

WINTER UNIFORM STARTS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST... UPDATED INFORMATION...



Beginning **Tuesday, November 1st**, all students in grades K-8 will be required to wear the regulation Winter School Uniform.

As a reminder, school shoes must be black, brown, or blue, and **sneakers may not be worn with the regulation Winter School Uniform. All girls in grades K-8 must wear knee high socks or tights with the winter uniform.**

PLEASE NOTE: If your child is cold during the school day, he or she should wear the navy long-sleeve banded bottom shirt, the navy ¼ zip performance fleece pullover, or the navy v-neck pullover sweater. **The navy hooded or navy crew neck Notre Dame gym sweatshirt may only be worn with the gym uniform.**

Keep in mind that we do go outside during the winter months. We check with the local weather service frequently to monitor the current temperature and wind chill, and we also walk outside to check the weather before sending students outside. During the winter months, please be sure to dress your child appropriately for outside recess (gloves, hats, scarves, etc.) and keep this in mind when getting ready for school.

Our uniform still stands as a symbol of pride and discipline for our school. Each student who wears it represents the high standard that exists because of your support and cooperation.



NOTRE DAME OF BETHLEHEM **WINTER UNIFORM EXCHANGE**

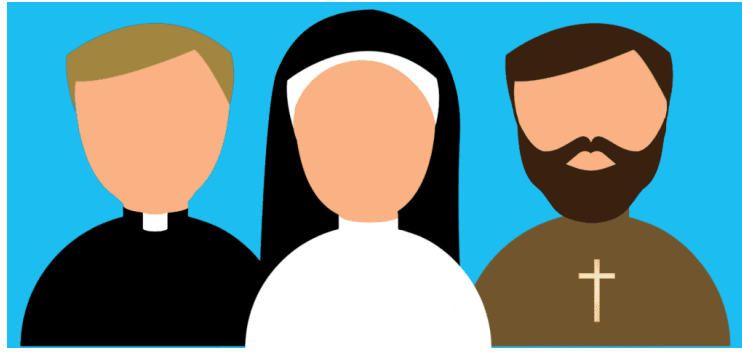
October 28th

4:00pm-6:00pm

Location: Notre Dame of Bethlehem
Church Hall

Winter uniform begins on November 1st.





We will be having a Dress Down Day on **Wednesday, October 25th** to support priestly vocations and benefit St. Charles Seminary.

Listed below are some guidelines for this Dress Down Day:

- Shirts to be worn MUST NOT contain any inappropriate logos, phrases, or images.
- ALL pants must be worn at the waist and should not be baggy. Notre Dame gym pants can also be worn. Capris, jeans, or sweatpants are acceptable.
- **Pajama bottoms, jeggings, or leggings are not allowed to be worn.**
- Hats and costume headbands **MAY NOT** be worn.
- **Shoes: Students must wear their gym sneakers or school shoes ONLY.**
- Clothing must be modest, clean and neat looking upon entering the school. No holes, rips, or tears are permitted in any garment.
- All accessories (i.e. hair or jewelry) worn must meet the criteria specified in the Notre Dame Dress Code. All accessories (i.e. hair or jewelry) worn must meet the criteria specified in the Notre Dame dress code.
- Students having gym class on this day will be allowed to wear their dress down attire for gym.

We are asking you to donate \$1.00 to this special cause. Thank you and God bless you!

Dear Notre Dame Families,

Peace and good! That is the greeting that the simple and beloved friar, St. Francis of Assisi, whose Feast Day we celebrated on October 4th, always used – but, of course, he said it in Italian: “Pax et Bene”. It is a very fitting and very needed greeting in light of all that is going on in our world these days. . . We certainly are in desperate need of peace – and of people who are committed to doing what is right and good. No wonder St. Francis is one of the most famous saints in the world. Even people who aren’t Catholic love to hear about the patron saint of the animals and of care for God’s creation.

Just as St. Francis followed God’s call and spent his life in God’s service, there are still men who hear God speaking in their hearts inviting them to become priests, brothers, monks and deacons. (There are also women whom God calls to follow and serve Him the way Sister Lisa does – and they become either Sisters or Nuns). If a young man thinks that God is calling him, he prays about it. . . Then, after a while, and after lots of prayer, if he still feels God’s call, the young man goes to a priest he knows – or maybe a deacon – and talks about what is happening in his life and whether or not he is open to spending his life serving God. Some of the people whom God calls say “no” – kind of like that guy Jonah whose story we heard this week – and they decide to do something that THEY want to do, rather than giving their lives to God. God lets them make up their own minds. He doesn’t even get mad. God knows that if people would just follow His plans for their lives, they would be a LOT happier. . . but he lets us make up our own minds.

The good news is that there are some young men who when they figure out that God has a plan for their life – and that His plan is for them to become priests – they actually do it! To become a priest you have to study a lot – and there is a special school called a seminary. Most men from our Diocese study at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in Philadelphia. There used to be a lot of men who said “Yes” to God, so they had a big Seminary, now, from our Diocese there are only 12 or 14 who are studying to become priests (and sadly, there are even less girls who are studying to become Sisters. . . but we’re not talking about the girls right now. . .). So, the Archbishop of Philadelphia decided to sell the very big building and to have the Seminarians move to another place. They are building a new house in a new place for them, which costs a lot of money. So, since some of those men are going to come to Churches here in the Diocese of Allentown, Bishop Schlert has asked all of us to donate money to help them out. . . but not only that, he is asking us to pray that more young men – maybe even someone from your family or someone you know – will decide to say “Yes” if God calls them (OR YOU) to become a priest who will love and serve God and God’s people.

Here at Notre Dame, we have decided that we will pray for Vocations and we will also help. So, on Wednesday, October 25th, we are having a “Dress down Day” to benefit St. Charles Seminary. That means that we are asking you to donate \$1.00 (or more if your family would like) to this special cause. . . and if you do that, you can have a “Dress down” day on October 25th. We are actually going to have a special guest come to our school that day – it is someone who has come to visit us before, Fr. Mark Searles. Fr. Searles is the Vocation Director for the Allentown Diocese. Boys who are thinking about becoming priests usually talk to him. So, on our Dress down day, Fr. Searles is going to talk with us and pray with us. And we don’t want the girls to feel left out, so Sister Lisa is going to tell us something about how to become a Sister on that day, too. I am sure it’s going to be a very good day. Thank you and God bless you!



TRUNK OR TREAT

CAR REGISTRATION FORM
NOTRE DAME PARKING LOT
1835 CATASAUQUA ROAD, BETHLEHEM

OCTOBER 22ND 4:00-6:00 PM

\$5.00 ENTRY. FREE ENTRY FOR THOSE ENTERING WITH REGISTERED VEHICLES.

EVENT RULES AND GUIDELINES

- Free admission to trick or treaters who arrive in registered decorated cars.
- Please arrive at 3:15 to get parked and your vehicle fully decorated.
- All vehicles must be ready to hand out candy at 4 PM.
- Family friendly costumes and nut free treats please.
- Vehicles must remain parked in the same location until 6:00 PM.
- Vehicles will be judged by faculty and staff.
- Limited spaces available. Reserve your spot early.



PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED TO 1ST, 2ND, AND 3RD PLACE FOR BEST DECORATED VEHICLE.

FOOD, SNACKS, AND 50/50 RAFFLE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE.

THERE WILL ALSO BE A PUMPKIN DECORATION CONTEST. PLEASE BRING A PUMPKIN, WE WILL PROVIDE SUPPLIES TO DECORATE YOUR PUMPKIN!!

IF YOU CAN NOT ATTEND TRUNK OR TREAT, BRING YOUR DECORATED PUMPKIN TO SCHOOL BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27TH.

Car Registration: Return no later than 10/16/2023 to Main Office.

Family Name: _____

Type of Vehicle: _____

Email: _____



**There is no Homework Hour from October 23-27
due to conferences. It will resume again on
October 30.**

Thank you!



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



**CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!
WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

We have a number of exciting events planned for this upcoming school year!!!! We cannot make these events a success without your help!!!

Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up.
Please feel free to sign up for more than one committee.

Click Here to [Volunteer now](#)

Hospitality
Trunk or Treat
Christmas Wreath Sales
Santa's Shop
Special Events
Bayou Pierogi Sale
Book Fair





MAKE-UP PICTURE DAY



**Notre Dame of
Bethlehem**

**Wednesday,
November 8**

**ONLINE ORDERING
ACCESS CODE:
NDF23MU**



**TO PLACE AN ORDER VISIT
WWW.DANSCAMERA.COM/PICTUREDAY**

Click on the green "Order Pictures Now" button and enter your school's access code.

- **For free delivery to school & to avoid additional charges, you must place your order before the ordering window closes four days after Make-Up Day.**
- **If your student missed picture day and you already placed an order, we will hold the order until their photo is taken on the make-up day. Make-up day fliers will be sent to the school when we deliver the photo orders from picture day.**
- **If your student missed picture day and you did not place an order, the school will be sending home information on how to place your pre-order for make-up day using the School Access Code.**
- **My student got their package, but we want it redone.** There is no need to place an additional order for a retake photo. Simply send the complete original package back with your student on makeup day and have them *give it to the photographer* when they have their photo retaken. **Replacement packages will only be printed with the return of your original package.**



SMILES TODAY, MEMORIES TOMORROW
Questions? Call 610-434-8450 ext 364



NOVEMBER 8TH

Dine in or take out

JOIN US FOR OUR FIRST DINE AND
DONATE NIGHT OF THE YEAR.

COME TO P.J. WHELIHAN'S,
MENTION THIS FLYER, AND A
PERCENTAGE OF EVERY CHECK WILL
GO TO OUR SCHOOL!!!!

PJ Whelihan's
3395 High Point Blvd, Bethlehem



SAVE
THE DATE

BARNES & NOBLE BOOKFAIRS

Notre Dame of Bethlehem

Wednesday, December 6th, 2023

6:00pm – 8:00pm

Barnes & Noble (Southmont Center)
4445 Southmont Way, Easton, PA

CAN'T ATTEND OUR BOOKFAIR AT BARNES & NOBLE?

Visit **BN.COM/bookfairs** to support us online from 12/06/2023 to 12/11/2023
by entering Bookfair ID 12685723 at checkout.

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