



November 24, 2022



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

## Happy Thanksgiving



Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.



## **Congratulations!**

We had a great showing for the finals of the annual Turkey Shoot Out!

Congratulations to Josie R and Dunny B for their combined effort in order to "bring home the trophy" this year!



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## **Academic Year 2023/2024**

Registration of our current families will begin in early December.

Families who have children who are ready to become Holy Spirit Flames, especially in either prekindergarten or kindergarten, be sure to contact Mrs. Laclede now so that we have their names. The online application for new students is open and accessible via the school website.

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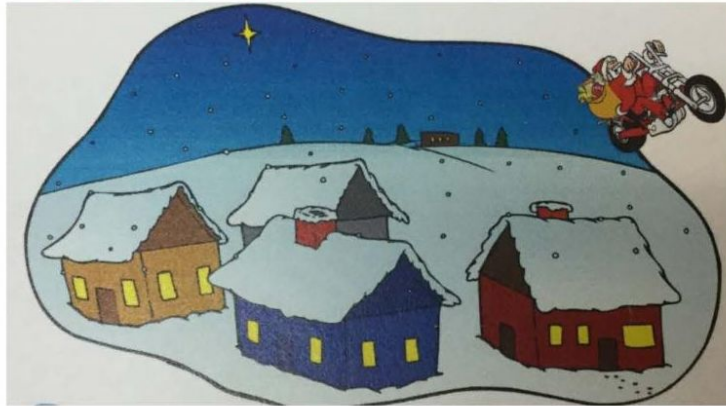
## **SANTA'S RIDE!!!**

**Our goal is 500 new toys.**

# Annual Holy Spirit School Toy Drive

## SANTA'S RIDE

*Help Bring Holiday Cheer to Sick Children*



Monday, November 28th - Friday, December 2nd



Make a difference in the lives of the many sick children who are unable to return home for the holidays.

The Fairfax County Police Department motorcycle squad is collaborating with the Fairfax County Sheriff's Office and others to collect and distribute toys to children at Fairfax Hospital and Georgetown Lombardi Cancer Center.

Please donate a new, unwrapped toy, game, or book.

Thank you for your generosity.

**Please join us for our annual Giving Mass on Friday, December 2nd. Members of the Fairfax County Motorcycle Squad will be here to receive the toys from the children.**

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# NJHS DRESS DOWN DAY

DECEMBER 9th

ALL FUNDS GO TO:

CATHOLIC CHARITIES WE CARE WEEK

ALL OUTFITS MUST BE SCHOOL APPROPRIATE

BRING \$1 TO DRESS UP AS:

PRE-K THROUGH 2ND

GINGERBREAD BOYS & GIRLS

3RD THROUGH 5TH

SNOW BOYS & GIRLS

MIDDLE SCHOOL

ORNAMENTS



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*-Maureen Ashby*

**Principal**

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# Holy Spirit School PTO



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## **Upcoming Events:**

November 27 – Christmas Tree Sales!

**PTO Meeting:** The next PTO meeting will be on December 20, 2022, at 6:30 pm. This will be an online meeting only. 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. Please join us at the following link:

[https://holyspiritflames.zoom.us/j/87077053723?](https://holyspiritflames.zoom.us/j/87077053723?pwd=SkJiMEdsWHcvKzdVZC9qN09GdlgrZz09)

[pwd=SkJiMEdsWHcvKzdVZC9qN09GdlgrZz09](https://holyspiritflames.zoom.us/j/87077053723?pwd=SkJiMEdsWHcvKzdVZC9qN09GdlgrZz09)

Meeting ID: 870 7705 3723

Passcode: 483688

**Recess Duty:** Sign up for recess duty opportunities is now available through:

<https://app.connect1.io/volunteers/ta43kmlw3>.

## **Connect1:**

If you need more assistance with Connect 1 you can either contact Tom Fields at

PTOPSSC@holyspiritflames.org or visit <https://app.connect1.io/volunteers/gmgujg6pp>

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**Christmas  
Trees  
For Sale**



November 27 – December 17

MON – FRI: 5:30PM – 8:30PM

SAT – SUN: 9AM – 8PM

Located at Holy Spirit Church by the Braddock Road entrance

PLEASE CASH OR CHECK ONLY



Holy Spirit  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

PTO

**WHILE STOCKS LAST**

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**The PTO Christmas Tree sale is right around the corner!  
Check out Connect 1 for volunteer opportunities!**

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SECOND ANNUAL



*Gingerbread House  
Decorating Party*



SATURDAY, DEC 10TH, 4:30-6:30PM

HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL

CAFETERIA



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Join us for some holiday cheer and  
decorating fun!

Gingerbread house and icing  
will be provided

Bring candy decorations to share  
(candy canes, peppermints, gumdrops, ect)

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Light refreshments will be  
served

Please RSVP by Thursday,  
December 8th  
[ptocrafts@holyspiritflames.org](mailto:ptocrafts@holyspiritflames.org)

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# Santa's Secret Shop

IS COMING SOON!

Get that special gift for  
everyone on your list!

Dates: December 8th and 9th



Santa Boutique  
Schedule

Connect 1 Volunteer  
Link

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## PTO Board 2022 - 2023

President - Christine Ploschke - [PTOPresident@holyspiritflames.org](mailto:PTOPresident@holyspiritflames.org)

Vice President - Trevor Lowing - [PTOVVP@holyspiritflames.org](mailto:PTOVVP@holyspiritflames.org)

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Homeroom Parent Coordinator - Valerie Overstreet - [PTOHomeroomCoordinator@holyspiritflames.org](mailto:PTOHomeroomCoordinator@holyspiritflames.org)

## 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!



**High School Youth Ministry** 

## Christmas Coat Drive!

Will run until December 4<sup>th</sup>!

Drop off is inside the Church in the Coat Drive bins, or in the School right outside the Youth Room's Doors!

**Items Needed:**

- Gloves
- Winter Jackets
- Sweaters
- Wool Hats
- Hooded Sweatshirts
- Scarves

Questions? Please contact, the Youth Minister, Ronan Lahiff  
([youthministry@holyspiritchurch.us](mailto:youthministry@holyspiritchurch.us))



### Knights of Columbus Holy Spirit Council 11922

Business/Social Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the Month 8PM  
Planning Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the Month 8PM  
Rosary before meetings start time 7:40PM  
Holy Spirit School Quinn Room



Keep Christ in Christmas  
Christmas Cards  
go on SALE after weekend  
Masses  
NOVEMBER  
12-13, 19-20, 26-27



Cards that express the meaning of the Season!

Exemplification of Charity,  
Unity, and Fraternity

Attention: New E-Knights, 1<sup>st</sup>  
and 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Knights  
November 15, 2022  
Candidates, Please Arrive at the  
Church between 7:30-7:40PM  
Family Members Welcome

#### Knights Checklist

- ✓ Catholic Gentlemen
  - ✓ 18 years old or older
  - ✓ Practicing Catholic
- Not a Knight? Why NOT?



Join Us, Today!  
use QR code  
Or  
[KofC.org/joinus](https://kofc.org/joinus)

For more information on the council, contact GK Tom at [knights@holyspiritchurch.us](mailto:knights@holyspiritchurch.us)

# Community Happenings!

## Interested in playing Girl's High School Ice Hockey?

Bishop O'Connell High School is starting a Girl's Ice Hockey team next year. Are you in 8th grade, currently playing ice hockey, and interested in playing High School Ice Hockey? Join us to learn more and play in an exhibition hockey game!

Sunday, Nov. 27 from 10:30 am to 1 pm  
at the St. James Sports Complex

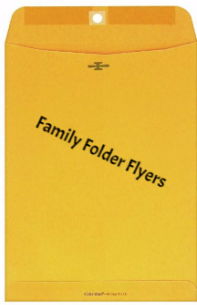


For more information, please fill out this player interest form, and O'Connell Ice Hockey will be in touch.  
<https://forms.gle/UyUxjgkixZgma9C7>





# FAMILY FOLDER



The following flyers may be found in the folder labeled "November 24, 2022" on the website. For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.

Family  
Folder

## School Flyers:

1. Santa's Ride Toy Drive flyer
2. NJHS Christmas Dress Down Day flyer
3. Santa Boutique flyer
4. PTO Christmas Tree Sale flyer
5. PTO Gingerbread House Decorating flyer
6. Partners in Faith (November) newsletter
7. Diocese of Arlington Tuition Assistance Overview

## Parish Flyers:

1. Knights of Columbus Christmas Card Sale flyer
2. Coat Drive flyer

## Community Flyers:

1. O'Connell HS 8th Grade Girls Hockey clinic flyer