



The Cougar Connection



Heavenly Father, help us to remember that our life is a gift. May we take time today to tell our family and friends just how much we care about each one of them. May we live each moment as a gift and know that You, O Lord, are always with us guiding and encouraging us to treasure all that we have Amen.

PRAYERS: We continue to keep in prayer all our families and extended families who are experiencing difficult times. May the love and support of our community bring each of our families comfort.

VETERANS DAY/NO SCHOOL: Reminder: Tomorrow, Friday, November 10th, school and preschool will be closed in Honor of Veterans Day. See you Monday!

TRIBUTE TO OUR MILITARY: We welcome you to join us Monday, November 13th starting at 8:15 in front of the flagpole for our special tribute to all active and retired military. Following the ceremony, we will host refreshments for guests and families in the parish hall until 9:15 am. At 9:15 there will be a Q & A student assembly with our military quests.

PTG GENERAL MEETING: On Wednesday, November 15th from 6:00 – 7:00 pm PTG will hold a general meeting. Parents, we ask that you please try and attend this informational meeting regarding Fall Fest updates, curriculum, start testing, WASC and much more. The class who has the highest parent attendance will receive a free dress day. There will be light snacks and refreshments after the meeting. Hope to see you there!

THANK YOU: A very big thank you to all our 7th & 8th grade parents who volunteered their time for organizing the delicious pancake breakfast enjoyed by all! Without your time and dedication this would not have been made possible. Once again, thank you to **Kristy Wentworth** for volunteering her time to have picture make-up day run so smoothly.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE: The Men’s Club and St. Columba’s food drive has begun. Each class is assigned to bring in the following items: The Men’s Club will also donate to each basket a gift card and a turkey or ham. All food items will be picked up from school on November 17th and will be distributed November 18th. We thank you in advance for your generosity and kindness in giving.

- Preschool - Canned evaporated milk
- K - Cornbread (box)
- 1st - Boxed stuffing
- 2nd - Canned cranberry sauce
- 3rd - Boxed or bags of potatoes
- 4th - Canned corn
- 5th - Canned gravy
- 6th - Canned green beans
- 7th - Canned yams & bags of marshmallows
- 8th - Canned pumpkin

HONOR ROLL

First quarter honor roll certificates for grades 5 through 8 will be presented Friday, November 17th after Mass with a special assembly. We welcome all our parents to join us.

THANKSGIVING FEAST K, 1, 2, GRADES PRAYER SERVICE GR: 1 & 2

Tuesday, November, 14th our Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd graders will be having their Thanksgiving Feast – followed by crafts and activities. Thank you to the teachers and parents for making this time a fun-filled event for our children. On Thursday, November 16th Mrs. Madsen 1st grade and Mrs. Goncalves 2nd grade will be holding their special Thanksgiving Prayer Service starting at 8:15 am in the Church. We welcome you to join us.

JUNIOR HIGH THANKSGIVING FEAST

Thursday, November 16th our junior high will celebrate their Thanksgiving Feast Day with a special lunch from 11:30 – 12:30 in the parish hall. Thank you to the junior high teachers, and parents for making this a special afternoon.

ADVENT WREATH NIGHT: Save the date! We welcome all our families to join us Saturday, November 25th for our 2nd annual Advent Wreath making in the parish hall after the 5:30 Mass (approximately 6:30). The cost is \$20.00, and all supplies will be provided for the wreath making. Wreath will be blessed. Pizza, drinks and dessert will be served. Forms were sent home last Friday, and need to be returned by November 17th with the \$20.00. You can pay cash, and if paying with check, please make checks payable to St. Columba Church.

WINTER SPORTS: Winter sports forms were sent home on Friday. Please return your child's permission form by November 14th. Also, please keep in mind, if we have enough players for each team, we will also need coaches. If you can volunteer your time, please contact the school office.

GIFT CARDS: With holidays just around the corner, it's a great time to order those gift cards for family and friends. If you purchase a lot of gift cards a great way is to order from St. Columba School. You can go online to www.shopwithscrip.com enter the school code 5B746D45922 and follow the simple instructions. Order forms are also available in the school office. Due to the shipping cost; all orders need to be received by Friday of each week so we can place all orders at one time. For all our families who support this program for our school we want to say thank you. Your support is greatly appreciated.

SPORTS SCHEDULE:

Team	Date	Time	Location
Boys Varsity Football St. Columba vs. Madeleine (red)	11/11	12:00 pm	Holy Trinity
Boys Varsity Football St. Columba vs. St. Charles	11/11	8:00 am	Holy Trinity

Volleyball and flag football season is over! Congratulations to our boys and girls teams for representing our school with enthusiasm and great sportsmanship, and thank you to all our coaches for all your time and dedication for all your many hours in helping our teams with a great season. Also, please remember to turn in your sports jersey to Mr. Fairchild or the school office by November 17th.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- NOVEMBER 10-
 - **No School Veterans' Day**
- NOVEMBER 13-
 - **Veteran's Ceremony** starting at 8:15 in front of the flag pole
- NOVEMBER 14-
 - **K-2 Thanksgiving Feast 12:30-2:30**
 - After School Band 2:55-4:55
- NOVEMBER 15-
 - **PTG General Meeting 6:00-7:00**
 - **2nd Gr. Reconciliation Parent Talks 7:00-8:00 M/C**
- NOVEMBER 16-
 - **Thanksgiving Prayer Service Gr. 1st & 2nd 8:15**
 - **Jr. High Feast Day 11:30-12:30**
 - Mythology Club Gr. 6-8 3:00-3:30
 - Spanish Gr. 5-7 3:30-4:00
- NOVEMBER 17-
 - **All School Mass 8:15/Formal Dress Uniform**
 - **Honor Roll Assembly**
- NOVEMBER 20-24-
 - **Thanksgiving Holiday**
- NOVEMBER 24-
 - **Happy Thanksgiving**
- NOVEMBER 25-
 - **Advent Wreath Making After the 5:30 Mass approx 6:30 pm in the Hall**
- NOVEMBER 27-
 - **School Resumes**
Morning Assembly 8:00
 - After School Mad Science 2:55-3:55
- NOVEMBER 28-
 - After School Band 2:55-4:55
- NOVEMBER 29-
 - Parents in Prayer 8:00-8:30 Library
 - After School Spanish
 - o Gr. 1-2 3:00-3:30
 - o Gr.3-4 3:30-4:00
- NOVEMBER 30-
 - After School Mythology Club Gr. 6-8 3:00-3:30
 - After School Spanish
 - o Gr. 5-7 3:30-4:00