



## Roman Catholic High School Parent Newsletter



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### WINTER DRESS CODE BEGINS *MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14th!*

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## BACK TO SCHOOL FORMS- PARENTS!

Parents and Guardians: Please click [here](#) for directions on how to e-sign all of your son's back to school forms. If you need assistance getting into your parent portal on PowerSchool, please contact Ms. Shipton at [mshipton@romancatholichs.com](mailto:mshipton@romancatholichs.com). These forms can **ONLY** be accessed through your **parent portal**, not on the student portal. *It is easier to complete on a desktop computer and must be done on an internet browser, not the PowerSchool app.*

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## Mother's Club

**FALL BAG BINGO:** Saturday, November 12th! Please click [here](#) for more information! Click [here](#) to get your tickets! *No tickets will be sold at the door!* We are still looking for raffle, basket items, and volunteers for our Bingo! Please reach out to [mothersclub@romancatholichs.com](mailto:mothersclub@romancatholichs.com). Click [here](#) for information on the 2022 Louis Vuitton Fall Raffle! Please check our Facebook page for updates and information! <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100067202135739>



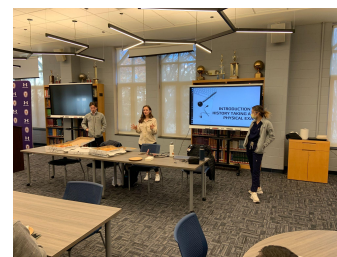
*Mark your calendar:*

Covered Dish Tree Lighting Ceremony- Monday, December 5th!

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## Jefferson University Medical School Workshop

On Wednesday, November 9th, students from Jefferson University's Sidney Kimmel Medical College came to Roman to host a Medical Workshop for our students. Our students were taught how to take historical medical records and give a physical exam!



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## CSC- lots of service!

CSC will be collecting **COATS AND CANS** beginning on November 2nd until November 30th. Please consider donating a canned good or other non-perishable food item to support those who face food insecurity in the Philadelphia area. Our canned good collection will be a friendly competition between homerooms. The top 3 homerooms with the most pounds/ounces collected will win a soft pretzel day!



Additionally, CSC will partner with **CAHILLITES FOR KIDS** in collecting gently used coats, hats, scarves, and gloves from November 2nd to November 30th. Donation boxes will be placed inside the school. We appreciate your donations in making this a successful endeavor.



**RED CROSS HOLIDAY CARDS FOR HEROES CAMPAIGN** - Once again CSC will be partnering with the Red Cross in sending Christmas/Holiday cards to our Veterans. If you have any cards that you would like to donate, please send them to school with your son by November 21st. He may bring them to Mrs. McKenna in Room 6.

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## NHS Applications

NHS Applications are available for pickup in the Student Affairs Office. They are for Juniors and Seniors only. ***They are due back by November 18th.***

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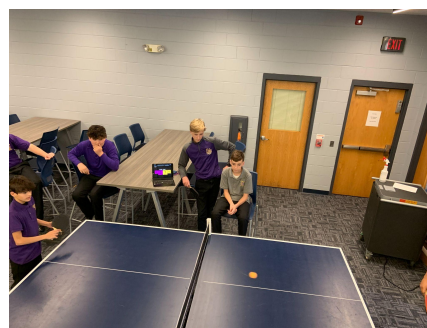
## From the Tuition Office...

The Facts Tuition 2023-2024 Financial Aid Application is open at [factsmgmt.com](https://factsmgmt.com). If you need assistance applying, please call 1-866-441-4637.

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## RGHS Ping Pong Club

On Tuesday, November 8th, our students had their opening round of our first ever Ping Pong Club! Second round matches will be played on Tuesday, 11/15! *Stay tuned for the future Champion!*



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## ROMAN RUN 2022

**WHEN:** Sunday, November 13th!

**WHERE:** Lloyd Hall on Kelly Drive, Philadelphia, PA 19130

**TYPE:** 5k Run/Walk or 1 Mile Walk Only

Come join the Roman Family of Alumni, Students, Staff and Parents as we show our Roman Pride along Kelly Drive. Registration is now open! Sponsorship opportunities are still available but the deadline is closing fast!

Click [here](#) for the website which has more information and details on how to register!

**Student Athletes:** Information will be sent to your coaches...let's see what Roman Catholic Team has the most runners!



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**YEARBOOKS!** *(Seniors do not have to purchase a yearbook)*



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## SENIOR PARENTS:

**ATTENTION  
SENIOR  
PARENTS**

## **RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE CLASS OF 2023 WITH A PERSONALIZED Ad IN THE 2023 YEARBOOK**

**CREATE AND PURCHASE ONLINE  
JOSTENSADSERVICE.COM/STUDENT**

ADS WILL BE SOLD UNTIL JANUARY 9, 2023  
OR UNTIL THEY ARE SOLD OUT.

COLOR AD	
Full Page	\$300.00
1/2 Page	\$180.00
1/4 Page	\$90.00
1/8 Page	\$50.00

**FOR THE PAST  
TWO YEARS,  
ALL ADS HAVE  
SOLD OUT!**

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## BLUE MASS OF THANKSGIVING

Roman will celebrate its annual Blue Mass of Thanksgiving on November 22nd at 10:00AM. If you are or have a family member who is a firefighter, EMT, in the medical field or in law enforcement, we would like to invite them to this special Mass! Please sign them up in the Student Affairs office. Contact [mbrown@romancatholicchs.com](mailto:mbrown@romancatholicchs.com) for more information.

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## Week of Thanksgiving Schedule...

*Monday, November 21st:* Bell 2

*Tuesday, November 22nd:* Blue Mass of Thanksgiving; Special Schedule, dismissal at 2:41pm

*Wednesday, November 23rd:* Dismissal at Noon

*Thursday, November 24th:* No school

*Friday, November 25th:* No school





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## Fall Collegium High School Events

Please see below for The Collegium Institute's Young Catholic Leaders Initiative upcoming events!

**Saturday, November 19th:** *God, Physics, and the Theory of Everything* at the Penn Catholic Newman Center.

The registration deadline for *God, Physics, and the Theory of Everything* is Thursday, November 17th. [Click here](#) to register.

**Thursday, December 1st:** *Does Math Matter? Mathematics and Christianity* with Prof. Francis Su on Penn's Campus. The event will consist of an hour-long dinner discussion with Prof. Francis Su on the relationship between mathematics and Christianity for select high school students and college students, followed by breakout sessions, a public lecture by Prof. Su at 7pm, and light refreshments. To apply for this event, [please click here](#).

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## Reminders from Guidance

***Interviews for seniors are well underway! If your son has not yet scheduled his meeting please encourage him to do so. The Class of 2023 has been great requesting appointments so we apologize if they have to wait a bit to be seen.***

### Grief Group

If you believe your son would benefit from attending, please reach out to Ms. Brown at [megan.brown@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:megan.brown@romancatholicshs.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 ([mdesmond@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:mdesmond@romancatholicshs.com))--*Guidance Director/Juniors and Seniors*
  - Mrs. Snyder ([csnyder@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:csnyder@romancatholicshs.com))--*Sophomores*
  - Mrs. Connell ([mconnell@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:mconnell@romancatholicshs.com)) and Ms Brown ([megan.brown@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:megan.brown@romancatholicshs.com))--*Freshmen*
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## 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 [academics@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:academics@romancatholicshs.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 - [jmurphy@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:jmurphy@romancatholicshs.com)
    - **English**—Mr. Fitzgerald Gallagher – [fgallagher@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:fgallagher@romancatholicshs.com)
    - **Science**—Mr. Dennis DiGiovanni – [ddigiovanni@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:ddigiovanni@romancatholicshs.com)
    - **Social Studies**—Mr. John Corrigan – [jcorrigan@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:jcorrigan@romancatholicshs.com)
    - **World Languages**—Mr. Nicholas Azzara - [nazzara@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:nazzara@romancatholicshs.com)
    - **Mathematics**—Ms. Antoinette High – [ahigh@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:ahigh@romancatholicshs.com)
    - **Business**—Ms. Theresa A. Lazorko - [tlazorko@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:tlazorko@romancatholicshs.com)
- 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 [academics@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:academics@romancatholicshs.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@romancatholicshs.com](mailto:mdesmond@romancatholicshs.com).
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