## From the Principal's Desk



December 29, 2022



Holy Spirit School
Inspiring Minds/Igniting Hearts
2022/2023
"Joy"

## **Happy New Year!**



The Christmas break is December 21 - January 2nd.

#### A reminder that the financial contract for returning families is due by January 6, 2023.



Helping our children grow in their Catholic faith.

January 2023

Holy Spirit School



#### The Church is family

The Catholic Church is more than just a building or an organization. The Church is a family we join at Baptism and to which we belong

forever. Wherever our children go in their lives, they can always come home. Keep them close to the Church as they grow. Remind them often that every Catholic church is their home, and the parish is their family.

#### Kindness

In today's busy world, showing kindness to others can make a big impact. Remember how good it felt the last time someone showed you an unexpected kindness? Look for ways to show kindness, even when it's unexpected. You can make a difference with a simple act, like holding the door for the person behind you, taking a moment to talk to a lovely stranger, or offering up prayers for people who need them.

"Do not neglect hospitality, for through it some have unknowingly entertained angels" (Hebrews 13:2).

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**Build a Christ-centered home** 

A Christ-centered home is one in which, "Christ is the Head of this house, the unseen guest at every meal, the silent listener to every conversation." His presence is always felt. Knowing Jesus and following Him are key to living joyful, fulfilling lives in this world and being happy with Him in the next. As a family, make your top New Year's resolution to center your

home on Christ. Joy – Different than happiness, joy comes from

understanding

that our welfare lies in Jesus' hands alone. Teach children to give all their concerns to Him. No circumstance can rob us of our joy if we truly believe we belong to Christ.

Grace – Our homes must be safe places filled with love. Family members need to know that love, not perfection, is the point of the family and that mistakes aren't fatal. Children will encounter hostility, judgment, antagonism, and criticism

out in the world. A Christian home should be a place of comfort, rest, and healing.

Service – Jesus will give us everything we need. Sometimes, he uses other people to deliver His gifts. Christ-centered families place all that they have at His disposal and

pitch in with an attitude of service and selflessness.

Worship – Homes centered on Christ make Scripture, prayer, and God's will top priority. Nothing comes before Mass and Sacraments



# Why do Catholics call Jesus "Christ"?

"Christ" is not Jesus' last name. In fact, it is a title from the Greek Christos, meaning, "anointed one." It refers to an ancient Jewish tradition of anointing a new king with oil.

For Jesus, calling him, "Christ," affirms that His R

Lordship includes all of creation and points to His mission as the Savior and the promised Messiah of the Jews. By recognizing Him as "Christians affirm they're under His kingship and that they owe their final loyalty to Him.

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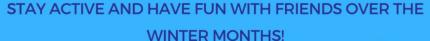
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## -Maureen Ashby

**Principal** 

Holy Spirit School PTO

**Upcoming Events:** 

February 1 — Book Fair

**PTO Meeting:** The December PTO meeting will be on January 17, 2022, at 6:30 pm. This is a great opportunity to learn about upcoming events, meet fellow parents, and to get involved. Additionally, the meeting attendance counts towards the PSSC hours. This will be a hybrid meeting with more information to come on classroom location. However, the online portion will be at the following link:

https://holyspiritflames.zoom.us/j/87077053723? pwd=SkJiMEdsWHcvKzdVZC9qN09GdlgrZz09 Meeting ID: 870 7705 3723 Passcode: 483688

**Recess Duty:** We still have many empty slots that need to be filled for recess duty. We are asking all families to sign up for a spot no later than January 31, 2023. You can sign up for recess duty through: <a href="https://app.connect1.io/volunteers/ta43kmlw3">https://app.connect1.io/volunteers/ta43kmlw3</a>.

#### Connect1:

If you need more assistance with Connect 1 you can either contact Tom Fields at <u>PTOPSSC@holyspiritflames.org</u> or visit

https://app.connect1.io/volunteers/gmgujg6pp

#### PTO Board 2022 - 2023

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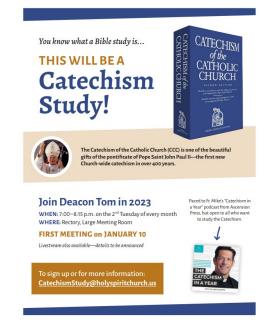
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#### Volunteering

Please remember that you must be fully compliant with the Child Protection policies of the Diocese in order to perform recess duty and to volunteer in activities where students are present.

## Parish Happenings!





## **Community Happenings!**



### **FAMILY FOLDER**

The following flyers may be found in the folder labeled "December 28, 2022" on the website. For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.

Family Folder

#### School Flyers:

- 1. Yearbook Order information flyer
- 2. PSA Winter Exercise Session flyer
- 3. Partners in Faith (January) newsletter
- 4. Diocese of Arlington Tuition Assistance Overview

#### Parish Flyers:

- 1. Parish Mass times flyer
- 2. Catechism Study flyer

#### Community Flyers: