November 3, 2020

From the Principal's Office

Our school is kicking off its Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive which assists our sponsoring parish communities of Queen of the Universe and St. Frances Cabrini, in providing Thanksgiving dinner to those in need. Each student is invited to bring in one canned good/food item. The following food items have been assigned to each grade:

- **PK and Kindergarten**: Cake or brownie/dessert mixes
- Grade 1: Boxed Potatoes
- Grade 2: Canned vegetables
- Grade 3: Canned fruit
- Grade 4: Turkey gravy and canned cranberries
- Grade 5: Boxed stuffing mix
- Grade 6: Canned fruit or vegetables
- Grade 7, 8 & Teachers/Staff/Administration: Cash or gift cards toward the purchase of a turkey

Food items will be collected and stored at the front entrance of the school. Students may drop off their donations in the morning as they enter school. Our food drive will go up until November 17th. Any student or family member from any grade is welcome to donate cash or gift cards toward the purchase of turkeys (due to COVID19 and limited storage, we will not be accepting turkey donations). Last year we were able to provide over 40 complete meals for members of our parish and local communities. We thank you for your generous response to the needs of our own parish families and those in our communities.

Hawk Walk Update!

\$30,000+

AND donations will be accepted up until <u>November 6th</u>. Your generosity is amazing; thank you!











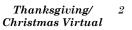
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To Do List :

- Pray for an end to the pandemic
- Please be sure to have your mask on properly!
- Attend Sunday Mass (see page four for Mass times)
- Donate to the Hawk Walk!
- Order Catholic Schools Week T-Shirts by 10/10/2020

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Thanksgiving/Christmas Virtual Learning Plan

We value the enhanced partnership with our parents regarding the monitoring of the health of our students prior to coming back to school. This has been tremendously effective and is key to having **no reported COVID cases** here at Holy Family.

During the upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, we will rely on that partnership even more, particularly as it pertains to travel. We understand that some families need to quarantine prior to travel to visit aging or compromised family members. To facilitate this, we have virtual learning available during this period to make it easier for you. Please communicate with your child's teacher(s) to facilitate this transition. Also, please understand that if your child/our student travels to a state or location listed on the <u>PA quarantine list</u> they do need to quarantine and learn from home for 14 days following your return.

Archdiocesan policy states that a negative test does not allow for a return from quarantine. If the destination is added to the state list while you are there, even if it was not on the list prior to travel, students would still need to quarantine. If this is in your plans, please let your child's teacher(s) know and plan to pick up all materials prior to your travel.

Another area of concern in which we need your help relates to keeping your child at home if a family member has been exposed to COVID. Moving your child to virtual learning in this situation, can prevent the unnecessary quarantine of other students and provide a safer environment for all.

Traveling to spend time with families is an important activity and one that we value. However, it required additional planning during the pandemic to ensure the safety of all those that travel and those that remain at home.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Due to COVID restrictions, in person parent-teacher conferences are not permitted at this time. But our teachers are interested in touching base with parents who may have questions or concerns at this point in the trimester. By the end of the week, grades will be updated in MSP and by Friday, a Progress Report will be available for parents to view. If, after viewing the Report, you feel a conference is needed, please reach out to your child's teacher. Conferences can be conducted through email, phone or Zoom.



Important Information!

Uniform Reminder: We are now in Winter Uniforms; no shorts please! School policy states that students may wear black school shoes or plain black sneakers (no embellishments). Please be sure that your child is wearing proper shoes each day.

Birthday Treats: We will continue to celebrate our student's birthdays, here at school! Please consider sending in a small individually wrapped item, such as a pencil in a Ziploc bag, for your child to share on his/her birthday. You may want to consider donating a book for the classroom library! Thank you for understanding that we are no longer permitted to share food items in our classrooms.

Masks/Gaiters: Our students are doing a great job coming to school wearing a mask/gaiter; thank you!! Please be sure to check that your child's mask/gaiter fits well; face masks/gaiters need to cover the nose and mouth at all times. Gaiters need to be lined.

STREAM: Due to Covid-19, our STREAM days have been put on hold for the foreseeable future. The purpose of STREAM is to have our students and classes work collaboratively and this is not possible with our current social distancing guidelines.

Dress Down Days: Each month, our Student Council sponsors a \$1 Dress Down Day. Proceeds of our dress down days go towards Student Council sponsored activities.

Amazon Smile: Please consider <u>designating our school</u> when shopping on Amazon. Our school benefits by receiving quarterly deposits from Amazon!

Parish News

Queen of the Universe Father John, Pastor



Parish Bulletin

<u>Mass Schedule</u>

<u>Tuesday-Friday</u>: 8:30 am <u>Saturday Vigil:</u> 4:00 pm <u>Sunday</u>: 7:30am ~ 9:30am* ~ 11:30am

*Mass will continue to be livestreamed.

Note: No music at 7:30am and 11:30am

<u>St. Frances Cabrini</u> Msgr. McCormac, Pastor Msgr. Magee, Weekend Assistant



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Pot of Gold Winners (11/2/2020) Next week's jackpot will be: \$84,000!

Mass Schedule

<u>Monday-Saturday:</u> 9:30 am <u>Saturday Vigil:</u> 5:30pm <u>Sunday:</u> 7:00am ~ 9:00am ~ 11:00am*

*Mass will continue to be livestreamed.

Sacrament Information

<u>First Reconciliation</u> Parent meeting will be on **Thursday, November 12th at 7pm** in **Monsignor Woods Hall**. This meeting is for all St. Frances Cabrini parents/guardians who have a child receiving **First Reconciliation on Saturday, March 20, 2021**.

<u>First Holy Communion</u> Parent meeting will be on **Thursday, November 19th at 7pm** in **Monsignor Woods Hall**. This meeting is for all parents/guardians who have a child receiving **First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 8, 2021**

> <u>Confirmation</u> Thursday, March 25, 2021

