



# The Sacred Heart of the Matter



## Our Mission

Charleston, WV ~ Sacred Heart Grade School ~ February 2017

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.



Dear parents and students,

What a wonderful week we have had celebrating Catholic Schools Week! From dress down days, to art and service projects; through prayer and song, our school has celebrated all of the wonderful parts that make up our loving community. Catholic Schools Week allows each of us to reflect upon our city, our families, our faculty and staff, our country, our students, and vocations. While we are aware of and thankful for each of these unique and important parts every day, Catholic Schools Week allows us to celebrate our entire community with all of our might!

Pope Francis wrote, "The key role of the Catholic Church is practicing closeness to all people by working to provide for needs and to show God's love for all." How blessed we have been this week to have the opportunity to do just these things! May we carry on the celebration of our Sacred Heart Grade School community by continuing to find ways to meet the needs of others and share God's love with all.

In peace,

Susan Malinoski



To the following fifth graders for their academic achievement in the second academic quarter. The criteria for the Principal's Honor Roll is all A's; for the Honor Roll A's and a maximum of two B's:

### Principal's Honor Roll

Andrew Hanna, Gwyneth Lanning, Joey Muchow, Avery Persinger, Olivia Persinger, Sarah Rahin, Tony Singh

### Honor Roll

James Basdekis, Gio Cinco, Jack Curry, Christa Fisher, Tyler Good, Samara Harrison, Micah Hill, Emilie McNeil, Hannah Sullivan

To **Joey Muchow** who has been selected to receive the **Aquinas Medal** at the statewide Catholic Schools Dinner to be held on Sunday afternoon, April 2, in Morgantown.

The Aquinas Medal is awarded to one student from each of the 27 Catholic schools in West Virginia. The Medal was named for St. Thomas Aquinas, the patron saint of students. The award is intended to recognize a student who represents the qualities Catholic schools seek to instill in their students. Moral and spiritual values, service to their schools and community, as well as academic achievement are criteria used in the selection. Well done, Joey!

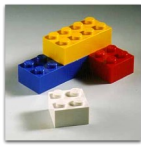
To **Jonah DiCocco** who placed 4th out of 60 students participating in the Kanawha County Spelling Bee! Bravo, Jonah! Thank you for representing SHGS so well!

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Visit the Sacred Heart Grade School website [shgs.us](http://shgs.us) for news and information.



## LEGO BRICK HOME BUILDERS PROJECT



The fourth grade is participating in the LEGO Brick Home Builders Project, sponsored by The Home Builders Association of Greater Charleston. The first step of this project-based learning competition is to submit a buildable blueprint.

Thank you to the following fourth graders for submitting designs:

Isaac Collins, Olivia Hayes, Kieran Kingery, Grace Looney, Jonah DiCocco, Savanna Lovejoy, Jack Seagle, John Christian Settle, and Jio Zuniga

And congratulations to our winners!

Second place-Telina Williams  
First place: Caleb Milam

## JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

Students in grades K-5 will participate in Jump Rope for Heart during recess on Valentine's Day, February 14. All students should wear their gym uniforms. Details from Mrs. Mullen will follow in Friday Folders soon!



## SHGS CURRENT 5th GRADERS APPLYING TO CCHS



**Wednesday, February 22**

Two informational meetings for parents of prospective students will be held at **8:15 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. in the CCHS Library.** Following both sessions, families will have the opportunity to tour the school.

**Thursday, February 23**

Our prospective six graders will visit CCHS—**8:45—11:15 a.m.**

**Saturday, February 25**

Admissions test for all prospective CCHS students at **10:00 a.m.**

**Application information available on the CCHS website:  
[www.charlestoncatholic-crw.org](http://www.charlestoncatholic-crw.org)**

## DRESS DOWN DAYS

February 1  
February 2

Red, White, and Blue Dress Down Day for Catholic Schools Week  
"My Favorite!" Dress Down Day for Catholic Schools Week- dress to share your favorite team, school, book, place to visit, etc.

February 7  
February 14

February Dress Down Day  
Valentine's Day and Jump Rope for Heart – please wear gym uniforms

## SNOW DAY/DELAY NOTIFICATION



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## TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME

Mark your calendars now for SHGS day at the ballpark. Join us at Power Park on **April 23, 2017!**

## SHGS TENTATIVE SCHOOL CALENDAR 2017-2018

Tuesday, August 1	SHGS office reopens
Wednesday, August 16	First day of school for students-11:30 dismiss
Thursday, August 17	11:30 dismiss
Friday, August 18	First full day of school
Monday, September 4	Labor Day-no school
Friday, October 6	Professional Development Day- no school for students
Friday, October 20	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> nine weeks
Friday October 27	1 <sup>st</sup> nine week report cards go home
Thursday, November 2	Parent/Teacher Conferences-no school for students
Friday, November 10	Veterans Day
Wednesday, November 22	11:30 dismissal for Thanksgiving Break
Thursday, November 23-	Thanksgiving Break
Friday, November 24	
Friday, December 15	11:30 dismissal Christmas Break
Monday, December 18-	Christmas Break
Monday, January 1	
Tuesday, January 2	Classes resume
Friday, January 12	End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> nine weeks
Monday, January 15	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day- no school
Wednesday, January 17	Preschool Parent/Teacher conferences- no school ECE & PreK
Friday, January 19	2 <sup>nd</sup> nine weeks report cards go home
Monday, February 19	Presidents' Day-no school
Friday, March 16	End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> nine weeks
Friday, March 23	3 <sup>rd</sup> nine weeks report cards go home
Friday, March 30-	Easter Break
Sunday, April 8	
Monday, April 9	Classes resume
Monday, May 28	Memorial Day- no school
Friday, June 1	End of 4 <sup>th</sup> nine weeks, report cards go home, last day of school for students



THANK YOU!



To Michael Graney and Lehigh Gas Wholesale for awarding a \$500 grant to Sacred Heart Grade School!

To our 5th graders who served as ambassadors during our Open House: Sophia Bautista, Reece Bragg, Sam Delgra, Angelyn Fisher, Christa Fisher, Samara Harrison, Gwyneth Lanning, Kate McElhinny, Olivia Persinger, Lauren Harrah, Micah Hill, Kate Lane, Avery Persinger, Madelyn Spangler, Michael Strickland, Emma Breikreutz, Tyler Brown, Emilie McNeil, Joey Muchow, Johnny Preston, Sarah Rahin, Vincent Scalzo, Bethany Settle, Tony Singh, Hannah Sullivan, Calyn Taylor, Hunter Wilkes, and Roxy Winter

To our Catholic Schools Week Committee and all of our teachers for planning and organizing a wonderful celebration week!

To our PVA ....for a wonderful Family Fun Night at the South Charleston Memorial Ice Rink!  
....for treat bags and an amazing international luncheon to celebrate our faculty and staff  
during Catholic Schools Week!  
...for a successful and fun Scholastic Book Fair!

To all of our families for their generous donations to Pennies for People and the RISE book drive!

To Sacred Heart parishioner, Kathy Boland, who donated several beautiful original pieces of art for the halls for SHGS!

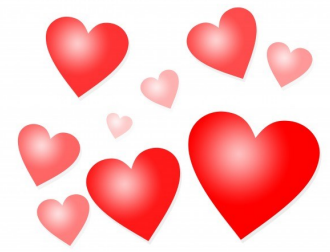


## CONDOLENCES

To Jude Rago on the loss of his maternal uncle  
To Jeffery Reynolds on the loss of his maternal grandmother  
To Samantha Beachy on the loss of her grandfather

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

# February Calendar



<b>Tuesday, February 7</b>	<b>Dress down day</b>
<b>Wednesday, February 8</b>	<b>February birthday lunch</b>
<b>Thursday, February 9</b>	<b>3rd grade Golden Friends Lunch</b>
<b>Friday, February 10</b>	<b>Lunch payments due</b>
<b>Tuesday, February 14</b>	<b>Valentine's Day Exchanges in classrooms Jump Rope for Heart (wear gym uniforms)</b>
<b>Friday, February 17</b>	<b>Yearbook order forms go home</b>
<b>Monday, February 20</b>	<b>Presidents' Day –no school</b>
<b>Wednesday, February 22</b>	<b>CCHS prospective parents' meeting 8:15 a.m., 6:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Thursday, February 23</b>	<b>2nd grade Golden Friends Lunch 5th graders visit CCHS</b>
<b>Friday, February 24</b>	<b>Progress report day Popcorn Day- \$0.25</b>
<b>Saturday, February 25</b>	<b>CCHS Admissions Test –10:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Tuesday, February 28</b>	<b>Mardi Gras celebration</b>
<b>Wednesday, March 1</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday mass– Friday specials</b>
<b>Thursday, March 2</b>	<b>4th grade Golden Friends Lunch</b>
<b>Friday, March 3</b>	<b>Wednesday specials</b>

