

Roman Catholic High School Parent Newsletter



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Calendar Notice: 3/18 Bell 2; 3/24 and 3/25 NO SCHOOL

Purple vs Gold Challenge- UPDATE

Friday Bingo 3/4: PURPLE + 15, GOLD + 5

Current Standings: Team Purple: 1,055 Team Gold: 1,000

Mothers' Club



The Mothers' Club is seeking candidates for the next school year's Board. The Board is a group of women who help organize, plan, and oversee the social and fundraising activities that support the students, faculty, and staff at Roman. If you're interested, reach out to mothersclub@romancatholichs.com for additional info regarding positions, requirements, and election timeline. Thank you for your consideration!

Mother Son Dance is Saturday, March 26, 2022 at The Drexelbrook. Tickets can be purchased here. Last day to purchase tickets is March 18, 2022. Email Mothersondance22@gmail.com with your seating arrangement requests. We will do our best to accommodate! Don't miss out on this opportunity to create memories of a lifetime with your son!

<u>Spring Designer Bag Bingo - Sunday, April 24, 2022</u> - Save the date! Tickets will be going on sale soon! Stay tuned!

Continuous Improvement Survey 2022

Attention All Parents/Guardians:

All parents/guardians are strongly encouraged to complete the yearly <u>Continuous Improvement Survey</u> for Roman Catholic HS. This survey helps us to improve the educational experience for present and future Roman students. Your opinions MATTER! Help us become a better school!

Click here to access the survey. Roman's Survey ID is: H#214

Romauction 2022!

The 2022 Romauction is scheduled for *Saturday, April* 23, 2022! It will start at 6:00pm in the school gymnasium. This year's theme is Roman Shore! Come join us for a night of fun, food, drinks, music and get in the beachy mood!

Interested in donating a LIVE or SILENT auction item?

Interested in joining the Romauction Committee? Please email romauction@romancatholichs.com with any questions!



CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE TICKETS TO ROMAUCTION 2022!

All proceeds from the auction go directly towards clubs, activities, and athletics for the students of Roman Catholic High School!

Purchase a special shout out to your son or his team for \$10! One line advertisement in our tribute video (100 words or less). The tribute video will be displayed the night of the event. This would be a great way to honor students/graduating seniors.

Click here for information about the 2022 Specialty Item!

Sneak peak at special items to be auctioned off:



SENIOR PROM PACKAGE
JUNIOR PROM PACKAGE
GRADUATION 2022 RESERVED SEATING
CLASS OF 2023 RING MASS RESERVED SEATING



Please help our Auction Committee cut the costs of our boys' athletics and activities and spread the word! Please feel free to pass this flyer out at your places of work, weekend businesses, to family and friends, etc! We appreciate your support!

2022-2023 Facts Financial Aid application

2022-2023 Facts Financial Aid application can be completed at <u>factsmgt.com</u>. There is no district code. Parents can choose parent log in, payment plans/financial aid, then create a username/password for new parents. If the parent already has an account, please log in with an existing username/password. A Facts representative can be reached at 1-866-441-4637 if you need any assistance.

PROOF OF VACCINATION INFORMATION

If your son is vaccinated, please provide proof of vaccination to our School Nurse, Mrs. Schickling, at mschickling@romancatholichs.com.

When there is a positive Covid case reported to the school, students who are fully vaccinated are NOT required to quarantine. Please email Mrs. Schickling with any questions!



CSC- Can Tab Collection

The Community Service Corps is collecting can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House of Philadelphia! *Collect those tabs throughout the month of March*. You can fill a pringles can, milk carton, or coffee can! The student that collects the most tabs by weight will receive a \$50 Visa Gift Card, with two \$25 consolation prizes!

Morning Drop-Off

Reminder: when you are dropping your son off in the morning, please *do not* block the parking lot entrance!

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent-Teacher conferences are scheduled for the evening of *Thursday, March 24th* from **5pm-7pm**. The meetings will take place in-person at Roman. Parents can meet with teachers on a first come first serve basis. Meetings are not mandatory, but it is strongly recommended that the parents of students whose sons are failing a course attend and meet with the teacher of the course(s).

PROM INFORMATION

Please click <u>here</u> for important information regarding the **Senior Prom**.



Please click here for important information regarding the *Junior Prom*.

MANUP PHILLY

PHILADELPHIA'S ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE will be held on March 19, 2022!

"COME BACK TO ME"

ManUp Philly 2022 invites the men of the Archdiocese Of

Philadelphia to the 14th Annual Men's Spirituality Conference to be held IN PERSON on Saturday, March 19th at Immaculata University. We encourage all men – fathers, sons, brothers, friends – to join us for an inspiring day of faith and fellowship. Come back to the Lord. Join your brothers in Christ! Click here for details on how to register!



Reminders from Guidance



Congratulations to all seniors who have been accepted to a college or university! Please bring in your acceptance letters and scholarships to Sister Jane in the Guidance Office. Encourage your son to check in the cafeteria and near the guidance office for the list of acceptances and scholarships. If they think anything is missing, have them see Sister.

Students also will receive a candy bar for their acceptances and scholarships! **So far seniors** have earned over \$11 million in scholarships!

Click <u>here</u> for a list of Summer Programs available for our students!

If you believe your son is struggling emotionally please let us know. We understand that the pandemic has been particularly difficult for students.

Grief Group

If you believe your son would benefit from attending, please reach out to Mrs. Hoole at ihoole@romancatholichs.com.

As always, the members of the Roman Catholic High School Guidance Team are available to assist the students at Catholic High! If your son is ever in need of assistance, please reach out to his counselor!

• Grade-Level Counselors:

- Mrs. Desmond (<u>mdesmond@romancatholichs.com</u>)--Guidance Director/Juniors and Seniors
- Mrs. Snyder (csnyder@romancatholichs.com)--Sophomores
- Mrs.Connell (<u>mconnell@romancatholichs.com</u>)--*Freshmen*



- <u>Family Connections Counselors:</u> The Family Connections staff at Roman Catholic provides an extra layer of support for students who may be struggling with personal/emotional issues that are affecting their learning. They also provide a bridge between home, school, and the community by providing information and resources to support student success. Family Connections staff is available 5 days a week.
 - Mrs. Hoole (<u>ihoole@romancatholichs.com</u>)
 - Mrs. Levine (mlevine@romancatholichs.com)
 - Ms. Duffy, Family Connections Liaison (dduffy@romancatholichs.com)

Tips for Addressing Academic Concerns

- **Monitor PowerSchool**—parents have access to PowerSchool, which allows them to closely monitor their son's performance in his coursework. Login information was mailed to each family at the start of the school year. If you are still in need of PowerSchool login information, please contact Mrs. Shipton at mshipton@romancatholichs.com
- Open Dialogue with your Son—As grades are entered into PowerSchool, have a conversation with your son about both the positive grades as well as the grades that need to be improved. Providing your sons with positive feedback throughout the marking period often makes it easier to address academic obstacles. When assignments are missing or test grades are low, this timely dialogue with your son is critical. The importance of completing work on time and studying for assessments is critical to a student's success at Roman Catholic High School.
- **Email the Teachers**—the Roman Catholic Faculty is comprised of many talented educators who are here to support your sons along their academic journey. After having a conversation with your son, please feel free to reach out to your son's teachers through email.
- Please give teachers 48 hours to respond as their teaching loads consist of around 150 students. Also, feel free to copy the Department Chair for the academic discipline on your correspondence to the teacher. The Department Chair emails can be found below:
- Theology—Mr. Jim Murphy <u>imurphy@romancatholichs.com</u>
- English—Mr. Fitzgerald Gallagher fgallagher@romancatholichs.com
- Science—Mr. Dennis DiGiovanni ddigiovanni@romancatholichs.com
- **Social Studies**—Mr. John Corrigan <u>icorrigan@romancatholichs.com</u>
- World Languages—Mr. Nicholas Azzara nazzara@romancatholichs.com
- **Mathematics**—Mr. Jim Brennan <u>jbrennan@romancatholichs.com</u>
- Business—Ms. Theresa A. Lazorko tlazorko@romancatholichs.com
- **Physical Education/Health**--Mr. Robert Hill rhill@romancatholichs.com
- Fine Arts/Music--Mrs. Shannon Gallagher- <u>sqallagher@romancatholichs.com</u>

If you do not hear back from a teacher within 48 hours, please reach out to their respective department chair with your concerns.

- Assistant Principal for Academic Affairs— If after reaching out to your son's teacher and the department chair you still have concerns, please feel free to email Mr. Buck at cbuck@romancatholichs.com
- **Contact the Guidance Department**—Our Guidance Director, Mrs. Mary Desmond, may be able to assist you with finding additional resources for your son to improve his academic performance. Please reach out to Mrs. Desmond at mdesmond@romancatholichs.com.