

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Crusader Chronicles

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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

We Walk by Faith in Understanding through a sense of awareness, reflection, and ultimately, action. Pope Francis tells us that understanding is "a grace...which awakens in a Christian the ability to go beyond the outward appearance of reality and to probe the depths of the thoughts of God and his plan of salvation." Looking closely at the definition provided by Pope Francis, we must first see this gift, like all seven gifts of the Holy Spirit, as "a grace." It is truly given freely for our use as any gift one would receive. It is not merited or earned, simply given. Next we find that this gift moves us "beyond the outward appearance of reality" which may be a way of saying that the gift takes us beyond our narrow vision or worldly successes. This gift expands our horizon to see broadly without limits. Lastly, this gift invites us to "probe the depths" and think what God wants of us. We are asked to join ourselves to God's plan which we can only know by through prayer. We Walk by Faith in Understanding when we possess an open heart and mind to accept what God gives generously to stretch us beyond our boundaries to better know, love, and serve him. October will be a time for us to think about and pray for a better recognition of this great gift of God.

Let us pray ...

for Miss Renee LeBrun, a 1970 Good Shepherd Catholic School graduate, who passed away peacefully today surrounded by family.

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.
 - **Blessing of the Animals on Friday 10/4!** Bring your pets for a special blessing in Mary's Garden at 2:30.
 - **Diocesan Rosary Pilgrimage.** We are grateful to our wonderful FSO for covering the costs of buses for all of our students to attend this event at Holy Spirit Parish in New Castle County on October 8th. We will be leaving school by 9:00 and returning before noon. There is no cost for this trip. **Please make sure that you keep complete the google form for permission slip.**
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1xwgPrXen9Pi0qrwHYhtTNY3LwbtTpDL2W8DzJlfrHYA/edit>
 - **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>
 - **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.
 - I'd like to share some thoughts with you on information that comes from the Maryland Catholic Conference on some issues that are currently in the news. Please go to **mdcatholic.org** for some highlights.
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A note from our School Counselor

Dear Families,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself! My name is Teri Andrews Cordrey aka Mrs. AC (it is less of a mouthful and sounds way cooler than Mrs. Andrews Cordrey). I am the new School Counselor here at Good Shepherd Catholic School, and I am super excited to be part of the school's family; already it is so apparent how close-knit and welcoming this community is. I feel very lucky to be part of it!

I have always had a love of education, helping others, and child advocacy. For me, school counseling has been the perfect blending of these passions. I received my Bachelor of Science degree in Behavioral Science from UMUC, and later I earned my Masters of Education for K-12 School Counseling from Wilmington University. I have about 8 years combined school counseling experience at the K-12 level. What I love most about my students is the genuine curiosity students have in their learning and the world around them. I also enjoy providing interventions and supports that not only foster growth, development, and self-efficacy but have a lifetime positive impact on a student.

As a School Counselor, my primary responsibility is to promote the academic, career, and social/emotional development of all students. I look forward to offering support to the students, staff, families, and community at Good Shepherd Catholic School. As the School Counselor, I will be meeting with students individually and in small groups, conducting classroom counseling lessons that focus on social emotional growth and development, character education, self-regulation, and social awareness, all while incorporating Catholic ideals. These lessons follow the American School Counselor Association standards and the Collaborative for Academic, Social and Emotional Learning (CASEL) framework. Additionally, I will be meeting with parents, collaborating with teachers and staff, and consulting with community organizations to benefit and meet the needs of all of Good Shepherd Catholic School's students.

You may have noticed above that I put in bold and underlined the word, "all" students. Sometimes when the term "counselor" is heard, some may perceive that a counselor may only work with a select few students in a 1:1 counseling capacity, but that is not the case! School Counseling programs reach and meet the needs of all students in a school through many various ways, including those listed above. I am here to advocate for all students. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call me at 410-642-6265 or email me at tandrewscordrey@goodshepherdschool.net.

I am so excited to work with your children and to get to know you throughout the school year! ☺

All the best,

Teri Andrews Cordrey M.Ed
Good Shepherd Catholic School Counselor

Reminders & Important Dates

- October 4th- Blessing of the Animals (2:30)
- October 8th- Rosary Pilgrimage (normal school uniform)
- October 24th- Noon Dismissal for Conferences
- October 25th- Noon Dismissal for Conferences
- October 26th- Halloween Party (6:00-8:00)
- October 27th- Crab Feast (12:30-4:00)

From Mrs. Ingraham's desk...

September has flown by! I am so proud of all of our students and their hard work. Thank you to all who helped and supported our Annual Golf Tournament and who enjoyed some delicious Taco's earlier this week from Moe's. They flew off the table at the Ingraham household!

Earlier this week, I was walking down the hallway just before lunch and without planning, I heard a few classes praying grace. The sound of kids praying echoed down the hallway and it brought me immense joy. 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



Reservations - CALL GSCS @ 410-642-6265

**Seating arrangements available upon request*

The Catholic Diocese of Wilmington High Schools

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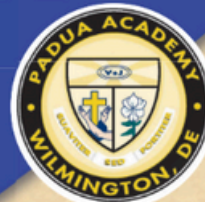
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stmarkshs.net
OPEN HOUSE OCT. 6



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Saints Peter & Paul
High School
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Padua Academy
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St. Elizabeth School
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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.