

# ***CDT Connections Booklet***



2019-2020

*An outline of the happenings in our CDT  
Community and ways to stay connected*

***For as in one body we have many parts, and all the parts do not  
have the same function,so we, though many, are one body in  
Christ and individually parts of one another. Romans 12: 4-5***

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Service

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Awards Day  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation

## **June**

School Picnic

## **July**

Summer Bingo Fundraiser

# Ongoing Activities

## Adoration

**Who:** All students and staff

**What:** Adoration is an opportunity for each class to spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel. Each class from K-8 attends every other Monday.

**When:** Monday mornings throughout the school year

## Box Tops for Education

**Who:** CDT community

**What:** Parents can earn money for CDT by scanning receipts with the new Box Tops for Education App, available on Google Play or the Apple App Store. Every item on your receipt with a Box Tops logo earns 10 cents for CDT.

**When:** Every time you shop

**Coordinator:** Mrs. McDonald [amcdonald@cdtschool.org](mailto:amcdonald@cdtschool.org)

## Brown Envelopes

**Who:** Any parent with clearances

**What:** Parents assist by placing necessary items into each family's brown envelope.

**When:** Completed each Wednesday mid-morning or afternoon

**Coordinator:** Mrs. Elyse Bogner [ebogner@cdtschool.org](mailto:ebogner@cdtschool.org)

## Cafeteria Helpers

**Who:** Any parent with clearances

**What:** Volunteers assist students with their lunch and recess time. Additionally, it is an opportunity to see your child(ren), get to know your child(ren)'s friends. Sign up is not necessary.

**When:** Daily from 11:10 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

**Coordinator:** Mrs. Emily Peer [epeer@cdschoool.org](mailto:epeer@cdschoool.org)

## **Fellowship Hour**

**Who:** All parents and grandparents

**What:** Fellowship Hour is an informal gathering of parents after Mass for a fellowship hour in the Divine Artworks Center (across the school parking lot). Enjoy coffee, snacks, and a chance to visit with other parents. Toys are available to keep young children entertained.

**When:** The second Wednesday of each month from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

## **Friday Mornings in the Prayer Room**

**Who:** Any CDT student

**What:** Students have an opportunity each Friday morning to spend time in the prayer room from 8:00 to 8:20 a.m.

**When:** Friday mornings throughout the school year

## **Giant Eagle Apples for Students**

**Who:** The entire community

**What:** Participating in this program supports CDT financially.

When you link your Giant Eagle Advantage Card to CDT's exclusive School ID # 0200, your purchase (gas or grocery) will automatically earn funds for CDT's overall educational needs.

You can link your advantage card to CDT's code #0200 at [GiantEagle.com/AFTS](http://GiantEagle.com/AFTS)

**When:** Link your card anytime and raise funds now through March 2020

## **Library Help**

**Who:** Parents or grandparents with clearances

**What:** Volunteers assist Mrs. Ortiz by re-shelving library books.

**When:** Times are flexible

**Coordinator:** Mrs. Cathie Ortiz [cortiz@cdtschool.org](mailto:cortiz@cdtschool.org)

## **Logic School Dances**

**Who:** Logic School students along with chaperones

**What:** Dances are an opportunity for the Logic School students to enjoy fellowship and fun throughout the school year. It is also an opportunity for parents to chaperone and enjoy watching their child in this social setting.

**When:** October, December, February

**Coordinator:** Mrs. Brigi Slough [bslough@cdtschool.org](mailto:bslough@cdtschool.org)

## **Parish Bulletin Sharing**

**Who:** CDT students and their families

**What:** This is a weekly opportunity for students to win a lunch treat by bringing in their church bulletins to be entered into a drawing. A "Bulletin Box" is located near the office.

**When:** Students should bring in bulletins on Monday morning.

## **Rosary and Mass**

**Who:** All students, staff, and community

**What:** This is an opportunity to celebrate mass together on Wednesday mornings or the Holy Day of Obligation that week. The 3<sup>rd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grades contributing to various parts during the Mass each week.

**When:** Rosary at 8:35 a.m. followed by Mass at 9:00 a.m.

## **Scrip Program**

**Who:** Available to CDT families and the surrounding community

**What:** This program allows gives participants the opportunity to purchase gift cards and receive a tuition credit. Hundreds of retail stores and online shopping are available. These can be purchased by CDT families for credit and by others who wish to gift their credit to a CDT family.

**When:** Cash & Carry gift cards are available most Fridays 8:20-8:50 a.m. Check the main calendar for the most up-to-date schedule.

**Coordinator:** Maggie Salandro [maggielee85@aol.com](mailto:maggielee85@aol.com)

## **Skating Parties**

**Who:** The entire CDT community

**What:** Skating Parties are an opportunity for students and their families to enjoy fellowship and fun at the Latrobe Skating Center.

Admission is \$6.00

**When:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month, 6:00-8:30 p.m.

## **Student Council Charitable Collections**

**Who:** The entire CDT community

**What:** Student Council hosts collection events throughout the school year to benefit local organizations. Parents and students are invited to donate as they are able.

Volunteers are often needed to help deliver items.

**When:** Throughout the school year

# Monthly Happenings

## **OCTOBER**

### **The Living Rosary**

**Who:** All CDT staff and students

**What:** The entire CDT community will not only pray the Rosary to celebrate how we honor the rosary this month, but will BE the Living Rosary, forming the Rosary in the school parking lot.

### **Halloween Parade and Class Halloween Parties**

**Who:** The entire CDT community

**What:** Halloween festivities are an opportunity to enjoy watching the Annual Halloween Parade, provide snacks for your child's party (as planned by your PTF representative), and enjoy the fellowship of other parents. Parents send in snacks/treats as outlined by PTF representatives.

## **NOVEMBER**

### **Veterans Day Service**

**Who:** CDT students, staff and their family members who are veterans

**What:** This is an opportunity to honor our American Veterans from our CDT Community during Mass, a special service, and a reception. Volunteers are needed to help prepare for the program with decorating and food.

## **Fall Bingo Fundraiser**

**Who:** CDT parents

**What:** Fall bingo is one of our annual fundraisers that support the school. It is a fun evening, open to the community, that includes a meal, bingo games, basket raffles and other fun ways to win.

Volunteers are needed to sell tickets, solicit gift baskets and desserts, and assist in a variety of ways during the event.

**When:** A Saturday evening before Thanksgiving

## **Advent Night of Preparation**

**Who:** All members of the CDT community

**What:** Preparation night is an evening for families to reflect on how Advent is a time to prepare for Jesus' birth.

Volunteers from the Catholic Identity Committee help to plan.

# **DECEMBER**

## **Holiday Extravaganza**

**Who:** All members of the CDT community

**What:** The Holiday Extravaganza is an evening for families to enjoy fellowship and decorate the trees in the school as part of our community preparation for Advent. Volunteers are welcome to help plan.

## **Advent Penance Service**

**Who:** All students in Grades 3 and above

**What:** This service is an opportunity for students to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation as they prepare to celebrate Jesus' birth.

### **St. Nicholas Workshop**

**Who:** CDT students and parent volunteers

**What:** This workshop is a two-day event where students can shop and wrap gifts for family and friends. Parent volunteers are welcome for part or all of the event, including planning.

**Coordinator:** Christie Borelli [cconti33@yahoo.com](mailto:cconti33@yahoo.com)

### **Christmas Concert**

**Who:** CDT students in PreK-8

**What:** This concert is a performance to celebrate our community's preparation for the birth of Jesus.

### **Class Christmas Parties**

**Who:** The entire CDT community

**What:** Class parties are an opportunity to provide snacks for your child's party as outlined by your PTF representatives.

## **JANUARY**

### **Catholic Schools Week**

**Who:** The entire CDT community

**What:** Catholic Schools Week is an opportunity to celebrate and show gratitude for the blessings that our Catholic school brings us. Activities include a special Mass, a luncheon for the teachers, various spirit days for the students, and an afternoon full of fun activities planned by Student Council. Parent volunteers are needed for the teacher luncheon and on the activity day to help run the various activities.

## **Logic School Lock-In**

**Who:** Logic School students

**What:** The Lock-In is an opportunity mid-school year for the Logic School students to reflect on their growth as individuals and as a group and to take time to build their relationships with Jesus.

## **FEBRUARY**

### **Cash Bash**

**Who:** CDT parents

**What:** The cash bash puts the FUN in fundraiser! It is held at Marian Hall in Crabtree. It is CDT's largest fundraiser supporting CDT's operational budget. This event is a great opportunity to spend time with CDT parents, grandparents, and all of those who support our remarkable school! It also showcases the creativity and talent with the auction of pieces of artwork from each CDT class. Volunteers are needed to help sell tickets, find ways to advertise, plan food and beverages, be part of selling tickets and raffles that evening, set up and clean up.

**Coordinator:** Mrs. Elyse Bogner [ebogner@cdtschool.org](mailto:ebogner@cdtschool.org)

### **Classical Showcase**

**Who:** The entire CDT community

**What:** The showcase is an evening program where each grade prepares a performance piece to showcase what they are learning in their Classical Education Curriculum.

### **Logic School Dinner & Debate**

**Who:** Logic school students and their parents

**What:** The dinner and debate is an opportunity for Logic students to participate in a formal debate with the Logic School community as their audience. This is an extension of classroom debates. Along with the debate, dinner is served and help is welcome to help prepare and serve the meal.

## **Lenten Night of Preparation**

**Who:** The entire CDT community

**What:** This is a night prepared by the Catholic Identity Committee to provide families the opportunity to reflect on Lent, what it will mean to them, and how they will draw closer to Jesus during this solemn season in our Catholic Faith.

## **Class Valentine's Day Parties**

**Who:** The entire CDT community

**What:** Class parties are an opportunity to provide snacks for your child's party as outlined by your PTF representatives.

## **MARCH**

### **School Play**

**Who:** Grade 5-8 CDT students and the entire CDT community

**What:** Students in grades 5-8 put on a play production taking on the roles of actors and crew.

**Coordinator:** Mrs. Reyne Kozar [ркоzar@cdtschool.org](mailto:ркоzar@cdtschool.org)

### **Lenten Penance Service**

**Who:** Students in Grades 2 and above

**What:** This service is an opportunity for students to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation as they prepare to celebrate Jesus' Passion, Death, and Resurrection.

### **Grandparents Day**

**Who:** All CDT Students and their grandparents or special relatives

**What:** On this morning, our students to celebrate their special relationships with these people in their lives. Volunteers are needed to help things flow smoothly during the event, including preparing and serving lunch.

## **APRIL**

### **Race for Education**

**Who:** The entire CDT community

**What:** The RFE is one of the CDT's major fundraisers. Students write and send letters to friends and families requesting sponsorship. On the day of the "race," (Olympic Day) they walk/run laps over a period of one hour. Volunteers are needed in late March and throughout April to prepare mailers and then organize donations.

**Coordinator:** Mrs. Ashley Masters [lilfajt@gmail.com](mailto:lilfajt@gmail.com)

### **Holocaust Remembrance Service**

**Who:** Logic School students, parents, and invited community members

**What:** CDT students prepare a service to remember the Holocaust, honor survivors' family members, and pray for the lives lost.

## **MAY**

### **Olympic Day & Race**

**Who:** The entire CDT community

**What:** CDT students and staff walk to the Latrobe Memorial Stadium for the day to participate in field activities and complete the Race for Education. Volunteers are needed this day to help deliver items to/from the stadium, organize and distribute snacks, lead field activities, track laps, and to clean up.

### **Party in the Park**

**Who:** The entire CDT community

**What:** If the fundraising goal for the RFE is met, CDT students and staff spend the afternoon at Legion Keener Park to celebrate. Volunteers are needed to deliver items to/from the park, to chaperone, and to organize/distribute snacks.

## **Spring Concert**

**Who:** Extracurricular Music students

**What:** The Spring Concert is an opportunity for students to perform several pieces that they've prepared to showcase their many talents. The CDT community is invited to attend.

## **Awards Day**

**Who:** Students in Grades 4 to 8

**What:** Awards Day is an opportunity for teachers to award students for academic excellence as well as good citizenship throughout the year. Parents are welcome to attend.

## **JUNE**

### **School Picnic**

**Who:** The entire CDT community

**What:** The school picnic is an opportunity for fellowship and fun at Idlewild Park to celebrate the beginning of summer. Tickets will be available at a discounted price and a pavilion is available for food and fellowship.

## **JULY**

### **Summer Bingo Fundraiser**

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**What:** Summer bingo is one of the annual fundraisers that supports our school. It's a fun evening, open to the community, that includes a meal, bingo games, basket raffles and other fun ways to win. Volunteers are needed to sell tickets, solicit gift baskets and desserts, and assist in a variety of ways during the event.

**When:** A Saturday before the 4<sup>th</sup> of July

## ***Committees to Share Your Time and Talent With:***

### **Family, Staff, Community Support Committee**

This committee supports CDT families, staff and the surrounding community with cards, prayers, meals and whatever is needed to serve those in need. Most activities will be planned via email with occasional meetings being planned.

### **Catholic Identity Committee**

This committee meets monthly to champion various endeavors supporting our students and the entire community in developing a closer relationship with Jesus, living a virtuous life, and participating in the rich traditions of our Catholic Faith.

### **Logic Retreat Planning Committee**

This committee meets 3-4 times annually to plan and prepare the various retreats for the Logic School.

*“The fruit of Silence is prayer. The fruit of Prayer is faith. The fruit of Faith is love. The fruit of Love is service. The fruit of Service is peace.”*  
*- St. Teresa of Calcutta*