Crusader Chronicles

Good Shepherd Catholic School

As we rest in the glow of the third week of Advent, dedicated to the theme of joy, we are reminded of the profound words, "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth." This timeless message calls us to reflect on the virtues of humility, gentleness, and patience. In a world often filled with noise and busyness, the call to meekness stands as a gentle reminder of the power found in quiet strength and a tranquil spirit. This Advent, as we focus on the joy that this season brings, let us also cultivate the joy that comes from embracing meekness. True joy arises when we find peace within ourselves and extend that peace to others. As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ and eagerly anticipate the promise of a new year, may the meekness in our hearts amplify the joy that surrounds us. Just as the meek inherit the earth, may our humble and gentle actions contribute to a world rich in understanding.

compassion, and unity. Wishing you and your loved ones a Merry Christmas filled with the warmth of joy and the blessings of meekness. May the New Year bring opportunities for growth, connection, and moments of shared joy that resonate throughout our community.

Let Us Build the Kingdom of God

Christmas Program

This evening, **December 20th at 6:30** we will be hosting our Christmas play. Due to illnesses, the band concert will be on Thursday, January 4th at 6:30. Click here to see arrival times.

Christmas Program Schedule

Christmas Tag Day

Red and green, elves and Santa, reindeer and snowmen... We will have a Christmas themed tag day **tomorrow**, **December 21st**. Please remember the rules for tag days can be found in the school handbook.

Noon Dismissal

Tomorrow, December 21st will be a 12:00 dismissal with no aftercare.

Diocesean Financial Aid

The diocesean financial aid application is now open. If you plan to apply for financial aid through the diocese, please use the following link <u>online.factsmgt.com/aid</u>. The application is open and the the deadline is **January 31, 2023**. Don't wait to apply!

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 If you are interested in volunteering, please click here to sign up.

Baq Bingo SignUp Genius









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

Drop-Off & Dismissal

When dropping off your child(ren) in the morning, please use the designated drop-off lane and ensure that students exit the vehicle only when they reach the sidewalk. During dismissal, we appreciate your patience and cooperation. If you need to speak with a teacher or if a student forgets something, please pull around the circle and follow the cars. We kindly request that parents remain in their designated lane until it is dismissed to maintain a smooth flow of traffic. Following these guidelines is crucial in ensuring the safety of all students and facilitating a seamless drop-off and dismissal process.





We worked in Crusader Crews to make birthday celebrations for St. Vincent de Paul! Happy Birthday, Jesus!

A Moment to Chuckle

Q. What do you call someone who sneezes a lot at Christmas?
A. An Ebesneezer.
(Thank you, Mr. Johnson!)

Q. What is every parent's favorite Christmas carol?

A. Silent Night.

Comedy Night

Mark your calendars for a night of laughter at the GSCS Comedy Night on **February 3rd**! Doors swing open at 6:30 PM, and the hilarity begins at 8:00 PM. Join us for an evening packed with side-splitting performances from talented comedians, promising an unforgettable experience. Secure your tickets now for a laughter-filled night that's sure to lift your spirits!

Indoor Flea Market

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







Our Christmas Play (The ABC's of Christmas) was a great reminder of what we celebrate this season. Thank you to parents and teachers, especially Mrs. Bowersox and Mrs. Cease!

<u>Upcoming Dates & Events</u>

- 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.





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 or follow us on Facebook!

SALE ENDS 12/21/23



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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

