



The Sacred Heart of the Matter



Our Mission

In the context of a Christian community, Sacred Heart Grade School strives to help students fulfill the potential of their God given talents and abilities by guiding them to develop themselves spiritually, intellectually, physically, emotionally, aesthetically, and socially.



Charleston, WV ~ Sacred Heart Grade School ~ December 2016

Dear parents and students,

As I type this letter, I am looking at the boxes and boxes of boots that our families have donated to the children, men, and women in Clay County who lost their warm boots in this summer's flooding. Our community's response to those in need this year, from June through December, has been overwhelming, to say the least. Cleaning supplies, appliances, coats, food, and boots; our families have reached out to help, time and time again.

The boots collected vary in size, style, and color. Some are rubber with pink fur sprouting out of the top, while others are camouflage and heavy soled. I keep finding myself thinking of how these boots will feel when they are worn. Boots in the winter keep us warm from the cold. They keep us dry when it is rainy and snowy. They offer comfort when the weather and other things around us might not be so comfortable. What a difference it makes when we can have warmth and comfort in our lives. Each pair of boots donated will offer a moment, a gift, of warmth and comfort to our neighbors.

During this season of Advent, I thank each of you for the gifts of the heart that you have given, and I wish all of our families many moments of warmth and comfort as we prepare for Christmas.

In peace,
Susan Malinoski

Christmas Program



Mrs. Kawash and the Sacred Heart Grade School first, second, and third grade students will present the Christmas program, "Born A King", on Tuesday, December 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. We are all looking forward to a night of musical celebration with our Sacred Heart family!

Gingerville, USA



It's that time of year! Kindergarten's Open House, Gingerville, USA, will be held on **Friday, December 16, at 9:00 a.m.** in the school cafeteria! Please remember to bring a box to transport all of your child's goodies. Students in Kindergarten will go home with their parents following the Open House.

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December Dress Down Days



Thursday, December 1
Friday, December 9
Wednesday, December 14
Thursday, December 15
Friday, December 16

December Dress Down Day
Clay County Classroom Quota Dress Down Day
Clay County Thank you Dress Down Day
Merry Christmas Dress Down Day
DRESS-UP DAY for Mass and Christmas parties



WEST WING OPEN HOUSE

There will be an Open House on Saturday, December 10 and Sunday, December 11 following masses at Sacred Heart Parish. Anyone who has not yet had the opportunity to tour the new addition can visit the school following 5:30 mass on Saturday, 12/10, or after 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 12:00 p.m. mass on Sunday 12/11. We look forward to seeing you there!



CONGRATULATIONS!



Students were invited to design a poster for Children's Theater of Charleston's upcoming play, "A Ghost Tale for Mr. Dickens". This was an optional activity to encourage creativity outside our classroom. All poster contest entries will be on display at the Charleston Civic Center Little Theater from December 8-11. Congratulations to our seventeen SHGS participants: Hannah Fisher, Olivia Hayes, Ashton Henrich, Aurelia Kirby, Mateo Lao, Hope Linton, Grace Looney, Owen Looney, Mia Lough, Eric Miller, Molly Messer, Nadia Orcutt, Emerson Sadorra, Jack Seagle, Max Wilcox and to the winners Lily Patnoe and Telina Williams whose designs will be used by CTOC for promotional materials! Keep creating!

THANK YOU!



To the 1033 Fundraising Committee, Madeline Blankenship, Jack Burke, Nick Casey, Jim Disssen, Tom Lane, Cindy McGhee, Mark Staun, and Bill Tiano for their continued, tireless, and much appreciated efforts in making the West Wing our reality!

To SHGS families for their very generous donations to the Clay County Boot Drive and the Clay County Food Drive. Your generosity will make a difference in the lives of many children and their families this winter. We collected 50 pairs of boots and filled 188 food boxes!

To Helen Inghram for organizing yet another successful Clay County Food Drive!

To Jodie Breitreutz and Harmony Brown for checking and double-checking each of the 188 food boxes !

To SHGS students who sold more than 1000 boxes of peanuts for the first ever SHGS PVA Peanut Shoppe fundraiser!

To the following 5th graders who are sharing the story of the 12 Days of Christmas with us each morning during Advent: Michael Lao, Olivia Persinger, Andrew Hanna, Christa Fisher, Luke Workman, Avery Persinger, Jack Curry, Milla Collias, Johnny Preston, Emilie McNeil, Calyn Taylor.

CONDOLENCES



To Adeline and Cullen Conroy and their family on the loss of their paternal grandfather.

We pray that in this time of loss, you will feel God's love and find comfort in the presence of the Lord.

December Calendar

Friday, December 2	Progress Report Day
Wednesday, December 7	Reconciliation grades 3-5 December birthday lunch
Thursday, December 8	Mass-Immaculate Conception Friday Specials 5th grade Parent Lunch
Friday, December 9	Clay County Quota Dress Down Day Thursday Specials
Tuesday, December 13	Christmas program– grades 1-3. 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 14	Clay County Thank You Dress Down Day
Thursday, December 15	Merry Christmas Dress Down Day
Friday, December 16	Dress-Up Day! 9:00 a.m. Kindergarten Gingerville, USA 10:30 am. Classroom parties 11:30 a.m. dismissal
Tuesday, January 3	Classes resume
Wednesday, January 4	January birthday lunch
Friday, January 6	Uniform sale: 7:30 a.m., 2:00 p.m. Lunch bills go home Returning student applications go home

