



# 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.



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Dear parents and students,

Often, we find ourselves counting our blessings throughout November. In classrooms and around the dinner table, we find comfort and happiness in contemplating and giving thanks for the joy in our life. This year, November also marks the closing of the Jubilee Year of Mercy declared by Pope Francis. Pope Francis challenged us to see how we could show others the mercy of God. At Sacred Heart Grade School, we will answer this call throughout November by reaching out again to our neighbors in need. In early November we will join with CCHS and collect boots for those in Clay County who lost their warm boots in the summer's flooding. Later in the month, we will once again make food boxes in the hopes of helping some of those same families have a happier holiday season.

As we gather with friends and families this month, let us not only give thanks for our own blessings, but for having the opportunity to help others experience joy through our service to them. We are blessed not only by those around us, but by the opportunity to help and show others the mercy of God. I wish you many blessings this thanksgiving season.

In peace,

Susan Malinoski

## CONGRATULATIONS!

To the following students on their wonderful achievements:



### Principal's Honor Roll (all A's):

Arden Blevins, Micah Hill, Avery Persinger, Hannah Sullivan, Tony Singh, Sarah Rahin, Joey Muchow, Emilie McNeil, Tyler Good, Samara Harrison, Gwyneth Lanning, and Andrew Hanna

### Honor Roll (A's and a maximum of 2 B's)

James Basdekis, Sophia Bautista, Olivia Persinger, Conner Mayhorn, Champion Carrico, Gio Cinco, Milla Collias, Jack Curry, Jackson Hamrick, Madelyn Spangler, and Michael Strickland

### Spelling Bee Classroom Winners:

4A Jonah DiCocco, Sarah Saffer  
 4B Aurelia Kirby, William Sautillo  
 4C Gabe Mincer, Ben Hedges  
 5A Sam Delgra, Andrew Hanna  
 5B Avery Persinger, Jackson Hamrick  
 5C Bethany Settle, Joey Muchow

After spelling a record-setting 129 words, the SHGS Spelling Bee winner was decided, as **Jonah DiCocco** captured 1st place! Jonah will represent Sacred Heart Grade School at the Kanawha County Spelling Bee. Our second place winner, Avery Persinger, will represent SHGS in the event that Jonah is unable to participate. Congratulations to all of our spellers!

### WV Book Festival My Neighborhood Art Contest Winners:

6 years old and under:	Gianna Scalise	1st place
	Annerae Henson	2nd place
	Morgan Petty	3rd place
7-9 year olds:	Lily Patnoe	2nd place

Congratulations to our winners and to all of our students, grades K-4, who participated!

### Our second graders celebrating First Reconciliation this weekend:

Colton Walker, Luca Iafraite, Charles Johnson, Manar Khoury, Owen Looney, Izzy Paulson, Sam Wilkinson, Olivia Workman, Peyton Greathouse, Patrick Kirby, Mattie Lucas, Abigail Milam, Lily Seagle, Alex Weber, Toa Currey, William Fredeking, Alexis Garten, Ella Gillis, Ella Green, Evan Griffith, Julia Reehling, Roman Tinney, and 4th grader Patrick Griffith



# CLAY COUNTY CHRISTMAS PROJECT

## FOOD BOXES

It is once again time for our annual Clay County Food Drive! Charleston Catholic High School and Sacred Heart Grade School provide food boxes, Christmas presents, and clothing for approximately 200 needy families in Clay County. This holiday service project has been ongoing for over 25 years. Through your support and generosity Sacred Heart provides the majority of food boxes for this project. This year our goal is to collect at least 180 boxes. In order to reach our goal, we need your help!

Information will come home in Friday Folders on November 10. Please send food items in between **Monday, Nov. 28 and Wednesday, Nov. 30**. Classrooms that have all of their food items in by Wednesday will have a dress down day on Friday, Dec. 9. There will be a school-wide dress down day on Wednesday, Dec. 14 if we reach our school goal.

In this time of economic hardship, we would greatly appreciate any family who is willing and able to fill an entire box. This additional assistance can help us meet our goal. If you are able to fill an entire box please let your child's teacher know. If you are unable to participate in this project, please let the office know so alternate arrangements can be made.

## BOOT DRIVE



As an additional service to our neighbors in need, many of whom have lost their warm boots in this summer's flooding, we will also be partnering with CCHS in the **Clay County Boot Drive**. If you are interested in purchasing a pair of boots to donate, please take a boot tag from **The Giving Tree** bulletin board outside of the main office and record your name on the corresponding line of the registration ledger. Please include the boot tag with your donation. Boot donations are due to the school donation bin by **November 18<sup>th</sup>**.

Thank you, on behalf of Sacred Heart Grade School, Charleston Catholic High School, and the families this project will serve, for your gifts of time, money, and spirit.

## FLU SHOTS



Students in grades K-5 who have signed up for flu shots will receive those shots on November 18. Permission forms for the flu vaccine are due on Thursday, November 10.

## UPCOMING DRESS DOWN DAYS

November 4  
November 8  
December 1

\$2 Dress Down for the Clay County Christmas Project-Thank you!  
November Dress Down Day  
December Dress Down Day



## SACRED HEART BASKETBALL



It's time to register for Sacred Heart Parish Basketball! This year, we are using an online registration process. The link to the form can be found on the Sacred Heart Grade School Website located at [www.shgs.us](http://www.shgs.us). If you have any questions, email us at [SacredHeartBasketballWV@gmail.com](mailto:SacredHeartBasketballWV@gmail.com). Practices will begin on November 28. **Please complete the registration form before November 6, 2016.**

We always need coaches and assistant coaches! There will be a mandatory coaches meeting on Monday, **November 7, at 6:30 PM** in the ELC Athletic Facility. We look forward to another year of fun and learning this season!

## THE PEANUT SHOPPE FUNDRAISER

Sacred Heart Grade School is excited to be partnering with The Peanut Shoppe in our holiday fundraiser! The Peanut Shoppe has been a Charleston tradition and family owned business for over 60 years. By participating in the SHGS PVA's fundraiser, you will be supporting our school and a longtime local business! Sacred Heart Grade School will earn \$5.00 for each 1 lb. box sold!

### IMPORTANT DATES to REMEMBER

**Friday, Nov 18** - All orders are due to Heather Harrison.

**Fri, Dec 9 & Sat, Dec 10** - Delivery to students for distribution before Christmas.

No late orders will be accepted.

Orders may be submitted by back pack mail, email ([hdharrison@belllaw.com](mailto:hdharrison@belllaw.com)) or fax (304-345-1715). If you have any questions or would like to help with sales/distribution, please contact Heather at 304 382 3737 or [hdharrison@belllaw.com](mailto:hdharrison@belllaw.com).



## THE BLESSING OF THE WEST WING



On Friday, October 28, Bishop Bransfield visited Sacred Heart Grade School to bless our new West Wing! Members of the Sacred Heart community gathered together for a special day full of celebration, appreciation, prayer, and song.

## KROGER REWARDS

Don't forget to register your Kroger Reward card to benefit PVA. Parents who registered cards last year will need to re-enroll. Please visit <https://www.kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow> to re-enroll. This is an easy and effective way to support our school! We appreciate your support.

## REMINDER

- ♥ At our weekly liturgies together, our children are taught to enter, remain, and exit the church reverently in silence. We appreciate the example our parents set as they follow suit. As always, please refrain from taking pictures during the service using a flash. **Given the sacred nature of the mass, there should be no cell phone use, eating, or drinking in the church during the service.** Thank you for your support and understanding with these requests!

## THANK YOU!



To the SHGS PVA for providing a stipend and treat bag for teachers traveling to Morgantown for the Diocesan Conference!

To Trina Smith for her gifts of time and talent as she photographs the happenings around Sacred Heart Grade School for our yearbook, website, and classroom activities!

To the families of Sacred Heart Grade School for providing two vans full of coats, gloves, hats, scarves, and mittens for our neighbors in need in the Elkview area during our Warmer Winter from the Heart Donation drive.

To Bishop Bransfield, Msgr. Sadie, Msgr. Annie, Father Higgs, and Father Brian for their prayerful guidance during the blessing of the West Wing.

To those who made the West Wing possible through their donations of time, money, and spirit:  
John Jarrett, Ed Tyson, Wes Cremeans, John Reardon, Ralph and Joanne Hoyer, the Burke Family, the Anton Family, the Wilcox Family, The Cecil Walker Trust Fund, the McCormick Family, the Tiano Family, Nick and Mary Francis Casey, Jim and Shirley Disen, The Flanery Family, Bill and Cindy McGhee, the Graney Family, Tony and Prudence Majestro, the Blanchard Family, Steve Dexter, Bill and Diane Kimble, Kyle and Kristen Mork, Jack and Joy Rossi, Julian and Felicia Espiritu, Msgr. Sadie, and His Excellency Most Reverend Bishop Michael Bransfield.

## CONDOLENCES

To the family of Laila Flores in the loss of her maternal grandmother.  
We pray that in this time of loss, you will feel God's love and find comfort in the presence of the Lord.



# November Calendar

<b>Tuesday, November 1</b>	<b>CCHS Boot Drive begins</b>
<b>Thursday, November 3</b>	<b>Conferences-No school</b>
<b>Friday, November 4</b>	<b>\$2 Clay County Dress Down Day</b>
<b>Tuesday, November 8</b>	<b>November Dress Down Day</b>
<b>Thursday, November 10</b>	<b>Flu shot permission forms due Lunch payments due 3rd grade Parent Lunch Clay County Information comes home</b>
<b>Friday, November 11</b>	<b>Veterans' Day-No School</b>
<b>Friday, November 18</b>	<b>Student flu shots (K-5) Last day for CCHS Boot Drive Popcorn Sale</b>
<b>Wednesday, November 23</b>	<b>11:30 dismissal -Thanksgiving Break!</b>
<b>Thursday, November 24</b>	<b>Happy Thanksgiving!</b>
<b>Friday, November 25</b>	<b>No School</b>
<b>Monday, November 28- Wednesday, November 30</b>	<b>Clay County Collection Days</b>
<b>Thursday, December 1</b>	<b>December Dress Down Day</b>
<b>Friday, December 2</b>	<b>Progress Report day</b>

