

**Sacred Heart School
63 Sacred Heart Lane
Glyndon, MD 21071**

December 2011

Dear Sacred Heart Families,

We are continuing to utilize our website to provide information to you. Please check our homepage and calendar section for information about school events throughout the year. We will post an Administrative Newsletter on the 1st and 15th of the month. Check the Featured News Section of our home page at www.shgschool.org.

Calendar Reminders

Mass for Immaculate Conception – December 8th. Students wear full dress uniform.

Noon Dismissal – December 9th and December 21st

School Closed for Christmas Break – December 22nd through January 2nd

School Reopens – January 3rd, Tuesday.

Christmas Program

Students in Kindergarten, Grade 1, Band and Chorus will perform a Christmas Show on Thursday, December 15th from 9am-11am. (Snow date: December 20th 9am-11am)

Weather Reminder

In the event of inclement weather Sacred Heart School follows Baltimore County, Hereford Zone. WBAL TV Channel 11 and WBAL Radio 1090 are your fastest way to receive information. Once this announcement is made, we will also post on the home page of the school website. (Be sure to click your refresh button on your computer.)

Changes in Staff

There are a few changes in staff. Mrs. Stacey Coyne, Middle School Teaching Assistant has resigned to pursue a full-time year round position. We thank her for her many years at Sacred Heart and wish her well in this new endeavor. Thank you to Mrs. Sharon Rees who has moved into the Middle School Teaching Assistant position and to Mrs. Mary Pat McManus who will increase her hours to assume the Middle School Lab Assistant duties.

Mrs. Joann Phillips, 7th Grade Homeroom, Middle School Science and Math teacher has resigned and will be leaving us on December 16th to pursue a position in the medical field. We thank her for her service to the children of Sacred Heart and wish her well.

We welcome Mrs. Jennifer Krueger as the 7th Grade Homeroom, Middle School Math and 6th Grade Science teacher as of January 3rd. Mrs. Krueger's credentials and educational experience make her highly qualified for this position. She has also served as a long term middle school substitute and volunteer math assistant here at Sacred Heart School where her children attend.

Admissions for Siblings

If you have a sibling of a child already attending Sacred Heart who will attend for the first time next year, please be sure to let us know now so that we can reserve a space. Visit <http://www.shgschool.org/admissions.aspx> and click Application 2012-2013.

From the Guidance Counselor

We are now well into the excitement, the preparation the plans for celebrating Christmas! As we plan to celebrate the birth of our lord, Jesus Christ, many families are also remembering those they have lost. This article offers some useful, information how to remember those we have lost during this holiday season.

<http://www.todayscatholicnews.org/2011/11/hope-for-the-holidays/>

Tuition Assistance Information

All families are eligible to apply to the Archdiocese of Baltimore for Tuition Grant and Aid for the 2012-2013 school year.

To apply, you may go directly to the application site on the web at <https://www.factstuitionaid.com/facts/gaapp>. If you prefer not to apply "on-line" you can pick up a paper application at your school from Mrs. Erika Vassallo. The deadline for

this Archdiocesan application is February 29, 2012. If you have any questions about how to apply, feel free to contact Mrs. Vassallo. Applications are being accepted now.

School and Parish based Financial Aid will also be available to our Category I families, and applications will be accepted in the Spring. New this year, Sacred Heart will also use the Facts form.

If you have any questions about applying for financial aid—either for the Archdiocesan or for the school funds please contact Matthew Russell at the Archdiocese (410) 547-5549 or Erika Vassallo at Sacred Heart School (410)833-0857.

Scholarship Information

The Knott Scholarship information and application is available online at www.knottscholar.org . Students currently in grades 3 and 8 who meet their qualifications are encouraged to apply.

Upcoming Outreach Committee's Activities

Advent Adopt-A-Family Project Nov 21-Dec 14: The Adopt-A-Family project provides Christmas gifts for those less fortunate at St. Ann's Parish(Sacred Heart's sister parish) in Baltimore. Each homeroom (grades 1-8) adopts a family and provides gifts for that family. Preschool and Kindergarten classes collect hats and gloves to help the children at St. Ann's. Gifts will be collected from Nov 21-Dec 14, and delivered to St. Ann's on December 14th. Be on the lookout for the Adopt-A-Family information that will include each family's wish list (this is just to get ideas) for Christmas (gifts other than those in the wish list are always, always welcome). This information will be sent home just before Thanksgiving. Thank you in advance for your support of this wonderful Outreach tradition. We welcome volunteers on December 14th to organize the gifts and deliver them to St. Ann's in the late morning. Please feel free to participate in just the organization of gifts or just the delivery of gifts or both. It is a really fun morning. Contact Adele Kootz (gatorlion@comcast.net) if interested.

The Coat Collection (which also included winter sweaters and blankets this year) and Candy Collection went very well this year. Thank you for sharing your abundant blessings with those less fortunate. Please feel free to contact: Adele Kootz at gatorlion@comcast.net, Laura Keating at laura.keating@verizon.net or Alicia Mezu at almezu@verizon.net with any questions or suggestions.

Madonna Ministry Baby Bottle Collection: Large baby bottle banks placed in each homeroom in grades K-5 and smaller bottles will be sent home with each Middle School student after Thanksgiving on November 28th. These baby bottles/banks are for collection of money to be donated to the Greater Baltimore Center for Pregnancy Concern. Any amount of donation is welcome. Checks are acceptable and should be made out to the Greater Baltimore Center for Pregnancy Concern. Middle School students should return the baby bottles by December 14th (baby bottles are reused each year for this collection). For more information about the center, see their website: www.cpcforhelp.org or contact Gina Ruppert at ginamarier@hotmail.com.

“You who do not yet see God will, by loving your neighbor, make yourself worthy of seeing him. By loving your neighbor, you cleanse your eyes so you can see God.” ~St. Augustine

Sacred Heart Parish

All children ages 3-13 are invited to be in the Parish Christmas Pageant. **See flyer below for details!**

We wish you a blessed Advent and Joyous Christmas! Our next newsletter will be posted in January.

Sincerely in Christ,

Sheri L. Wright
Principal

Jeanne W. Cossentino
Assistant Principal

Scroll down for attachments.



Knights of Columbus #5208

Keep Christ in Christmas

Coloring Contest



Contest Rules:

All students of public and private schools who are parishioners at Sacred Heart Parish are eligible to enter.

There are three age group categories: Grades 1-3, Grades 4-6, and Grades 7-8.

The theme of all posters must express the theme, "Keep Christ in Christmas"

The poster must be on poster board or paper measuring 12 inches by 18 inches.

The poster must be the actual work of the student submitting it and collaboration with teachers and family members is encouraged. Contestants may use water color, crayon, ink, or any combination thereof. No computer graphics, no pictures from books, magazines, etc, and no collages. Glitter and items to provide a 3-D effect may also be used such as cotton balls, etc. Appropriate slogans or verses can be incorporated into the work.

Each poster must have a 3 X 5 index card on the back of the poster which lists the following information: Artist Name, Telephone Number, Name of Parent/Guardian, School and Grade, Age and Home Address.

Judging will be based on the following categories:

Expression of Theme – 20 %

Originality – 35%

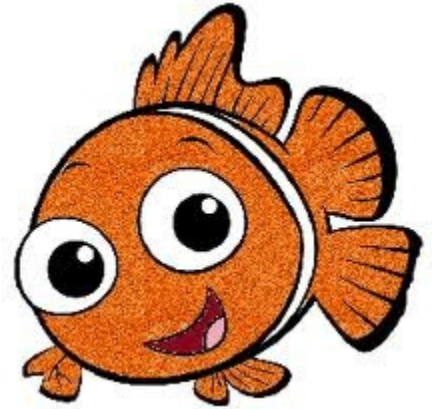
Artistic Quality and Presentation – 45%

Prizes:

A \$100.00 US Savings Bond will be issued to the winner in each age group. All posters for Sacred Heart students should be returned to Mrs. Barber, the school receptionist while non Sacred Heart students should submit their posters to the Sacred Heart Parish Center by December 12, 2011.

Please contact Dave Coyne at 410-871-9393 if you have any questions.

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Winter Session Class Times Starting:

Sunday, January 8, 2012 @ 4:00 pm

Spring Session Class Times Starting:

Sunday, March 18, 2012 @ 4:00 pm

Tuesday, March 27, 2012 @ 5:00 pm

Class Fee: \$80 for an 8 week session

Classes are 30 minutes in length, with a 5:1 swimmer/instructor ratio. Instructors are all Red Cross/*SwimAmerica* certified. All participants must be pre-registered for the class. Please have swimmers register and remain in either the Sunday or Tuesday class for the entire session.

Registration: Please mail form to: Notre Dame Preparatory School
Attn: *SwimAmerica* Lessons
825 Hampton Lane
Towson, MD 21281

Questions? Please email swimamericalessons@yahoo.com

