



Catholic Academy's Weekly Newsletter
Adventure Awaits
 November 20, 2024



<p>Thurs. 11/21 Honor Hat Day</p> <p>Cheerleading 2:30-5 JVG 5:30-7; JVB 7-8</p>	<p>Fri. 11/22 Gr. K-8 Mass</p> <p>LAST DAY for Thanksgiving Drive</p> <p>LAST DAY to sign up for Cookies & Cocoa with Santa</p>	<p>Sat. 11/23 Craft & Vendor Show 10-4</p>
<p>Mon. 11/25 Pay \$1 and dress in Super Mario Brothers clothes or colors (red and blue)</p> <p>Musical Rehearsal 2:30-4:30</p> <p>Basketball VG 4:30 - 5:30 VB 5:30 - 7:00</p>	<p>Tues. 11/26 8:30-9:10 Homeroom Celebrations 9:15 Thanksgiving Prayer Service -> Balloons over Broadway -> 1st Trimester Honor Assembly</p> <p>11:00 dismissal - whole school - NO After-School Care</p> <p>Parent Teacher Conferences</p>	<p>Wed. 11/27 - Fri. 11/29 NO SCHOOL</p> <p>Happy Thanksgiving!</p>
<p>Mon. 12/2 Wreaths and Poinsettia Pick Up in the Gym from 12-3</p> <p>Musical Rehearsal 2:30-4</p> <p>Basketball VG 4:00 - 5:30 VB 5:30 - 7:00</p>	<p>Tues. 12/3 LAST ASL & Game Club Poetry Club</p> <p>Basketball Varsity Girls 3:00-5:00 Varsity Boys 5:30-7:00</p>	<p>Wed. 12/4 Chorus Club</p> <p>Basketball JV Boys 3:00-5:00 JV Girls 5:30-7:00</p>

SCHOOL NEWS:

It is with a **heavy heart** that we share that Father Mario's mother passed away in the Philippines last week. Please send your thoughts and prayers to him and his family. We would like to raise money for mass intentions for his mom by having a "Super Mario Monday" on Monday, Nov. 25. Pay \$1 and dress in Super Mario Brothers clothing or the colors red and blue.

The **December** school, breakfast, and lunch calendars are all enclosed in today's folder.

JOIN US! On Tuesday, Nov. 26th, we will be having a Thanksgiving Prayer Service in the Gym starting at 9:15. We will be having our 1st ever "Balloons over Broadway" experience followed by our 1st Trimester Honor Assembly! Invitations to our **Honor Assembly** are enclosed in today's folders.

Student Council - Thank you to all those who have sent in food items for our Thanksgiving Drive. **Friday is the last day to bring in your donations** to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. All food collected will be located outside the main office!

Reminder: **Blessing of the Bambinelli will take place on Monday, December 16th.** We encourage families to buy nativity scenes, if you don't already have them present in your homes.

FAITH FORMATION - Thank you to those who have turned in your sign-up sheets. There is still time if you are interested in joining the **Christmas Pageant** on Christmas Eve!

CLEANER NEEDED: We are looking to fill a cleaner position starting Dec. 2. Please contact Principal Richards if you or someone you know is interested. Hours are 3-7 Monday - Friday.

ALUMNI CONGRATULATIONS:

Congratulations to our former students for making the 1st Marking Period Honor roll:

- ★ Canisius HS: Jesse Cap & Luke Esposito
- ★ Mount Saint Mary's - Annabelle U'Ren, Grace Cohen, Parleen Dosanjh, Ellie Muth, & Gia Sgro

FSA UPDATES:

- **LAST CALL! Cookies & Cocoa with Santa** sign-ups are due on Friday. The family event will be held on Dec. 7th this year! Contact Amanda Sweney at asweney@catholicacademynf.org with any questions.

SPORTS UPDATES:

- ★ **Soccer Shots** will begin for grades Pre-K 3+4 on January 8th. More information to come.
- ★ **After school clubs (ASL, Game, Poetry Club)** - There are no clubs Nov. 26, and the last one for ASL and Game will be Dec. 3. Poetry Club will end a week later on Dec. 10th.
- ★ **Musical** - follow your schedules and be sure to check Google Classroom.
- ★ **Basketball & Cheer** - Follow your schedules and be sure to turn in your permission slips.
- ★ **Basketball concessions** are in need of some new volunteers. The money raised helps support our year end Sports luncheon. Interested parents can email Mr. D. at jdzielski@catholicacademynf.org.

FUNDRAISING UPDATES:

- ❖ **Square One** - Thank you to everyone who has already placed an order for the square 1 art fundraiser! Information went home with your child last week! Keep placing your orders featuring your child's art online! Simply search for your child's art using Art Search, and enter state, school name, and your student's name. Orders are due by Dec. 2. You can even upload additional art if you like, using Art Upload! Any questions, feel free to email Miss Meranto - ameranto@catholicacademynf.org!
- ❖ We hope to see you on Saturday for our **CANF Fall Craft and Vendor Show!** Thank you for supporting local crafters and vendors from our community!
- ❖ **ATTENTION FUNDRAISING FAMILIES:** In today's folder you will find your reminder for the **12 Days of Christmas Gift Card Raffle** if you have not yet turned in all 25 required tickets and payment. They are due on Monday, Dec. 2, but we will not have a folder next week. Anyone who sold extra will get their incentive tickets in their folders today as well.
- ❖ Our **Annual Candygram and Stocking Stuffer Sales have begun** and will continue until Friday, Dec. 13th.
- ❖ We will be having our **Santa's Secret Shop** open for all students after our Cookies with Santa on Dec. 7th. The school children will be able to shop Merry Moose items beginning on Mon. Dec. 9th- Weds. Dec. 12th. More information to come.
- ❖ **LOOKING AHEAD!** Our **HUGE Auction** will be March 7 & 8 this year. Keep us in mind when you are doing your Black Friday Shopping. Get your donations in early and earn extra Auction tickets! All fundraising families are required to donate a basket of at least \$25, and we also encourage non-fundraising families to donate. ****For each basket (up to 3) donated by Friday, Jan. 17th, you will receive a free sheet of green tickets.****

Looking ahead to the week of December 16-20:

- 16 - Blessing of the Bambinelli (bring in your baby Jesus from your home manger/nativity scene); 8:30 - Pre-K 3 Christmas Program; 10:30 Pre-K 4 Christmas Program; K-8 Jesus' Birthday Celebration (Dress how you would if you attended Jesus' Birthday party.)
- 17 - Special Christmas Day - Each class has chosen a theme for this day, and you may dress for the theme. Classroom teachers will give more information.
 - ◆ Pre-K 3 - Prep & Landing
 - ◆ Pre-K 4 - Gingerbread
 - ◆ K - Elf Day!
 - ◆ 1st & 2nd - Eloise at Christmas Time
 - ◆ 3rd & 4th - Grinch Day!
 - ◆ 5th - Cozy Cabin Day!
 - ◆ 6/7/8th - Home Alone

- 18 - Different this year! At 8:30am will be our whole school Christmas run through. Pre-K 3 and 4 will do a few songs from their program followed by K-2 Christmas Program and then the musical. Dress how your teacher suggests to you for your performances. At 11am, Cardinal O'Hara will perform a Christmas concert for us. Stocking Stuffers will go home in the Wednesday folders.
- 19 - Dress in Christmas clothes. This Christmas Stations day. Candygrams will also be delivered. At 7pm, our K-2 students will perform their Christmas Program followed by the Christmas Musical!
- 20 - Dress in Cozy clothes. This is a 10:30am dismissal with NO After School Care.

****THERE WILL BE NO NEWSLETTER NEXT WEEK.****

Wishing all of our families a very thankful Thanksgiving!

