SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Service. Self-Discipline. Academic Excellence.

Sacred Heart Catholic School

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School Website and Calendar

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MISSION STATMENT

In keeping with the traditions of the Presentation Sisters, every child shines with the light of the Catholic faith through service, self-discipline, and academic excellence.

UPCOMING DATES TO KNOW

September Important Dates:

- 9/23 - Diocese of Savannah Bishop Ordination and Installation. View ceremony either through:
    1. Diocese of Savannah website www.diosav.org
    2. Facebook live Diocese of Savannah www.facebook.com/diosav.org/
- 9/27 - 75th Sacred Heart Church Anniversary with new Bishop Mass

October Important Dates:

- 10/7 - Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences (please sign up for a time)
- 10/7-12 - SHCS Fall Break
- 10/26 - Fall Picture Day
- 10/30 - Halloween Classroom Parties (no volunteers allowed in the building)

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Happy Day Sacred Heart families -

Week 7 – Pray, Pray, Pray! Thank you for the prayers and please continue to pray for our school success. The success is because of the hard work the families and staff are doing to stay on top of staying well and I appreciate it. Masks, hand sanitizer, washing hands, distance and electrostatic cleaning all continue.

Living by Faith Rooted in Hope -- I know there are many new faces at our school since the last capital campaign so I want to make sure you are all aware of journey. Sacred Heart has spent many years supporting these beautiful building we get to enjoy each day. The last campaign is closing out and new and renewed financial commitments are being considered. You will get a letter in the mail explaining the campaign and a request for you to participate. All monthly and one-time commitments are greatly appreciated to pay for our new school, social hall and parish offices. The Sacred Heart community is so generous and makes it happen day after day. Thank you for your support.

SHCS Campaign Student Participation. The SH students will be praying the Living by Faith Rooted in Hope prayer (below) each day. As families, please pray this prayer each day to support God's work here at Sacred Heart. The students will also learn about giving and the importance of giving to our church to support our school mission. Each student will be doing a creative piece involving the campaign. These will include posters or essays done in the classrooms. These pieces will be displayed in the church narthex and in the school hallways.

Living by Faith Rooted in Hope

Blessed Trinity, You lead, teach and guide us. Inspire us in our campaign journey, Living by Faith and Rooted in Hope, for the future of Your parish, Sacred Heart, that You have entrusted to us.

Lord, help us grow deeper in union with our savior Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen

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In His service,
Al Chromy
Principal
Sacred Heart Catholic School

LIVING BY FAITH ROOTED IN HOPE

This past weekend, Father Stephen announced the start of our next Building Fund Capital Campaign, Living by Faith Rooted in Hope. Please discuss with your children the generosity of God and our response to give back to God in gratitude. We have much to be grateful here at Sacred Heart. This Building Fund pays the debt we incurred when our beautiful new school was built and stands as a reminder us of our legacy of providing a solid Catholic education and serving as Christian witnesses while building up the Kingdom of God in Central Georgia.

Please pray about your pledge - Commitment weekend is October 3 and 4. You can complete the pledge card and bring it to Mass or pledge online at https://www.sacredheartwr.org/pledge.

For those who attend another church, discuss giving to your church with your children. Would you consider a one-time gift to Sacred Heart's Building Fund? You can easily give online at https://www.sacredheartwr.org/BuildingFundGift.

No gift is too small, what is important is that we all participate! All donations are tax deductible.

YEAR OF FAITH

VIRTUE IS NOT SOMETHING TO KNOW, BUT TO DO.

For September all students will learn about the virtue of **FAITH: Believing in God and all He has revealed.**

The 6th through 8th Graders continue to learn about St. Augustine during the month focusing on Faith.

St. Augustine grew up with a pagan father and a christian mother, however, he was not baptized and grew up outside the faith and drifted away from God to follow worldly ideas and possessions. He struggled with believing and cried out to God to guide him, and he overheard a mysterious child say, "take and read," that St. Augustine took as a direct message. He then opened up the Bible and his heart was opened to God. He later fought against the heresies of the day and became one of the most prolific writers on the Christian faith the world has ever known. His most quoted saying of profound faith: "Our hearts were made for You, O Lord, and they are restless until they rest in You."

Virtues are good habits, and if we listen listed to Jesus, He will help us to make good choices. If we listen to Him over and over, we get used to making those good choices.

Throughout the year, our students, Pre-K through 8th grade, will work through a study of virtues to spiritually grow through understanding and action of our Christian virtues. Each month the same virtue is taught across all grade levels, but primary, elementary and middle school ages will learn about different saints regarding the virtue of the month.

For the 2020-2021 school term we have the **Year of Faith** upon us. At SHCS we focus on idea that "faith works" (Gal 5:6) and emphasize service projects. Where again, a virtue is not something to know, but to DO.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

School Picture Day
You asked and we answered!! We will be having a Sacred Heart Catholic school wide Picture Day on Monday, October 26th. This will be a normal school uniform day so you will not have to worry about wearing anything special. Please go ahead and mark your calendars!

School Spirit Mass
Our church next door, Sacred Heart Catholic Church is celebrating their 75th year and will be welcoming our new Bishop, Bishop Steven Parkes, to the Diocese with an outdoor mass (social distancing approved!) on Sunday, September 27th at 10:00am. We would love all of our school families to attend and wear your school uniform on this day. This a great way to give a warm welcome to our new Bishop! This will be out the on the south side of the church property near the Mary garden and the large oak, please bring your own chair.

School Advisory Board
The first SAB meeting was last Thursday and lasted about an hour. If you are interested in serving on the School Advisory Board, please send an email to Mr. Chromy stating your interest.

To view the September 17th meeting minutes, click here.

Fall Raffle Ticket Fundraiser
Although we are not having our annual Fall Festival this year, we will continue our fundraiser selling raffles tickets. The raffle tickets will be distributed during Fall Conferences directly to the parents. NOTE -- the date on the ticket states the raffle will be held on October 3rd but **that date is being changed to 3 December.** This will give each family two months to sell the raffle tickets or purchase them. This is our only fund raiser this fall so please contribute with time, energy and resources to make this raffle a success!

Fall Parent-Teacher Conferences
Mr. Chromy sent out an Eblast regarding Fall Conferences. The Fall Conferences will have an In-Person option and I encourage every parent to attend the Fall Conferences. We have all the wheels turning and need our families working in sync with us to make sure the best possible education is happening. This takes effort from

both the school and home working together.

Archery Information
Our Sacred Heart Catholic School's Archery Team is looking for interested individuals to become a Basic Archery Instructors (BAI). A BAI course will be offered on October 29th in Fort Valley, Ga by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. For more information, please reach our to Ms. Aler at Suzi.Aler@shswr.org or visit https://georgiawildlife.com/NASP#Training.

Amazon Smiles Rewards - We just received a check for **$75.86** from Amazon Smiles for the last quarter! Remember, it's as easy as picking Sacred Heart Catholic School Warner Robins as your charity and shop through the smile.amazon.com link - These small actions help our school in different ways throughout the year!

Community Service Requirements
At this time community service requirements are on **hold**. We understand that no one beside our students and staff are allowed to enter the building, which makes satisfying the requirements a little tricky. We would however recommend considering to help out in your community. There are plenty of opportunities around us - think about picking up trash at a local park, finding our what a local shelter may need (homeless/animal), or even volunteering at food bank or soup kitchen if open. Get creative and LIVE YOUR FAITH through these service opportunities and **BE THE LIGHT** in this time of darkness and the unknown!

SUNDAY MASS AT HOME

Each week we will continue the message heard from Sacred Heart Catholic Church's Sunday Mass here in our weekly newsletter.

The Word this week continues with Matthew 18: 21-22, where Jesus teaches us about how He wants us to live through the act of forgiving. Jesus teaches us to forgive those who have transgressed against us, not once, twice, or even seven times; but "..seventy-seven times." We must go further than simply forgiving others, but forgiving fully and completely. His hope is that we might love others as God loves us.

Take a moment to reflect on whether you have asked for forgiveness or if you have fully forgave someone recently.

AROUND THE CRUSADER HALLS

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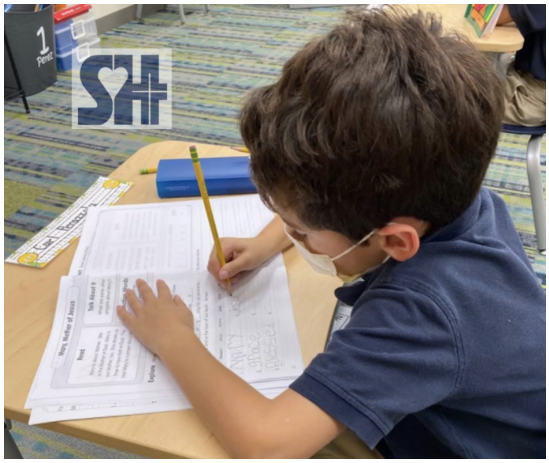
Daniel was brought out
unharmed...because he
had trusted his God.
Daniel 6:23



Home and School Association

Room Parent Volunteers
Parents of 3rd, 6th, and 7th grade students -

At this time we do not have a designated Room Parent for these classrooms. The role of a Room Parent will mainly be one of communication, support, and flexibility in assisting with the celebrations/events throughout the year, in the best way that suits each individual classroom. This year will look different than any other year. School administration will continually evaluate and provide guidance on how we can contribute to celebrations of each holiday and/or event in the best way for the students and staff. Currently, there are no combined prayer partner parties as we have had in the past.

If you have any interest in filling the role as a Room Parent for the 3rd, 6th, and 7th grades, please contact Cori Goebel directly at parent.coordinator@shswr.org with your contact information and grade/teacher. Halloween is just around the corner and I would love to have a parent(s) for each grade to begin the communications for this holiday.

Home and School Association Dues
This past week all students were sent home with the Home and School Association Dues form. The amount of $50 per student is due October 1st and SHCS collects these

funds up front to cover everything taking place during the year - rather than asking monthly for the funds to cover events throughout the year. The Room Parents will work with the HSA and the Sacred Heart Catholic School Staff to create fun, enjoyable, and memorable events throughout the year for you student(s). The $50 fee is divided up as followed:

$19 - Class Parties (Halloween, Christmas, Saint Valentine's Day)
$10 - School Wide Events (Thanksgiving Luncheon and End of Year Party)
$15 - Christmas and Birthday Gift for staff
$5 - HSA Additional Support (Teacher Appreciation, etc)
$1 - Emergency Support Fund

Please address the envelope with "Home and School Association Dues" in order for your student(s) to be marked as paid. **Any dues remaining unpaid on October 1st will be forwarded to Mrs. Quinn and you will be billed.**

To print off a copy of the Home and School Dues Form, please click here.

To view HSA Meeting Minutes from 9/15, click here.

VIRTUS - What is it?

Child sexual abuse is a worldwide public health issue. Child abuse, particularly child sexual abuse, is reprehensible—especially when the wrongdoer is affiliated with the Church/School. The VIRTUS programs assist the Church/School in being a safe haven for children and a messenger for preventing child sexual abuse within the Church/School and society in general. We seek to achieve this lofty goal through our child sexual abuse prevention program: Protecting God's Children.

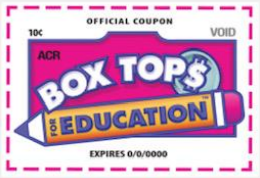
Anyone who will have contact with our students here at SHCS MUST be VIRTUS trained. That includes volunteering at any capacity within our school from classroom parties to lunch support to field trips. We take this very seriously, as we should, and will NOT allow anyone not VIRTUS trained to participate on any level. Please visit virtus.org to create your account and sign up for an online class today!

Please contact Lori Yann if you have any questions or concerns.

Due to graphic content, children are not allowed to attend

Easy ways to help the school raise money!

THE OLD
BOX TOPS CLIPS



Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production, but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store. You can still clip and send them to school.

Every valid Box Tops clip is worth 10¢ for your school. Make sure each one has a clearly visible product acronym and expiration date.

** All valid Box Tops clips submitted per the Program Rules by a Coordinator(s) of (an) eligible, enrolled school(s) will be honored.*

THE NEW
BOX TOPS LABELS

Eventually the Box Tops program will become digital-only. Participating brands are starting to change their packaging from a traditional Box Tops clip to the new Box Top label.

If you see this label, use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt. **Box Tops are still worth 10¢ each for your school.** The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online.

Keep clipping those Box Tops.. for now! Box Tops are transitioning to digital. Download Box Tops for Education App to get started. To redeem digital box tops scan your receipt within 14 days of purchase. This means real time updates and processing, saves times (no more clipping), saves money on shipment, and allows special bonus offers. For additional information parents can access BTFE.com or can email rosebargender@yahoo.com. Thanks for your support as every box top is 10 cents for the school!

Package clippings/traditional box tops can still be turned in until program fully transitions to digital.

Publix.

Publix Partners

Please sign up for a Publix.com account and designate our school as the Publix Partners recipient. You will enter your account and phone number every time that you checkout at Publix to receive credit for qualifying purchases.

Kroger

Kroger Plus Card

Kroger's Community Rewards Program. If we had every family that shops at Kroger get signed up we would get a significant check a couple times a year. Please log on to your Kroger Plus account and choose Sacred Heart School as your organization.

Flint Energies
Your Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

Operation RoundUp. Participating members allow Flint Energies to round up their electric bill to the next whole dollar. Your contribution would then be pooled with

those from other participants and distributed to worthy causes. A few cents doesn't sound like much, but if every Flint Energies member participated they could round up more than $500,000 per year. All contributions are tax deductible as well! Please Click Here to enroll today!

You shop. Amazon gives.

When you shop at smile.amazon.com, Amazon donates to your favorite charitable organization. It is another wonderful, easy way to give to SHCS. Please be sure to designate SHCS as your recipient.

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School Master Calendar

Morning Prayers
For a copy of the morning prayers please, Click Here

Daily Prayers CLICK HERE

PARISH NEWS

Sunday mass is currently available at Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

*There is no reservation required, but a maximum of 182 people will be allowed in the sanctuary with overflow sent to the Social Hall for video streaming of the service.

Please check the Sacred Heart Catholic Church Facebook page to watch a Live streaming of mass.

If you ever miss Mass and would like to hear the sermon, please click the following link.

Connect with us

Sacred Heart families, our newsletter will go out each Monday (except on weeks where there is not school on Monday, it will go out on Wednesday). This is a great tool for our Home & School Association, clubs, or any group that would like to get school related information out to our families. If you have something you would like for us to publish here in our Crusader Courier, please submit all information to us no later then 10:00 a.m. on Friday to shsengage@shswr.org.