



# Sacred Heart Catholic School

*SPREADING GOD'S LOVE SINCE 1882*

*The Mission of Sacred Heart Catholic School is to teach Gospel values that will foster the spiritual, moral, academic, social, and physical growth of the students according to Catholic tradition and the spirit of the Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament.*

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## ALUMNI NEWSLETTER 2019

### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Alumni,

Thank God and thank you, we are beginning our 137<sup>th</sup> year as Sacred Heart Catholic School. We are very blessed to have this Catholic school in our community and in our area. Many young people have grown spiritually, physically, and mentally in these hallowed halls and beautiful grounds over these many years.

We have had a number of religious vocations from Sacred Heart. Our present associate pastor, Fr. Scott Hill, graduated from Sacred Heart in 2006. He has hit the ground running. We also have a seminarian studying for the Priesthood, Caleb Krischke, who is a 2016 Sacred Heart School graduate and we still have two Sisters, Sr. Emiliania and Sr. Colette on the faculty.

We appreciate your love and support for Sacred Heart Catholic School. Always thank God for your education here. Please continue to pray for its continued success.

Msgr. John C. Peters, Pastor

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Last year Sacred Heart completed 136 years of Catholic Education. The Class of 2019 consisted of 27 young adults ready for the next journey in life. We had a very eventful year with many great student accomplishments. We are very proud of the students, staff and coaches for a great year.

The 2019-20 school year started out great with excitement in all areas. For the first time ever, Sacred Heart started the year with two PreK -3 classes. We are building enrollment from the bottom up. With that we have some great new staff that we're excited to have carry on the Sacred Heart legacy. There are many new activities and ideas planned for this year so be sure to connect with us on Facebook or on the school website.

Thank you to everyone who helped out this past year with the Annual Fund. We've collected a record amount because of your gracious support. With the rising cost of educational needs, salaries, books and materials, the Annual Fund helps defray these rising costs while trying to keep tuition affordable for our parents. Thank you for your generosity.

Please take note of this year's Homecoming schedule. This year's pep rally will be on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 in the gym to kick off Homecoming week, while the Homecoming game will take place on Friday, Sept 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. The Memorial Mass will be on Saturday September 14<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church with the social, meal and dance to follow at the KC Hall. The Mass will cover your Sunday service obligation. We hope to see you all rooting on our Indians at our Homecoming Festivities! We're excited for all that the future has in store for Sacred Heart Catholic School.

### NEW SCHOOL YEAR – NEW FACES

On August 13<sup>th</sup>, Sacred Heart Catholic School faculty and staff welcomed 265 students for the 2019-2020 academic year. This year we have some changes with the addition of a second PreK-3 class. We are also excited that we have students from several surrounding communities: Yoakum, Schulenburg, Weimar, and Columbus. Their families send their children to our school because they believe in and support what we provide – a strong educational program in a faith filled environment. We also welcomed new faculty members: **Manny Freeland** began in April as our new Athletic Director and head football coach. He is also teaching 8<sup>th</sup> grade science as well as coaching junior high and high school P.E. classes. A graduate of Edna High School, Coach Freeland attended Wayland Baptist University on a football scholarship and began coaching as a student assistant while at WBU. After college he worked at Louise High School, then coached and taught at Dallas Roosevelt High School. He loves the family atmosphere at SHS and how we have such great kids. His personal goal is for every sport - both girls and boys teams - to qualify for the playoffs.

**Lynn Cook** is a returnee, having worked at SHS for several years but missed us so much, she couldn't wait to come back. She is teaching English III, English III AP, English IV, and Speech. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree with a specialization in English and Speech and a Master's degree in Mid-Management, both from UHV. She worked at Hallettsville ISD, as an English/Speech teacher, Assistant High School Principal, Junior High Principal, and High School Principal. What she likes most about Sacred Heart is the family atmosphere among students, staff, and parents. Her goals for this year: to increase student skills as writers and interpreters of literature and to produce confident speakers

**William Hill** comes to us from the Houston area, with many years of teaching and coaching. He graduated from Texas Southern University as a Physical Education Major. He previously worked at Clear Lake Christian School as Head Coach for girls basketball and also as a football coach and baseball coach. Coach Hill likes that everyone at SHS is so nice and helpful. His goal is to do his job to the best of his abilities, and to have fun doing it. He is assisting with all level P.E. classes, as well as teaching 6<sup>th</sup> grade science, business classes, and high school biology.

**Jennifer Loudon** will be multi-tasking, as a PreK-3 teacher, art teacher, and coaching our first ever cross country team, and the swim team. She received her degree in Interdisciplinary Studies from Texas A&M University and has taught at Moulton ISD and Vysherad School. The small school and close family atmosphere are what drew her to Sacred Heart School. Her goals include sharing her love of her faith with her students and instilling in them a love of learning, strong values, and motivation to succeed.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**FALLING LEAVES GALA** – Saturday, October 19, 2019; KC Hall, 5:30 – 11:30 p.m., Music by Broken Alibi. \$100 per couple - includes dinner for 2, open bar, dance and raffle prizes. For more information or to reserve your ticket, call the KC Hall at 361-798-2311 or email [kchall2006@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kchall2006@sbcglobal.net). Tickets may be purchased at Sacred Heart Catholic School. Proceeds benefit the KC Charities and Sacred Heart Catholic School.

**SACRED HEART HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION STRUDEL BAKE** – Saturday, October 26, 2019. See insert for more details.

**BAND TAMALES SALE** - The Sacred Heart Band Booster Club annual tamale sale begins in early October to mid-November. Regular pork, jalapeno and chicken tamales are \$10.00 per dozen. They can be purchased from any band member or the school office at 361-798-4251.

**BOOSTER CLUB FUDGE SALE** – The Sacred Heart Catholic School Booster Club will be selling fudge in November and December. These make great Christmas gifts! Contact Shanna Clark for more information on how to purchase this delicious fudge. 361-772-8527 or email [shanna.clark@shschool.org](mailto:shanna.clark@shschool.org)

**ANNUAL EXTRAVAGANZA** - Sacred Heart Catholic School will be hosting the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Extravaganza on Saturday, February 1, 2020, from 6:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Hallettsville. All proceeds benefit Sacred Heart Catholic School. The extravaganza will include a social hour, hors d'oeuvres, steak dinner for two, evening dance with live music, raffle, and silent auction. More details will be mailed later.

**POLKA FEST** – March 20-22, 2020

**MARATHON FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION**  
April 24, 2020

**2020 GRADUATION**  
Sunday, May 17, 2020 KC Hall, 4:00 p.m.

**SPRING PICNIC** – Sunday, May 24, 2020, KC Hall

**CLASS REUNIONS** – We have a database of Sacred Heart Catholic School alumni. Please call the school at 361-798-4251 or contact Mary Hall with the Sacred Heart Alumni Association: [hallstx.com](http://hallstx.com). We can also provide your class with a tour of the campus. Call the rectory at 361-798-5888 to reserve the Family Center. Some classes hold their class reunions in conjunction with homecoming or on the week-end of the Sacred Heart Parish Picnics (the last Sunday in May, or the first Sunday in September.) Please notify the school and the Hallettsville Tribune Herald (361-798-2481) if you are planning a reunion. They will advertise your reunion at no charge.

## **JOIN US FOR THE SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL HOMECOMING WEEK 2019 ACTIVITIES**

**PEP RALLY - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2019**  
5:00 P.M., SACRED HEART SCHOOL GYM

**HOMECOMING GAME**  
**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>**  
7:30 P.M., Hallettsville Brahma Memorial Stadium  
SACRED HEART INDIANS VS. NIXON-SMILEY

**MASS, DINNER, DANCE**  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2019**  
Memorial Mass 3:00 p.m., Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
5:00 – 6:00 Social 6:00 – 7:30 Dinner  
Knights of Columbus Hall  
Chicken Fried Steak Dinner With All The Trimmings;  
Meal Ticket \$10.00; Purchase tickets at the school  
7:30 – 11:30 Private Homecoming Dance

All SHS students, alumni, family & guests are invited.

**INTERMISSION**  
Crowning of the 2019 Homecoming King and Queen  
GRADUATES OF 1949, 1954, '59, '64, '69, '74, '79,  
'84, '89, '94, '99, 2004, 2009, 2014, 2019  
will be recognized.

## **CAMPUS UPDATES**

If you've driven by the school recently, you may have noticed something different on the front of the school – all new windows. They were installed right before the beginning of school, thanks to a generous donation from Mr. Eddie Kosh. They make the front of the school look very modern. Our next project will be to get new windows for the north and east sides of the school building. Another change was moving the Pre-K 4 classroom to the front of the gym, where it was several years ago. Teacher Debi Bludau worked all summer to move all her supplies and equipment and decorate it to have it perfect for her little ones. Our Pre-K center across the street from the church now holds 2 Pre-K 3 classes, taught by Jennifer Loudon and Lynette Sykora. We appreciate all that these teachers do to get our littlest Indians and Indianettes ready for "big school." We also thank the Pre-K aides: Pickle Cash, Nancy Etzler, Nicole Dworsky, and Candy Rodriguez.

**SHS CLASS OF 1984 - 35 YEAR REUNION -**  
Saturday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> - Ride the class float in the Kolache Fest Parade; Private tour of the school at 4:00 p.m.  
Attend 5:30 mass in memory of Robbie Steffek; Reunion party following mass at Henneke's camp. For more information, contact Elisa Partain at [elisa@admarkttx.com](mailto:elisa@admarkttx.com)

# ATTENTION ALUMNI IT'S STRUDEL BAKE TIME!

DO YOU REMEMBER HELPING MAKE STRUDELS AS A KID? COME AND JOIN US AGAIN ON **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2019** AT THE SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL CAFETERIA AND FAMILY CENTER.

WE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGE ALL ALUMNI TO COME AND HELP MAKE THIS PROJECT A SUCCESS. WE TYPICALLY MAKE OVER **2000 STRUDELS WITH A NET PROFIT CLOSE TO \$30,000** BUT IT CAN ONLY BE DONE WITH A LOT OF HELP FROM VOLUNTEERS.

THE STRUDEL BAKE ENTAILS MANY JOBS. VOLUNTEERS ARE DESPERATELY NEEDED. THERE WILL BE A JOB FOR EVERYONE THAT COMES TO HELP! EXTENSIVE BAKING KNOWLEDGE IS NOT NEEDED TO VOLUNTEER. EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE AND MEN ARE NEEDED AS WELL AS WOMEN. PLEASE BRING YOUR ROLLING PIN FOR ROLLING DOUGH OR PARING KNIFE FOR CORING APPLES. DONATIONS OF SUGAR, SHELLED PECANS AND CASH CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT SCHOOL OR THE RECTORY. WE ARE IN NEED OF SHELLED PECANS.

THE HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION MEMBERS THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!

**STRUDELS WILL BE SELLING FOR \$17.00 BAKED AND \$15.00 UNBAKED.**  
**PLEASE PLACE YOUR ORDERS EARLY**

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN WORKING OR ORDERING STRUDELS THERE ARE SEVERAL OPTIONS:

ONLINE: links can be found on HSA facebook page [facebook.com/indianshsa](https://www.facebook.com/indianshsa)

EMAIL: [shsstrudelbake@gmail.com](mailto:shsstrudelbake@gmail.com)

CALL: CHARLENE BRADBURY 798-3224, ANNETTE HENKE 798-5374, OR BARBARA GRAHMANN 798-4167

HAND DELIVERY: FILL OUT THE BELOW FORM AND RETURN IT TO THE SCHOOL

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ANY AMOUNT OF TIME YOU CAN GIVE WILL BE APPRECIATED.

I CAN WORK SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2019

\_\_\_\_\_ 7:00 AM TO 10:00 AM

\_\_\_\_\_ 10:00 AM TO 1:00 PM

\_\_\_\_\_ 1:00 PM TO 4:00 PM

\_\_\_\_\_ I WILL DONATE CASH, AMOUNT \_\_\_\_\_ (PLEASE ATTACH TO THIS SLIP)

\_\_\_\_\_ I WILL DONATE SUGAR, AMOUNT \_\_\_\_\_ LBS. (800 LBS SUGAR NEEDED)

\_\_\_\_\_ I WILL DONATE SHELLED PECANS. AMOUNT \_\_\_\_\_ (200 QTS OF PECANS NEEDED)

\_\_\_\_\_ I WILL DONATE ONE BOX OF APPLES. \$30.00

**DONATIONS NEEDED BY OCTOBER 14th**

I WILL ORDER \_\_\_\_\_ UNBAKED (NO SPECIAL ORDERS).

\_\_\_\_\_ BAKED STRUDELS (NO SPECIAL ORDERS).

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

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**PRINT NAME**

Email: \_\_\_\_\_