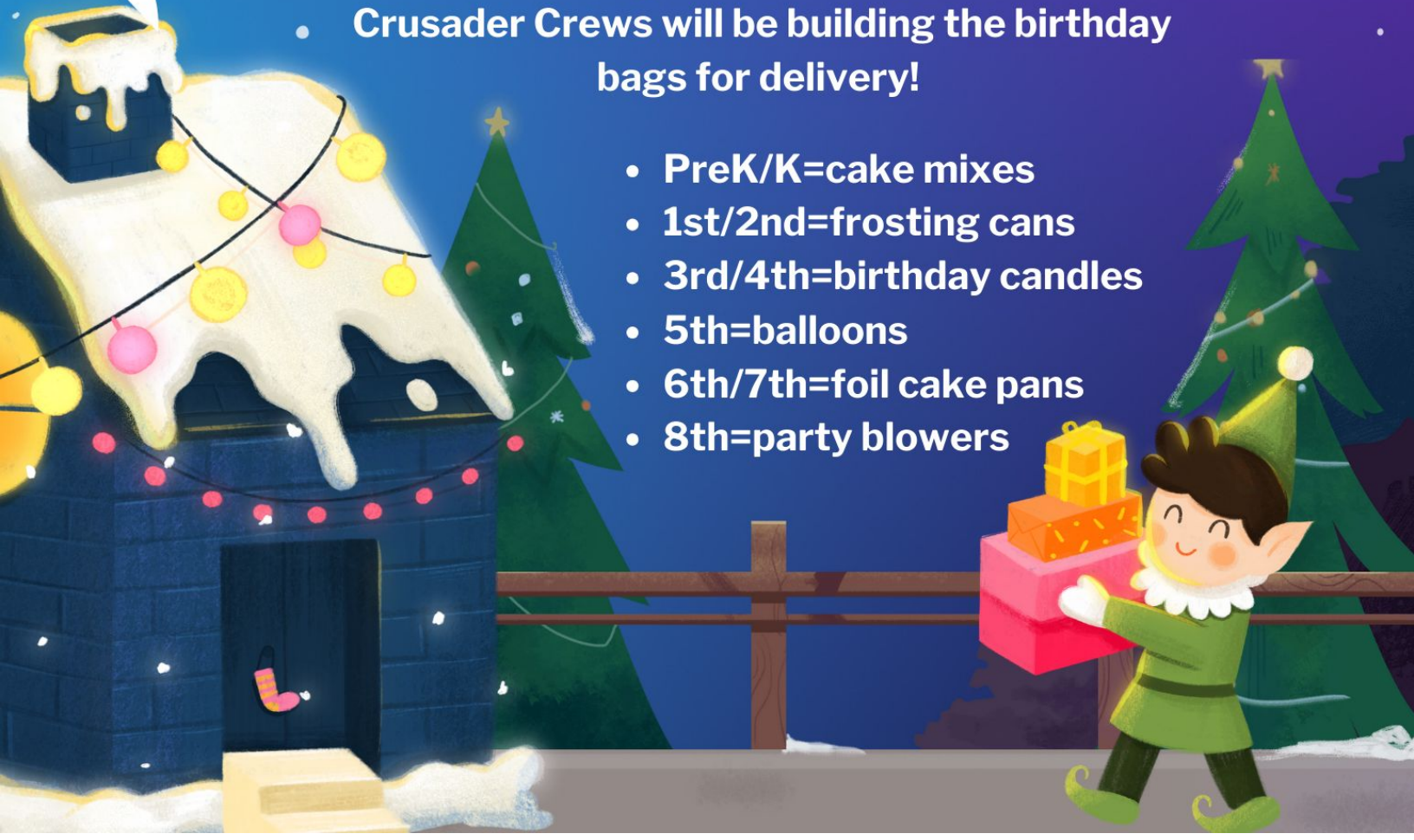
# Birthday-in-a-Bag Advent Service Project

As we prepare to celebrate Jesus' birthday, there are many who may feel forgotten or not able to celebrate their birthdays throughout the year. Let's give others a way to celebrate birthdays by building birthday bags! Our goal is to build 85 birthday bags. We will give the completed birthday bags to St. Vincent de Paul to give to our local community. We will be collecting the following items, and

- Crusader Crews will be building the birthday bags for delivery!

- PreK/K=cake mixes
- 1st/2nd=frosting cans
- 3rd/4th=birthday candles
- 5th=balloons
- 6th/7th=foil cake pans
- 8th=party blowers

Send  
donations  
by Dec.  
15th



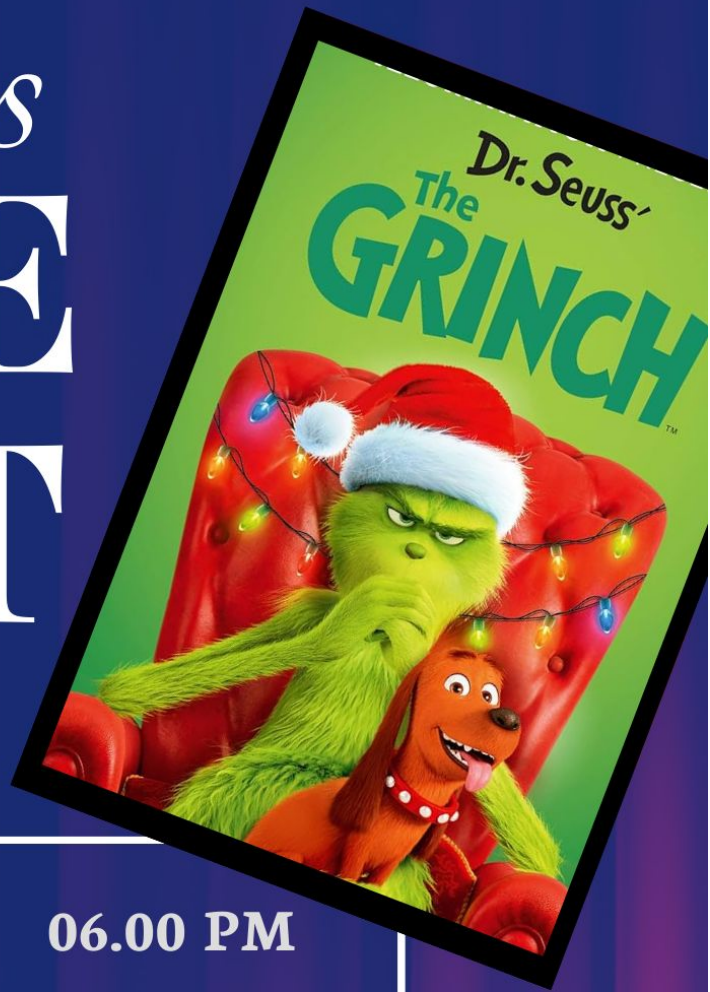


# *Christmas* **MOVIE NIGHT**



**Friday,  
December  
15th**

**06.00 PM**



**Join us in the GSCS Cafetorium  
for Christmas Movie Night. Wear  
your pajamas and bring a cozy  
blanket to watch The Grinch  
with your friends!**





GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

# DESIGNER BAG



50/50

SNACKS FOR SALE  
(No outside food allowed)

RAFFLES

800 AIKEN AVE PERRYVILLE, MD 21903

**SUNDAY**  
January 7, 2024

Doors open at 3:00  
Bingo starts at 4:30

\$30 in advance / \$35 at the door

Call to reserve 410-642-6265