November 30, 2022

Crusader Chronicles

Good Shepherd Catholic School

As we begin the Advent season, we shall come again to the stories about the incarnation of Jesus. A number of these passages remind us that the rights we believe are deserved by everyone were not necessarily afforded the Savior of the world. We believe respecting the dignity of person entitles each human being to the necessities of life – food, clothing, and shelter. Yet, the Lord was born homeless in a stable. We recognize the importance of safety for persons to grow and develop in their environment. Yet, the Holy Family had to flee Bethlehem and go to Egypt for Jesus to escape death. He became a refugee in a foreign land in order to survive. In looking at our society, we find the homeless and the refugee among us, individuals who are denied their dignity of person. Advent is a season to decide what we can do in some way to restore the rights to people near or far, particularly the homeless or refugee, so that they come to see that they are respected as a persons and children of God.

Santa Breakfast

Santa will be stopping by for All You Can Eat Breakfast on **December 4th.** We are still in need of some extra elves. Please use the link if you can help. Santa Breakfast Signup Genius

I-Give Catholic Campaign

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Thank you to all of our donors!! We made it to 40% of our goal of $4.000. We continue to collect donations. Please contact the office to add to our goal! Your support is greatly appreciated.

Christmas Program

On **December 21st** at 6:30 we will be hosting our Christmas program and band concert. Play parts went home in the Wednesday envelope.

Christmas Parade

Who's coming to town? The Good Shepherd band, cheerlearders, and friends! We will be marching in the Perryville Christmas Parade on **December 10th**. Please fill out the attached form to give us an idea of who to look for. Christmas Parade Form

Giving Bean

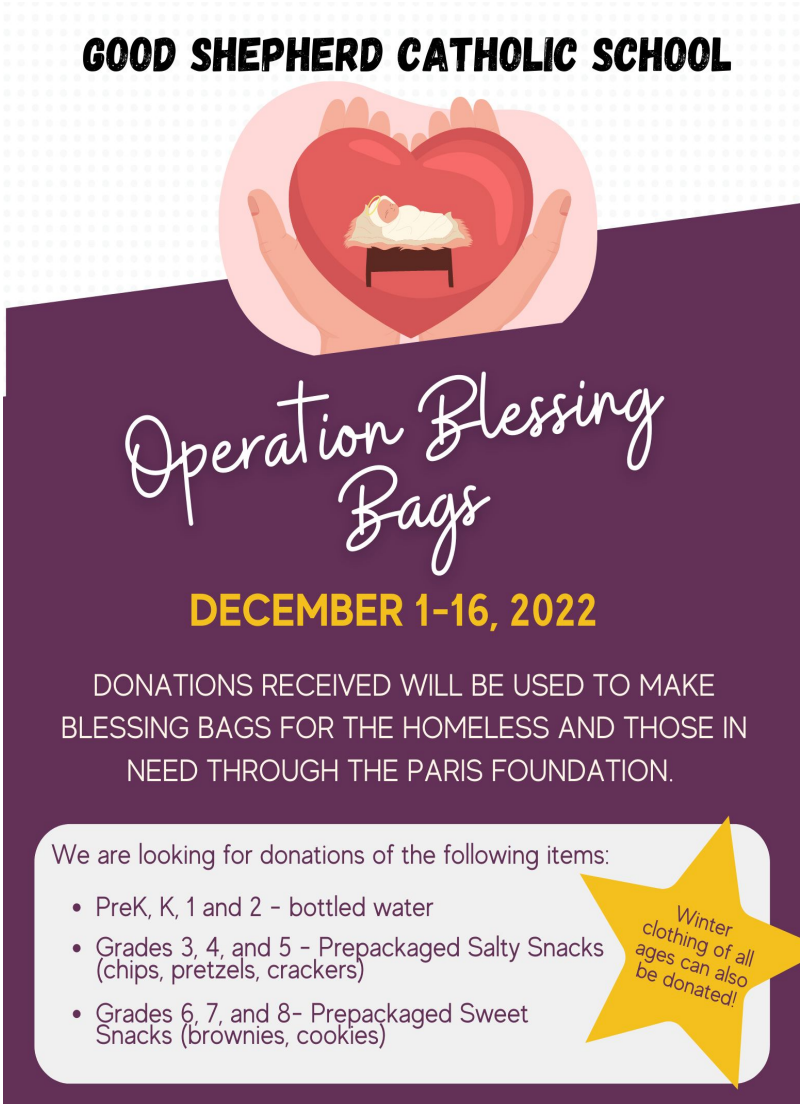
If you ordered Giving Bean coffee or products, it has arrived. Please make arrangements to pick it up tomorrow morning or afternoon.

First Reconciliation

Congratulations to our 2nd graders who are receiving their 1st Reconciliation this Saturday! Please keep them in your prayers as they finish the final preparations for receiving this special channel of grace.



Armand
Elizabeth
Savannah
Elliana



Immaculate Conception- Dec 8th

December 8th is the feast of the Immaculate Conception- a Holy Day of Obligation. We will be going to Mass. Each student is asked to bring $1 for the collection. The money will go to St. Vincent de Paul.

Diocesean Financial Aid

If you plan to apply for financial aid through the diocese, please use the following link. online.factsmgt.com/aid. The application is open and the the deadline is **January 31, 2023**. Don't wait to apply!

Spirit Wear Update from FSO!

It's great to see some of the new spirit wear being worn by our school families! I hope everyone is happy with the wide selection of choices this year. The spirit wear company is running a holiday sale from 7 Nov - 30 Nov.. 20% savings sitewide + Free shipping with all orders over $75 + Guaranteed delivery by Dec. 22 or your order is free! Visit our store link: https://1stplace.sale/43217

Family Communication Survey

Your extended family can be part of our family too! We are gathering names of extended family members that may want to know about the happenings at GSCS. Please complete the attached form to share their information with us. Family Communication Survey

A Moment to Chuckle:

Q. What do you call a kid that doesn't believe in Santa

A. A rebel without a Claus.

Upcoming Dates & Events

1st Reconciliation- Dec. 3
Breakfast with Santa- Dec. 4
Reconciliation Service- Dec. 7
Immaculate Conception- Dec. 8
Sweatshirts for Solemnities- Dec. 8
Perryville Christmas Parade- Dec 10
My School Goes to Mass- Dec. 11
Holiday Shoppe-Dec. 13
Christmas Program & Band Concert-Dec 21
½ Day- Dec. 22
Christmas - Dec. 25
New Year- Jan. 1
School Reopens- Jan. 3

Good Shepherd Catholic School develops successful students with the support of the entire community. Our students reach their maximum academic and personal potential in a safe and nurturing environment, leading them to be people of faith, socialization, and character through study and service.