From the Heart | Weekly Newsletter of Sacred Heart School

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Our Mission || Sacred Heart School is a Catholic community of faith, service, and academic excellence.

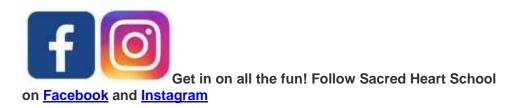
Key Dates

- Nov 11 No School, Veterans Day
- Nov 12 Picture Retake Day
- Nov 14 Open House, 5:30 pm
- Nov 19 Fill the Heart, Sacred Heart Day of Giving
- Nov 25, 26, 27 No School, Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Nov 28, 29 No School, Thanksgiving
- Nov 29 Dec 5 Online Auction
- Dec 4 Shoe Liturgy, church, 8:45-9:45 am
- Dec 11 Advent Program, church, 6-7 pm
- Dec 19 Auction Gingerbread Party, 3:30-5pm, gym
- Dec 20 No School, Professional Development Day
- Dec 21 Jan 5 No School, Christmas break

2019-20 Full Year Calendar

Lunch Links (November menu available!) – Info/Menu, Order Here

From the Office





We are less than two weeks away from our first fundraiser for the 2019-2020 school year! Please join us on Tuesday, November 19th for our annual "Fill the Heart" Day of Giving to support the SHS Annual Fund!

Why do we need to raise funds for our school?

We strive to keep Sacred Heart School affordable for all families. While tuition is primarily used to pay for teacher and staff salaries, fundraising revenue is used to support school programs that foster learning and growth as well as the current operational needs that affect our students. Why support the Sacred Heart School Annual Fund?

100% of your gifts made to the SHS Annual Fund go *directly* to our school. Your gift is essential in fulfilling our mission to provide an excellent academic education in an environment of faith and virtue. Gifts are tax-deductible and available for corporate match programs. To see if your gift qualifies, please click <u>matching gifts</u>.

How can I help?

Please join us on or before November 19th to make your Annual Fund gift to *Fill the Heart*! You can make a pledge or donation at <u>SHS Annual Fund</u>. Our 2019-2020 SHS Annual Fund goal is \$275,000.

For more information on the Sacred Heart School Annual Fund and additional ways you can give, please contact Katy Gregg.

Thank you to everyone who has already donated to the SHS Annual Fund this year! We are truly grateful for your support of our students and school!

All School Fall Open House - November 14th

Sacred Heart's annual Open House will be held on Thursday, November 14th from 5:30 to 7pm. This is a great opportunity for you to invite friends, neighbors, and relatives to come and see our school community! Prospective families will have the opportunity to learn more about our school and the admissions process. The evening will include guided campus tours done by students and parents. Teachers in all grades pre-kindergarten through 8th grade will be available to speak to families about their programs throughout the evening.

Please contact Laura Leach if you know a family interested in SHS as she would love to speak with them, send them an invitation, and watch for them that evening. Your friends are some of our best future SHS families!

Current families in 4th and 5th grade are also encouraged to attend the Open House and meet our middle school teachers and hear a panel presentation by recent graduates of SHS. It is a great opportunity to learn more about our outstanding curriculum and programs in grades 6-8.

Parent-led Mass - November 20th

Our Parent-led Mass in October was a success! Now there is another opportunity for parents to show their school spirit and help to lead Mass on November 20 at 8:45 am. Spots fill quickly, so sign up today.



Shoe Liturgy - December 4th

For more almost 20 years, Sacred Heart School has been partnering with Treehouse to help children in foster care. Each year our students and staff have the opportunity to donate a pair of new shoes at our Shoe Liturgy. On December 4th, students will bring a pair of new shoes in an unwrapped box to Mass. The shoes will all be blessed at the end of Mass and then sent to Treehouse. We encourage all students to find some ways to earn some or all of the cost of the shoes that they will donate by doing extra chores at home or jobs for neighbors.

Welcome Mrs. Riehl

Mrs. Gabby Riehl returns to Sacred Heart School today as our long-term substitute in 2nd grade while Mrs. McGinnis is on maternity leave. Mrs. Riehl previously taught 5th grade at SHS and then moved to Hawaii with her family for her husband's job. But she missed Sacred Heart School so much that she decided to come back and teach in the 2nd grade until February!

Pick Up Time

When picking up in the lower lot please remember:

1) If you park in a "front" spot, do not leave your car so that you don't block the person behind you.

2) Leave the parking lot only from the exit at the north end. Do not exit through the entrance on 14th Street.

3) Follow all directions from the staff members on duty.

4) Drive slowly and carefully through the parking lot.

November is a Month for Remembrance

The month of November is set aside in the Church to remember all those who have died. We will have a Book of Remembrance in the school lobby for parents, staff, or students to write the names of friends and loved ones who have died so that we can pray for them throughout the month of November.

Annual Parish Pledge

It's time to renew your annual pledge for the support of the many ministries of the parish. Twenty-two percent of what you give to the parish comes to our school to support our programs, facilities, and instruction. Every family who receives the Contributing Parishioner Tuition Rate is required to have an annual pledge on file and make regular progress toward fulfilling their pledge. You can update your <u>pledge online</u> or with a pledge card from the church at Mass or the parish office.



We spent the month of October sharing the ways that we keep our SHS students safe online. Just because it isn't October anymore doesn't mean you can't keep these conversations going at home! Use these resources from Common Sense Media to continue talking to your child about online safety.

- 1. Watch this 1-minute video that shares <u>5 Internet Safety Tips for Kids</u>. Make sure to discuss things like:
 - a. What should you do when a website asks you to fill out all of your personal information? How do you know when it is safe to provide this information? What information is safe to share with others?
 - b. Why is it unsafe to send your picture to strangers? What if you delete the picture after sending it?
 - c. What makes a good password? Who are safe people to share passwords with? What should you do if you realize that someone may have learned your password? What's the big deal if someone does learn your password?
 - d. What is a virus? What are the possible affects of downloading a virus? How do you know if it is safe to download something?
 - e. What can I do if I receive an unkind message online? Will I be a tattle-tale if I tell an adult? Why should I always be careful about anything I send online?
- 2. Explore <u>Parents Need to Know- Privacy and Internet Safety</u>'s wealth of knowledge, articles, and tips just for parents!

Connect: How does it feel to be safe online? How does it feel to be unsafe? If you make a mistake, can you fix it? How?

Questions? Comments? Please contact Deanna Simons.

From the Auction Committee



Thank you to all the families who met the Procurement deadline! Free Dress for your student is TOMORROW, Nov. 8th Procurement Form

Auction T-shirts are on sale now!

With the purchase of a t-shirt you will be supporting this year's auction and your student will receive <u>3 free dress days!</u> The free dress days are 12/5, 1/14 and 2/7. Please note the t-shirt is required with free dress on the bottom. Click <u>here</u> to order online or feel free to use the order form coming home in student backpacks.

Auction Party Sign ups

Gingerbread Party - December 19th from 3:30 to 5:00! Spots are limited and sign ups go live on November 14th. Please look for the link in that weeks From-The-Heart. **Moms Cookie Party** – December 5th from 6pm to 9pm. Once again spots are limited, and sign ups go live on November 14th. Please look for the link in that weeks From-The-Heart. **On- line Auction** – will go live on November 29th! This is a great way to support the school while doing some Christmas shopping.

From the Development Office

Corporate Matching Gifts

Sacred Heart School greatly appreciates the support of many of our parents' employers through corporate matching gifts and volunteer programs. You can click <u>matching gifts</u> to view your company's policy. If you have questions please contact <u>Katy Gregg</u> in our Development Office or visit our school website.

From Parent's Club



Rain... Rain... Go Away! Sacred Heart has a great way for you to stay dry. A SHS Spartans Umbrella!!! The cost is \$25.00 and you can purchase them at the front office.

Sacred Heart Activities



Chess is coming back to Sacred Heart this January!

Classes at Sacred Heart School will be on Tuesdays, 3:30 - 4:30 pm, from January 7th through March 17th (except February 18th).

Visit Chess Club website for more information. You can register here.

Meals for Fr. John—"Cead Mile Failte!"

Please help provide Fr. John with twice-weekly meals. Fr. John is used to living in a rectory and having meals prepared for him. The more meal makers we have, the lighter the load for us all! We so appreciate Fr. John's pastoral presence with us for the upcoming year; our meals welcome him and thank him. You may sign up directly for the <u>Meal Train online for Fr. John</u>, or you may email <u>Stephanie McIntyre</u> or call her at 425-990-8696.

Community Activities

The 40th Annual St. Brendan School Holiday Craft Fair, November 9th & 10th.

Come to see 110 craft vendor booths (only handcrafted items), refreshments, and bake goods, throughout our 2 story building at the St Brendan Holiday Craft Fair. Participate in the Holiday Gift Raffle, and come meet Santa! Craft vendors were juried and selected from approximately 400 applications. Admission is free and parking is available on the streets near St. Brendan. Bring your friends and family!

Open Saturday, Nov. 9th from 9 am to 5 pm and Sunday Nov. 10th from 11 am to 4 pm. More information in Saint Brendan Holiday Craft Fair page

From the Parish

Pope Francis intention for fall -- A Missionary "Spring" in the Church. That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the Church.

Hope of the resurrection is clear in the First reading and Gospel for the <u>Thirty-second Sunday</u> <u>in Ordinary Time</u>. They remind us that this life is temporary but life after this is eternal and all that will matter is that we are with the Lord. Hope is the theological virtue that gives us the strength to believe that God will never leave us alone. While this material life--as we know it today--will end, the spiritual life will not, our spirit will live forever.

Men's Group Meetings

These continue to meet every Saturday morning at the Parish Hall at 8:00am for an hour. Bring a friend and share this hour of fellowship in Christ with fellow parishioners.

Peach in Christ - Ignacio Dávila

>Click <u>here</u> for the latest Sacred Heart Parish bulletin. If you wish to view an older bulletin, click <u>here</u>.

Our Vision || Sacred Heart School is committed to providing an excellent academic education in a welcoming environment of faith and virtue. We accomplish this by building an active partnership between our families, school, and parish. Graduates of Sacred Heart School are servant leaders who are well prepared to embrace the life that God calls them to live.

From the Heart is published weekly during the school year on Thursdays. If you have content to include in future newsletters, please <u>obtain administration permission</u> and then send to <u>fth@sacredheart.org</u> by **Tuesday** night.



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