St. Francis de Sales Catholic School

Wednesday Newsletter

November 7, 2018

REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS!

We have so many exciting **STREAMS events** coming in November and December. Mark your calendars so you don't miss them!

- Annual **STEM** fair for grades 6-8 will be exhibited after all the Masses on November 17th and 18th. Judging takes place on the 16th.
- Students from grades 4 and 5 will be traveling on Friday, 11/30 to the Eastern Shore Ballet Theatre production of the <u>Nutcracker</u> in which many of our students are performing!
- On Tuesday, 11/13 Students from 7th and 8th grade will participate in a math competition at SU.
- On Wednesday, 11/14 7th grade students will participate in a GIS field day with SU.
- Nutrition presentation by SU students for middle schoolers, 11/16 and 11/30.
- Two SFdS students, **Sarah Miller** and **Harrison Bauer**, will perform with the Magi Concert on Saturday, 11/17 and Sunday, 11/18. See link for flyer below.
- Thursday, December 13th is the date for the Christmas Pageant performed by grades Pre-K 3 through 2nd at 6:00 pm.
- On Wednesday, December 19th the band and choir will perform in the Parish Center at 6:00 pm.
- The **second annual** all school performance of the "Nutcracker" will be on Thursday, December 20th at 1:30 pm.

With Joy,

Mrs. Debbie Traum

Lunch for the next week:

Thursday, 11/8	Friday, 11/9	Monday, 11/12	Tuesday, 11/13	Wed.,11/14
Corn dog	Choices from week	Chicken noodle soup and pretzel nibs	Taco Salad	Chicken Sandwich

Reminders

*HEALTH ALERT!- Please be reminded that according to the State of Maryland Health Department, students may not return to school until 24 hours after they have either a fever or have vomited.

*Ms. Upshaw is looking for animal costumes for the Christmas Pageant. Please send in any Halloween costumes etc. that you might be able to give up. Please contact her with questions.

*When using the church lot for pick up or drop off, please park in a designated space. **DO NOT** park along the athletic field or next to the mercy house. Please hold your student's hand when walking across the parking lot.

*click here for flyer for MAGI concert

Important Dates

- Friday, 11/9 Veterans Day Prayer Service-8:30 am in the church
- Saturday, 11/10 Annual ASP and Boy /Scout YARD SALE-7:00 am
- Tuesday, 11/13 Students from 7th and 8th grade will participate in a math competition at SU.
- Wednesday, 11/14 7th grade students will participate in a GIS day with SU.

<u>Attention Parents of SFdS School....</u> As you already know, testimonials are an extremely important part of the success of anyone's business. I truly feel that testimonials will strengthen the credibility of our school and help guide future prospects to consider SFdS School for the future. If anyone would be willing to send me a testimonial to my email;spassarell@sfdscs.org or even post it on our Facebook page : https://www.facebook.com/SFdSCatholicSchoolSalisbury, that would be wonderful. I will also use these testimonials on our website and make a video for marketing purposes.

Thanks for your help!

Sarah Passarell

Advancement Director

Home and School Association

Home and School Association President Note

On behalf of the HSA, we hope that as we approach the end of the first trimester, that we are meeting the needs of our Penguin families. Please know that we are working hard to plan activities and fundraisers that directly fund our school programs. We are doing our best to improve communication, encourage volunteering and provide opportunities for family fellowship. Should you have any suggestions, questions or concerns, please contact me. Stephanie Cooper 410-251-4711 or HSA@sfdscs.org

Bull & Oyster Roast Meeting

On Thursday, 11/8 at 6:00 pm, there will be a Bull & Oyster Roast interest meeting. It will be held at 1400 South/Hoppers. If you are interested in helping out on the committee for this event, scheduled for Friday, 2/1/19, please try to stop by and see where you can put your talents to work!

Five Below fundraiser

Need stocking stuffers for Christmas? How about that office party gift exchange gift? Then wait to buy these items between Monday, 12/3 and Saturday, 12/8 from 10 am – 6 pm and SFDS earns 10% back! What an easy way to help SFDS earn money towards the school's technology needs.

Santa Social: Vendor Spaces & Kids Shopping Area

Mark your calendars for our annual Santa Social events. The pancake breakfast takes place on Sunday, 12/9 from 8:30 am - 1:00 pm, and includes crafts, games, holiday vendors, and photos with Santa. Then on Friday, 12/21 we will host Mrs. Claus' Workshop on the last morning of school before the break. Last year's kids shopping event in the cafeteria was very successful, so we are continuing that tradition this year.

Currently, we are seeking vendors to fill our holiday shopping tables. Limited spaces are available for only \$30/table. Please contact Heather Hillaert at hhillaert14@gmail.com with questions or to reserve your space.

We are also beginning to collect your holiday and gift items for the kids shopping event. Items that are fun "regifts" (holiday ties, ornaments, costume jewelry, cute dishes, unopened spa packages, etc.) are much needed. We are also asking for holiday wrapping, tape, bows, bags, gift tags, and scissors that you wish to donate. Remember your "trash" can be another's "treasure" as a gift this season. Please drop these items off at the school office.

More info about Santa Social events is coming!

Home and School Association Dues

The dues are set at \$15/child again this year and the money goes directly to our homeroom moms to use for class activities and the auction project. We will also be collecting at afternoon pickups on Fridays and during all our school events. We accept cash, checks (made payable to SFDS HSA) or credit cards. If you are unsure whether you have paid your dues, please email us at HSA@sfdscs.org

<u>Youth Ministry</u> St. Francis de Sales Parish CYM - Catholic Youth Ministries Grades 7-12 Connecting with God, friends, and the community.

St. Francis de Sales Youth Ministries Newsletter Update for Nov./Dec. Click the link below http://wsm.ezsitedesigner.com/share/scrapbook/56/567618/Youth Nov 2018 PDF.pdf Confirmation Students - Don't forget class this Saturday evening after Mass at 6:30 p.m. in the SFdS Church Hall. Bring your books and folders!

Youth Mass at St. Francis - Sat. Nov. 10th at 5:30 p.m.Youth Council Meeting – Sunday, Nov. 4th at 11:45 p.m.
Youth Room downstairs in the Church Hall. Bring \$3 for pizza for lunch. We will be discussing trips and rallies.Cookie Bake Madness After Mass – Sat. Nov. 17th 6:30-8:30 p.m. Parish Center. Bring your own cookie ingredients and recipe. If you don't have one, we will provide. <u>NO peanut butter please.</u> Cookies baked will be given to our communion servers to deliver to home-bound church members during the week.Blue Christmas Dinner – Youth Fundraiser Nov. 30th 5-7 p.m. Music provided by our young people. Share Christmas nostalgia with us as the Advent Season begins. Bring your family and friends and enjoy a lovely evening of dinner and music.
SIGN UP HERE TO HELP with the EVENT. <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b094fa9ad2ba5f85-blue</u> Newsboys at the Wicomico Civic Center – Sat. Dec. 8. 6:00 p.m. This will be an awesome Christian Concert! Limited Youth Tickets. \$30.00 Contact Liza as soon as possible.

ASP - Appalachia Service Project Students remember to sign up for your volunteer hours coming up: Yard Sale, Nov. 6-10th, Christian Shelter, Nov. 8th, Blue Christmas, Nov. 30th. Contact caseyflanagan@gmail.com or jflanagan771@gmail.com for any questions about ASP.

Blessings, Liza

P.S. An invisalign is still in my lost & found. Pass the word around! :-)