



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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NOTICES!

EARLY DISMISSAL: Friday, Oct. 1st; 1:00 p.m. Faculty meeting

NO SCHOOL: Monday, October 11th – Columbus Day

OPEN HOUSE, REPORT CARD DISTRIBUTION: **Monday, Oct. 18th** – 2:00 dismissal; Open House 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. or 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. to pick up your child's report cards in homeroom. You will be able to meet with your child's teachers. Parents of students in grades 5-12 can visit teachers in their classrooms. Please limit your conference to 5 minutes. Please schedule an appointment if more time is needed. If you are unable to attend the Open House, please call the school at 798-4251 to make other arrangements.

SUPPORT SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL BY SUPPORTING THE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

SWEEPSTAKES! Sponsored by Catholic Life Insurance Help support our school by purchasing Catholic Schools Sweepstakes raffle tickets. Tickets are \$5.00 each. **ALL MONIES FROM THE SALES OF THE TICKETS GO DIRECTLY TO OUR SCHOOL.** The goal this year is to sell 10,000 tickets for a net profit of \$50,000.00. Since we began the Catholic Life Sweepstakes, we have sold 63,601 tickets for a net profit of \$318,005. The money raised is used to enhance staff salaries and support our school general operating fund.

GRAND PRIZE INCLUDES THE CHOICE OF:
2022 Ford F150 Truck OR 2022 Ford Focus Sedan
OR Prepaid \$20,000 Visa Credit Card

The official prize drawings will be on February 14, 2022. Every Sacred Heart Catholic School family is asked to sell at least 24 tickets. More tickets are available from Karen Wysocki in the library or call the office (798-4251).

The first turn in date will be Friday, Dec. 3, 2021.

FINAL TURN IN: TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022.

GOOD NEWS BULLETIN October 2021

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. Our classes will be praying the rosary daily. The rosary is a very special devotional to Our Blessed Mother. We encourage families to pray the rosary for peace in our world and especially throughout our country. With all of us so busy, it can be a challenge to spend quiet time in prayer. We encourage families to pray together, just as our Sacred Heart family is praying the rosary together daily.

As this year continues to move forward we strive to keep our students and staff safe. There are many challenges that COVID-19 has brought us, but we will continue to move forward. Thank you for your continued support in trying to keep our Sacred Heart family safe during this pandemic. Please continue to pray for all those who are sick, suffering and those who have lost loved ones. Be on the lookout for the 2nd Annual Cash and Cattle Raffle. We are currently working on putting the raffle together to benefit teacher salaries. Last year's raffle was a huge success and we ask for your support this year. We expect to have over \$25,000 in prizes of cash or cattle. Tickets will be \$100. Winners have the option to pick cash or cattle. Get your tickets and encourage your friends and family to buy them. Thank you to all of those families who have graciously donated to this great cause. Tickets are expected to go out this month for the December drawing.

This year, we are planning our annual Strudel Bake sale for October 30th. Be sure to order your homemade strudels and come out to help that day as we make our famous Sacred Heart strudels. Thank you to everyone who helps make this event a success!

IMPORTANT NOTICES

SAFETY AT HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL GAMES – We want to ensure a safe and pleasant environment at the high school football games and avoid accidents. We ask that young children (those not involved in the actual game) do not play football, or any game involving a ball inside the fenced area of the stadium. Please do not allow your children to bring footballs, etc. to the game. Students are also not allowed to play underneath the bleachers or run up and down the bleachers. All young children are asked to remain in the bleachers unless supervised by an adult. Parents, we need your help in supervising your children. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

TRANSPORTATION CODE FOR WHEN APPROACHING A SCHOOL BUS LOADING OR UNLOADING STUDENTS – Please be reminded that according to Section 545.066 of the Texas Transportation Code, a driver of a vehicle on a road/street/highway, when approaching from either direction a school bus stopped on the road/street/highway to load or unload a student, must stop before reaching the school bus when the bus is operating the red flashing lights. The driver of the vehicle may not proceed until the school bus resumes motion and the red flashing lights are no longer activated. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$200 or more than \$1,000, except that the offense is a Class A misdemeanor if the person causes serious bodily injury.

DIOCESAN SAFETY AND LIABILITY GUIDELINES TRANSPORTING STUDENTS FOR EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES – Students will be transported to and from extra-curricular activities by school-provided vehicles (bus) whenever possible. If a parent wishes to transport a child home after an activity is over, the parent must personally sign the child out with the coach, band director, or sponsor of the activity. **The child may only be released to the parent and not anyone else, such as a relative.** If extraordinary circumstances arise, the principal must be notified by the parent in writing at least two days in advance for approval. (See the Parent/Teacher Handbook – pg. 48)

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

SOPHOMORE MEETING, MONDAY, OCT. 4TH – 6:30 in the Family Center, for all sophomores & parents

PSAT TESTING - Wednesday, Oct. 13th – all 10th and 11th graders will take the PSAT and all 9th graders will take the PSAT 8/9. Students need to get a good night's sleep, eat a healthy breakfast, and be at school on time. There are no make-up dates for the PSAT.

FAFSA COMPLETION FOR SENIORS, MONDAY, OCTOBER 25TH – For seniors and 1 parent, this is an opportunity to complete your FAFSA application, which is required for many scholarships. Monday, October 25th, 6:00 p.m., Computer Lab. Bring SSN's & 2022 tax information.

DUAL CREDIT INFORMATIONAL MEETING:
Monday, January 10, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., in the Family Center. Victoria College requires that all students who are interested in taking dual credit classes attend this informational meeting. Students or parents who miss this meeting will need to attend the informational meeting held at another school. Students currently taking dual credit classes, do not need to attend.

2021 - 2022 SAT TESTS: Oct. 2nd*, Nov. 6th, Dec. 4th*, March 12th, May 7th*, June 4th; * Denotes offered at HHS
Deadline to register for Nov. 6th test – Oct. 8th
Deadline to register for Dec. 5th test – Nov. 4th
Deadline to register for March 12th test – Feb. 11th

To register, go to: www.sat.org/register

For practice tests, go to Khan Academy:

<https://www.khanacademy.org/>

2021 - 2022 ACT TESTS: Oct. 23rd; Dec. 11th*; Feb. 12th; April 2nd*; June 11th; July 16th; * Denotes offered at HHS
Deadline to register for Dec. 11th test – Nov. 5th
Deadline to register for Feb. 12th test – Jan. 7th
Deadline to register for April 2nd test – Feb. 25th

To register, go to: www.actstudent.org

COUNSELOR – Ana Henke ana.henke@shschool.org

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

3 Kateri Olsovsky	16 Jackson Pustejovsky
4 Lane Henke	17 Emily Bludau
5 Lauren Beran	Clayton Haas
Brady Haas	Asa Murphy
Taft Johnson	Wade Shimek
Mrs. Shadra Pastucha	18 Eland Savell
7 Landon Rother	19 Hallie Taylor
Layne Sevcik	22 Bransen Miranda
9 Mrs. Ruth Barton	Kennedy Zappe
10 Cameron Cull	24 Mr. Rick Masek
11 Karlie Hotz	26 Katherine Pavliska
Kaylie Hotz	28 Riley Haas
12 Mary Beth Krischke	Brentley Jahn
13 Kylie Grahmann	Edward Kubenka
Michael Koeth	30 Natalie Osina
14 Msgr. John Peters	31 Grace Harvey
	Ethan Tumamao

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

21 – Allan & Jamie Grahmann (32 years)

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MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2021 - BLESSING OF ANIMALS; October 4th is the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi. St. Francis preached peace and unity. He believed all things God created are like our brothers and sisters. He often addressed the sun, moon, stars, and animals as brothers or sisters. Parents, you may bring animals to be blessed at a prayer service in front of the school between 2:45 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. No pets will be allowed in the classroom during the day. If it is not possible to bring your child's animal, send a picture that your child can hold during the blessing.

OCTOBER- RESPECT LIFE MONTH Life Chain—on Sunday, October 3, 2021, from 2:00—3:15 p.m. Come join us in prayer. Gathering will begin at 2:00 p.m. Life Chain is a call to the Church to stand before God on behalf of the babies affected by legalized abortion. Please stand with us in repentance and prayer, seeking changed hearts and His healing for our nation. We will meet on the grass in front of the KC Hall on 77S in Hallettsville. Bring your whole family! Children are a sign of life. You may bring umbrellas and lawn chairs if you cannot stand for an hour. You may bring drinks. For more information call 798-6227.

RED RIBBON WEEK ACTIVITIES – OCTOBER 25th – 27th – Sacred Heart Catholic School will participate in the Red Ribbon Campaign from October 25th through 27th. This red ribbon is more than just a ribbon. It is a symbol of awareness and a sign that we will continue to strive for a drug-free state and nation. The red ribbon is a powerful educational tool that will be utilized not only 1 week in October, but also throughout the year.

TAMALE SALE – The Sacred Heart Band Booster Club annual tamale sale begins October 18th and will go through November 8th. Regular pork, jalapeno, and chicken are available for purchase - \$12.00 per dozen. They can be purchased from any SHS student or the school. Pick up will be Thursday, November 18th at the KC Hall. For more information call the school at 361-798-4251 or email sacredhearttamales@gmail.com.

HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION STRUDEL BAKE - Saturday, October 30th, in the Family Center; Come out to help and be sure to order your strudels! Prices \$17 unbaked and \$20 baked.

FALLING LEAVES GALA – October 16, 2021; Featuring Shiner's 2nd Wind; \$100 per couple, or \$50 single; Includes dinner, open bar, music, and chance for prizes. Doors open 5:30; dinner 6:30 – 8:00; Dance 8:00 – 11:30; Tickets available at the KC Hall and the school.

OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY –The feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is on October 7th, and we will honor Mary by praying the mysteries of the rosary in school every day during October. Each academic class will pray a part of the Rosary so by the end of the day all students and teachers will have said the entire Rosary. When we pray the rosary, we say ten "Hail Marys" while we think about a different mystery in the life of Jesus: Joyful (Monday and Saturday), Sorrowful (Tuesday and Friday), Glorious (Sunday and Wednesday) or Luminous (Thursday). Perhaps you can find a time to unite with us by praying the Rosary some time during the day or at least one decade. Even better, you might pray the family rosary at night, a custom of many families years ago. How about reviving that custom? Oft repeated words of Father Patrick Payton, the Rosary Crusader, "The family that prays together, stays together."

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR – October 18 - 22, 2021 in the library.

The book fair will be open the following times:

Monday 7:45 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. (Report Cards-Parent/Teacher Conference);
Tuesday - Thursday 7:45 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Friday 7:45 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Parents are welcome to come by the fair. However, if you are not able to attend and do not want to send cash with your child, you will be able to create a student online e-Wallet account. More information will be sent home with your children about this.