

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Crusader Chronicles

October 9 | 2024

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.

We Walk by Faith... in UNDERSTANDING

Understanding is a gift of the Holy Spirit that receives emphasis in both the religious and the secular worlds. As we remember St. Francis of Assisi on his feast day this month (October 4), we ask the "Divine Master" in the Prayer of St. Francis that we "may not so much seek...to be understood, as to understand." In the popular press, a seminal writing, *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People*, by Stephen Covey notes Habit #5 is "Seek first to understand, then to be understood." Understanding is a gift that requires the development of attentive listening. Many times when someone is speaking with us, we may be formulating a reply before the person has concluded speaking. Or, even worse, we may be interrupting the speaker when we think we know what the conclusion of the statement or idea may be and we cannot wait to offer our thoughts. Understanding calls us to listen attentively, that is, to focus on the speaker, to hear what is said, to question when unclear about the message, and to reflect on what was said before we comment on it. Listening for understanding is an act of hospitality where we are generous with our time and gracious with our spirit in relating to the other person. This week, let us seek to grow in understanding by listening attentively to others and also to the Lord who speaks to us through prayer and through those whom we meet.

Let us pray ...

for Miss Renee, a beloved member of the community, as we celebrate her life and everything she has meant to our community.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.





Reminders & Highlights

- **Vision for the Future 2025-2026 Applications** – Applications for tuition assistance (Vision for the Future) for the 2025-2026 school year through the FACTS site opens on September 15, 2024. The deadline for applications is January 31, 2025, and notification of awards will begin on March 1, 2025.
- **Yearbook Club** begins Wednesday 10/9 from 2:30 to 3:30! Please meet in Mrs. Chicosky's classroom.
Please send pictures Ichicosky@goodshepherdschool.net or srichardson@goodshepherdschool.net to be included in the yearbook.
- **October 24th and 25th** are Noon Dismissal Days for Conferences. Our teachers put in a lot of extra time and would love to be able to have lunch ready to go so that they can continue to meet with families. We ask that you kindly sign-up for something to bring for our Perfect Potluck.
October 24th- <https://www.PerfectPotluck.com/UKBB9227>
October 25th- <https://www.PerfectPotluck.com/LXVN0186>
- **Halloween Party** – Please make sure to RSVP for our FSO sponsored Halloween Party on Saturday October 26th!
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSffzVIZWfBxTRYNyoAhr2HmhFmsm3pLeuBejj6znp3C6AnZew/viewform>
- **Crab Feast on October 27th!** We are now taking reservations. Do not miss your chance, tickets are selling fast! Please call GSCS for your ticket.

Reminders & Important Dates

- October 24th- Noon Dismissal for Conferences
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- October 26th- Halloween Party (6:00-8:00)
- October 27th- Crab Feast (12:30-4:00)

From Mrs. Ingraham's desk...

It was absolutely beautiful to see all of our children praying the Rosary amongst 500 other children across the Diocese earlier this week. Friday marks the halfway point of the first marking period. Please take a moment to log in to PowerSchool to check your child's progress if you have not already done so. Our students wrapped up renaissance testing on Friday. This STAR assessment provides so much data for teachers to drive instruction and be able to help each and every student. You will find a parent report sent in your child's Wednesday Folder next week. As always, we thank you for entrusting Good Shepherd with your precious children and for enabling them to have a Catholic Education!



Good Shepherd Catholic School's Annual
Game Day
CRAB FEAST
Open to the Public!

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH, 12:30 PM - END OF GAME
AT THE WELLWOOD RESTAURANT**

Adults: \$60 / Kids ages 9 & under: \$20

Menu Includes:

AYCE Steamed Crabs, Crab Bisque, BBQ
Rotisserie Chicken, Brisket with rolls, Corn on
the Cob, Potato Salad, Desserts, Beer & Wine


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Reservations - CALL GSCS @ 410-642-6265
*Seating arrangements available upon request

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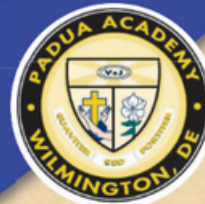
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Archmere Academy
archmereacademy.org
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Aquinas Academy
aquinasacademy.net

For more information, go to cdow.org/schools
or call 302-573-3133



YEARBOOK CLUB

Meets every Wednesday starting Oct 9.
2:30-3:30 in Mrs. Chicosky's classroom.
All Junior High Students (6-8) are welcome.
Time commitment is whatever you can give.
If you have any questions see Mrs. Chicosky or
Mrs. Richardson. All you need is your chrome
book and plenty of creativity.

Does Your School Have the Most Team Spirit? Let it Shine!



BISHOP'S 5K RUN/WALK

Sat., Nov. 23, 2024
8am-11am



**Show your School Spirit by building the biggest team
for the Bishop's 5K run/walk.**

***The three largest teams will win bragging rights
and a cash prize for your school!***



The Top 3 Largest Teams Will Be Awarded!



To qualify, you need at least **15 supporters from your school.**

The top three school teams with the most participants by midnight, Fri. Nov. 22, will win cash!

1st Place: \$1,000 • 2nd Place: \$500 • 3rd Place: \$250

Saint Mark's High School, 2501 Pike Creek Road, Wilmington, DE 19808

Registration Fee: \$29 Adults (\$40 on Race Day) • Students \$19 (under 18)

Your participation provides vital support and offers relief to those in crisis.

Stand with Catholic Charities and be a beacon of hope in someone's life.

Catholic Charities assists low-income households experiencing a financial crisis to pay for basic expenses such as rent, utilities,

food, and clothing. We manage Bayard House, a home for pregnant teens and women preparing for childbirth. Our programs include shelters for homeless prevention, low income housing for senior citizens, and behavioral health services.

Through the Diocese of Wilmington, we offer essential services to strengthen families, assist the disadvantaged, and build relationships throughout Delaware and the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

**For more information and to register:
www.ccwilm.org/events/the-bishops-5k-runwalk/**

All proceeds will be used to support Catholic Charities' social service programs in Delaware and the Eastern shore of Maryland.