

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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November

Veterans Day Service
Fall Bingo Fundraiser
Advent Night of Preparation

December

Holiday Extravaganza
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Class Christmas Parties

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School Play
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Service

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Olympic Day
Party in the Park
Spring Concert
Awards Day
8th 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

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

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

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

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

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

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 3rd to 8th 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

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: 2nd 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

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

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 rkozar@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

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

Who: CDT parents

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 4th 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