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CELTIC NEWSLETTER

A Message from Mr. Frye:

The word gratitude is derived from the Latin word *gratia*, which means grace, graciousness, or gratefulness (depending on the context).

What a blessing to have a holiday which encourages gratitude in each of us; the invitation to look for the many blessings in our lives and be thankful for them.

On behalf of our staff, please know *we are thankful* for your presence in our school community and are truly grateful for the joy your children bring into our hallways and classrooms each day.

May you all have a safe, peaceful and wonderful Thanksgiving holiday!

[Click Here for the School Calendar](#)

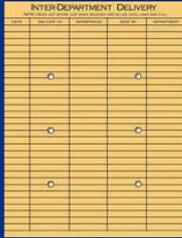


Congratulations!

Congratulations to our JV Girls Basketball Team. They won 2nd place in the CYO Basketball Tournament this past weekend! They had a great record: 11-2. Way to go, Lady Celtics!

Good job to our Jr JV Team, as well. The girls had a great season. We are very proud of you!

In Today's Brown Envelope:



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Thanksgiving Schedule



Another reminder: School will be closed on November 22nd, 23rd and 26th for Thanksgiving Break.

Just in Time for **Holiday Shopping!**

AmazonSmile is a website operated by **Amazon** with the same products, prices, and shopping features as **Amazon.com**. The only difference is that when you shop on **AmazonSmile**, the **AmazonSmile** Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice.

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Music News

Mark your Calendars: CDT's annual Christmas Concert will be on **Tuesday, December 18th at 7:00 p.m.** All students in Grades 1-7 are expected to participate in the concert, as well as students in PK4 and Kindergarten who will be making a joint cameo performance. Lyric Sheets were sent home with students in Grades 1-7 last week. Thank you for encouraging your children to practice over the Thanksgiving holiday!



Volunteer Opportunity You Can Do at Home



The Cash Bash Committee is still looking for a volunteer to help update records. Experience working with an Excel spreadsheet is needed. Having updated information will greatly assist us in selling tickets for the upcoming Cash Bash.

If you can help, please email cdtcashbash@gmail.com or call/text Elyse Bogner at 724-433-7497.

Soccer Sign-Up

Attention: Students in Grades 3-6

Soccer sign-ups will take place upon return from the Thanksgiving break. The teams will be co-ed and once we know how many players we have interested, we can follow up with further information.



Student Council Updates

Jared Box Advent Collection

Because last year's Lenten Collection went so well, Student Council wanted to do the Jared Box activity again. The attached flyers give more details on how this project will work, so please print and read them carefully. Each grade has been assigned an age group. This project will be running throughout the entire Advent season!

Holiday Extravaganza:



Looking for Christmas decorating enthusiasts! We are assembling a team of a few parents who would be available to set up our school's Christmas trees in preparation for the **Holiday Extravaganza on November 29th**. Typically, we assemble and string the lights on five artificial trees throughout the school. When the children arrive on the evening of the Extravaganza, they are more than ready to jump in with the trimming of the trees, and in a very short time we have 5 lovingly decorated trees adorned with the ornaments that each of our families, past and present, have contributed over the years. Of course, no enthusiastic child is interested in waiting on adults to haul trees out of boxes, fluff branches, etc., so **we will set up the trees Wednesday, November 28th**. With a team of 3 or 4 parents, we finish in a few hours and have some fun together. We will meet in the Cafeteria right after drop-off. ***Please let the office know if you would be willing to help for a few hours in the last week of November to get our school ready to celebrate our Savior's birth!***

The night also includes family fellowship with cookies and hot chocolate. If you are able to send in a dozen of your family's favorite cookies, please let the main office know. Hot chocolate and bottled water will be provided.

Advent Reflection Night:



The season of Advent gives us an opportunity to prepare our hearts for the wonderful celebration of Christmas. However, so often we forget that we need to prepare for Advent, too! Come join us on **Friday, November 30th** for our Advent Reflection Night and you'll have the time to think of how to celebrate this great season. We will start at 6:00 p.m. with a pizza dinner followed by family friendly activities from 6:30-8:00 p.m. You will go home equipped with resources to help your family navigate the Advent season with a sense of peace and anticipation.

Make sure to check out the electronic flier sent with this week's newsletter!

Holly Jolly Christmas:

Select Chorus will be going Christmas caroling on **Saturday, December 1st from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.**, followed by a performance at the Latrobe Art Center from **11:00-11:30 a.m.** This year, Chamber Ensemble is invited to join Select Chorus in a joint performance at the Latrobe Art Center.



St. Nicholas Workshop:

St. Nicholas workshop will be held on **December 13th and 14th**. All students from Preschool through Grade 7 will have an opportunity to shop for their family members during class.



The students will bring in a list of all the people for whom they wish to shop and will be given a volunteer to help them shop for items, keeping them on budget. All items this year will range from \$1.00 to \$5.00. Please keep in mind that this is NOT a fundraiser. We had parent volunteers buy items from local stores and the children will be purchasing items at cost. We will have great gifts for brothers and sisters, aunts and uncles, parents, grandparents and even pets! It is so exciting to witness the look on the children's faces when they see the St. Nicholas Workshop and hear Christmas music playing in the background.

Donations for wrapping paper, gift bags, bows, etc. are being accepted. Please drop off items at the Main Office. If you would like to help with this event, please contact Christie Borelli at cconti33@yahoo.com.

Please make sure that your clearances are up to date. Volunteers **MUST** comply with Pennsylvania law with regard to volunteering.

*Virtues
in Practice*

How were YOU thoughtful of others today?

Choose COURTESY!



Do to others whatever you would have them do to you. This is the law and the prophets.

~Matthew 7:12

Prayer Intentions

Each week we pray for our school community. If you have a special intention you would like to have listed in the Newsletter, please contact Mr. Frye at kfrye@cdtschool.org.



Please pray for:

**David Pohland
Avery Soich
Liz Kozar (grandmother
of Julianna and Ava Kozar)
Catholic Education**

Please join us in praying this special prayer for Mr. Michael Walker. We pray, if it be God's will, that he may be healed through Rose Hawthorne's intercession.

**PRAYER FOR THE
CANONIZATION OF
ROSE HAWTHORNE**

MOTHER MARY ALPHONSA, O.P.



Lord God, in your special love for the sick, the poor and the lonely, you raised up Rose Hawthorne (Mother Mary Alphonsa) to be the servant of those afflicted with incurable cancer with no one to care for them. In serving the outcast and the abandoned, she strove to see in them the face of your Son. In her eyes, those in need were always "Christ's Poor."

Grant that her example of selfless charity and her courage in the face of great obstacles will inspire us to be generous in our service of neighbor. We humbly ask that you glorify your servant, Rose Hawthorne, on earth according to the designs of your holy will. Through her intercession, grant the favor that I now present (here make your request).
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Have mercy on us! (3 times)

Our Father Hail Mary Glory be to the Father

