



# The Sacred Heart of the Matter



Charleston, WV

~ Sacred Heart Grade School ~

December 2021

## Our Mission

In the context of a Catholic 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.



Dear Parents,

It's Advent! This is one of my favorite times of the liturgical year. The Advent wreath is a beautiful way to mark the time through the season of Advent. As a child, I loved getting the wreath out and praying the prayers with each lit candle.

We lit the first one this past weekend in Mass. The first candle to be lit is purple and represents hope. What an important gift. The gift of hope. The prophet Isaiah anticipated the birth of Jesus— our hope for the world. No matter how bad the present may seem, Jesus is our hope. He will be with us. That is a great message for us now. We have hope.

I hope your Advent season brings you hope. I also hope you find joy and love and peace this time of year. What a wonderful season!

With love,

Mrs. Anne Davis

## 2022-2023 SHGS REGISTRATION

Information regarding registration for the 2022-2023 school year will be announced in January 2022.

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## CONGRATULATIONS!

To Michael Lohri for celebrating his First Communion.

To the following students on their excellent academic achievements:

**Principal's Honor Roll Recipients** (all A's): Alexandra Blanchard, Kali Shawkey, Alex Greco, & Annerae Henson.

**Honor Roll Recipients** (A's and 1-2 B's): Whitney Martin, Reese Morgan, Roman Sop, Luke Hinkle, Myles Lohri, Jonathan Wade, Julia Orcutt, & Elena Gould.

To Rhys Vogelsong on the birth of his baby brother and sister, Grant & Claire!  
To Vivian Brennan on the birth of her baby sister, Evelyn!





## THANK YOU



To SHGS students who sold a record setting **1320** boxes of peanuts for the SHGS PVA Peanut Shoppe fundraiser! And, to Courtney Lohri for planning and organizing yet another successful fundraiser!

To SHGS families who have donated many needed items for Catholic Charities & food for the Clay County Food Drive! All of the personal care items we donated to CC, along with items from CCHS, weighed in at a whopping 754 pounds. The food donations for Clay Co. were amazing. I will get you that total when the final count is given. Thank you for all your kindness!

### Advent & Christmas Celebrations!

SHGS will have a few celebrations of this beautiful Advent and Christmas season. In class, students will be learning about Christmas Around the World and doing various Advent projects.



Outside of class, the fifth grade students will be participating in the Charleston Christmas Parade on Thursday, December 9, 2021. With the help and guidance of Mrs. Haas, they will be singing and signing Christmas songs while walking along the parade route.

On Tuesday, December 14 at 6:30 pm, grades 1-5 will have a Christmas show outside on the blacktop (Similar to Halloween, weather permitting). More details will come for that as we get closer.

Kindergarten will be having a form of the beloved Gingerville. The classroom teachers will send more specific information for this event.

PreK will have a small Christmas program on Friday, Dec. 17. The teachers will have more details in their newsletters.

### DECEMBER DRESS DOWN DAYS

Wednesday, December 1  
Tuesday, December 7  
Wednesday, December 15  
Thursday, December 16  
Friday, December 17

December Dress Down Day  
#Donovanstrong Dress Down Day  
Clay County Thank You Dress Down Day  
Clay County Thank You Dress Down Day  
**Dress-Up Day** for Mass and Christmas parties  
grades 1-5



### CONDOLENCES

To Thomas Bailey and Lisette Bailey for 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.





## **TINY HEARTS, ECE AND PRE-K PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES**

Our Tiny Hearts, ECE and Pre-K Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for **Wednesday, February 2 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.**

Appointments can be made by calling the school office beginning **Tuesday, January 18.** These conferences will be held using Google Meet or Zoom. Teachers will be in touch with those details.

There will be **no school or ASC** for Tiny Hearts, ECE AND PRE-K classes (only) on this day.

### **Peanut Shoppe Pickup Details**

Peanut Shoppe order pickups are scheduled to be Wednesday, Dec. 8 and Thurs, Dec. 9 in the small dismissal room from 2:15-3:00. If you are able to pick up your orders on either of these days, it would be greatly appreciated. Please park your car and walk up to the door to get the items you ordered. Please do not park in the pickup line and come in to get your items. If you had a small order, we can send it home with your child after Thursday, Dec. 9. I will email further details in a weekend email.

### **SHGS DAY OF GIVING 2021**

Mark your calendars now for the 3rd annual SHGS Day of Giving!

**Wednesday, February 2, 2021 7:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.**

Donations to the Funding Our Future Campaign will fund **New SmartBoards for Classrooms in the main building (estimated cost-\$82,000. ) The boards in the classrooms now are aged and need replaced.**

## **SCHOOL CLOSINGS/DELAYS DUE TO SNOW/ICE**

Remember that school closings and delays are texted through Parent Alert, are announced on the SHGS website, and are tweeted through @SacredHeartGS.

- 1) SHGS/CCHS will **not** follow **any** of the Kanawha County Schools' weather-related procedures.
- 2) Families may connect to the SHGS website or listen to the radio/television for changes to SHGS/CCHS schedules. The following stations will be notified by 6:15 a.m. if there are changes to be made: WV Public Radio, WCHS, WCHS-TV, WSAZ-TV, WOWK TV, V100, 96.1, and WKAZ.
- 3) The SHGS website will be updated, a tweet will be sent through @SacredHeartGS, and a Parent Alert text will be sent.
- 4) If SHGS is closed due to inclement weather the closure applies to all classes TH-5th grade.
- 5) If no announcements are made for SHGS/CCHS, classes will be held on the regular schedule.
- 6) If a two-hour delay is announced, classes will start promptly at 10 a.m. The building will not open until 9:30 to give staff time to get to school. Please do not drop off your children before 9:30.
- 7) As always, if you cannot get your child to school for health or safety reasons, please notify the school.





# December Calendar



Wednesday, December 1	December Dress Down Day & Birthday Lunch Clay County food items due PVA General Meeting on Zoom
Tuesday, December 7	#Donovanstrong Dress Down Day
Wednesday, December 8	Mass– Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Thursday, December 9	Fifth grade in Charleston Christmas Parade (7:00 pm)
Friday, December 10	Popcorn day– Bring \$0.25 Progress Reports sent home
Tuesday, December 14	Christmas Program for grades 1-5 (6:30 pm) on blacktop
Wednesday, December 15	Clay County Thank You Dress Down Day
Thursday, December 16	Clay County Thank You Dress Down Day
Friday, December 17	Merry Christmas Dress Up Day Dress-up day grades 1-5 for Mass and Christmas parties <b>Half day dismissal</b> <b>11:00 TH, ECE</b> <b>11:20 Dismissal for 1-5</b>
Monday, December 20- Sunday, January 2	Christmas Break
Monday, January 3	Classes resume
Wednesday, January 5	January Dress Down Day and Birthday Lunch
Monday, January 10- Friday, February 11	MAP testing window for grades K-5

