

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL Principal's Newscast December 2023

Dear GSCS Families and Friends,

I pray everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving, surrounded by family and friends who bring love and joy to your lives! This past week we were blessed to have Bishop Noonan celebrate our School Mass with us. He also came to first grade and read a book called, Listen Silent Night, preparing the students for the Season of Advent and the coming of our Savior.

This weekend we begin the Season of Advent, a time to prepare ourselves for the coming of our Savior. It will be important to slow down from the everyday hustle and bustle of the season and look for practical ways to observe the season and share our deepest gifts: hope and faith, peace, love, and joy. This Sunday, we also welcome you to attend Father Andrews Installation Mass at 10:45am. Bishop Noonan will be here for the Installation and to celebrate Mass.

Our HSA Christmas Shop will return December 11-13. We will have a pop -up shop Sunday, December 10th after all Masses. Volunteers for the Christmas Shop need to be Diocesan fingerprint cleared. If you would like to volunteer to help at the Christmas Shop, please sign up at: https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/9040C4DAFA72BA6F85-46208321-christmas All proceeds from the Christmas Shop benefit our staff for Teacher Appreciation Week.

Our 4th Graders will present a small Christmas Program on Friday, December 15th at 10am in the Family Center. All parents are welcome to attend.

Are you already planning for the 2024-2025 Academic Year? Look for more information in the upcoming Principal Newscasts. We will be having two Open Houses during Catholic Schools Week at the end of January for family, friends or neighbors that are considering a Catholic education at GSCS and would

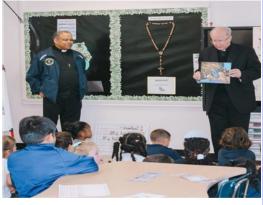
like to tour our wonderful school. Spread the word, we have openings in all grade levels and scholarships are available!

As we bring the 2023 year to an end, I want to say a heartfelt "Thank You" to our Parents, Faculty & Staff, Parish, Diocesan Office of Schools, and our GSCS Advisory School Board. It is through the efforts of our partnerships that we continue to focus on the faith and academic achievements of our students at GSCS. I am blessed to serve as your Principal and I look forward all the blessings ahead for our wonderful school in the New Year.

The Faculty and Staff of Good Shepherd Catholic School would like to wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Praying all are healthy and safe through the holidays. Blessings,

Melissa Rangel, Principal





GSCS Mission

With Christ as the ever-present teacher, Good Shepherd Catholic School is committed to provide academic excellence, Catholic values, and a faithfilled community to its students.

Calendar Of Events

- 12/1 Parish Christmas Story Concert
- 12/8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation
 12/10 Envilue
- 12/10 Family Mass 10:45am
- 12/12 Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe
- 12/11-13 HSA Christmas Shop
- 12/13 Penance Service after School Mass Grades 3-8
- 12/14 7th & 8th Grade field trip to Orlando Shakes
- 12/15 Dress Down Day
- 12/15 4th Grade Christmas Program 10am
 12/19 1/2 Christen
- 12/18-1/2 Christmas Break
- 12/18-12/21 ELC Open
- 12/22-1/1 ELC Closed
- 1/2 ELC Resumes
- 1/3 Classes Resume

GOOD SHEPHERD CHRISTMAS SHOP

Students can shop for loved ones during assigned class times in the Media Center.



Shopping envelopes will be sent home.



List the names of people that your child will shop for and how much can be spent.



Return envelope to you child's homeroom.



Students can select from a variety of goods ranging from \$1-\$15, which can be wrapped at the end of their visit.

> december 11-13

DURING SCHOOL HOURS

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT OUR TEACHERS!



We will be selling Christmas items after every mass. ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT OUR TEACHERS!





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Consider growing with our RAMS Athletic Program. Below is some basic information on what's to come.



Practice Day: Fridays 3:30-5:30

Meet Day Volunteers Needed

Practices begin Friday, 1/5
 Meets: 1/13, 1/20, 2/3

\$80 Fee
Coaches needed

Registration open now till – Jan 5

Click here or Scan QR code to register

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Middle School 6th-8th Grade Boys 5 Girls



Volleyball Tryouts

Girls – Mon, 12/4 4:30-6:00 Boys – Tues, 12/5 5:00-6:30 Registration Open now till 12/15











We want everyone to have the chance to participate in GSCS Athletics. Financial Assistance may be available. Please contact your AD for additional information. Scholarship Funds are limited. Malvarez@goodshepherd.org

DRESS DOWN DAYS! SPIRIT DAYS! GAME DAYS!

Help support our Athletic Program by purchasing one of our Magnets or Spirit Shirts!



Spirit Shirt Order Form

Student Name(s):	<u></u>				,					-01	
Select Size & Quantity: SOCCER SHIRT											
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Payment Method:Check*Cash*FACTS Account											
Date of Payment: FACTS Authorization Signature:											
*If Paying By Check - Please Make Payable to Good Shepherd Catholic School (Note: Athletic Dept Spirit Shirt) and staple to this form. *If Paying By Cash - Please staple in an enclosed envelope to this form and hand in at school front office to obtain a receipt											



GSCS Rams Athletics Sponsorship Banners



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WHAT'S INCLUDED:

\$500

4' x 6' Banner to display along carline fence for the 2023-2024 school year, 2 Spirit Shirts, Rams Tote Bag, Fan Pom Poms, Rams Car Magnet, \$50 Retail/Restaurant Gift Card, Sponsor Logo/Link on GSCS website

\$350 WHATS INCLUDED:

2.5' x 4' Banner to display along carline fence for the 2023-2024 school year, 2 Spirit Shirts, Fan Pom Poms, Rams Car Magnet, \$20 Restaurant Gift Card, Sponsor Logo/Link on GSCS website

GOLD LEVEL

\$250 WHAT'S INCLUDED:

SILVER LEVEL

2.5' x 4' Banner to display along carline fence for the 2023-2024 school year, 1 Spirit Shirt, Fan Pom Poms, \$15 Restaurant Gift Card, Sponsor Logo/Link on GSCS website

\$150 WHAT'S INCLUDED:

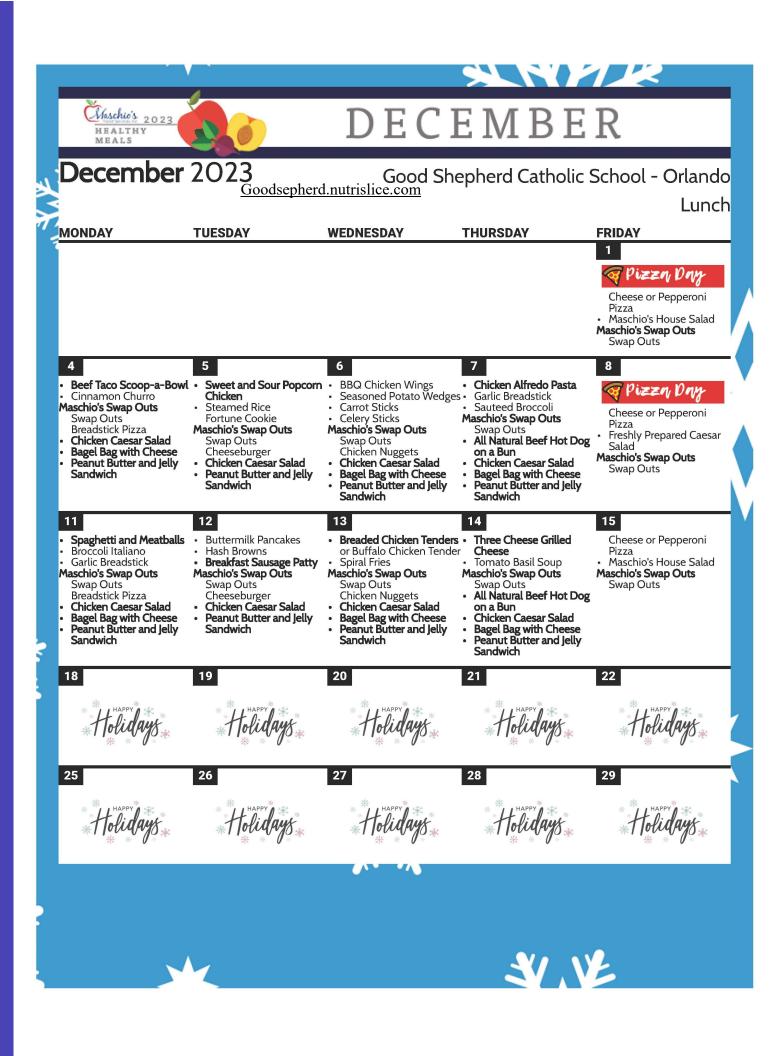
BRONZE LEVEL

2' x 3' Banner to display along carline fence for the 2023-2024 school year, Fan Pom Poms, Sponsor Logo/Link on GSCS website

Contact Name	Phone #	Email
Company Name or Gradua	ate	
Select Design Option: I will em	ail my own ready made design OR .	I will provide logo and info to you
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Thank You So Much For Your Contribution and support to GSCS Athletics!

















Family Formation Prep Nights December 6 & 13 6:15pm In the Family Center



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Sunday - 3:00pm - 4:45pm December 3, 10 & 17





Life Teen Youth Ministry <u>meetings</u> start with the 5:00 p.m. **Life Teen Mass**

LIFE TEEN SUMMER 2024 CAMP COVECREST & HIDDEN LAKE



8th-12th grade July 28-Aug 3



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5th-7th grade May 26-June 1

Grow in faith through Adoration, Confession, Mass, and dynamic sessions from nationally recognized speakers! Encounter Christ in a new way this summer!

Low/high ropes, messy games, bonfire & much more,,,,

Cost: \$900 includes transportation, meals, lodging,all activities. (Payment plan available) Deposit \$100

407-277-3939 ext:211

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SUNDAY DEC. 3RD DEC. 3RD 12:00 P.M. WE WILL HAVE AN HOUR OF ADORATION FOR VOCATIONS.





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25 HOURS OF ADORATION FOR THE ADVENT SEASON

Friday

December 15th Opening after 9:00am Mass

Saturday December 16th

Benediction 8:45am F<mark>oll</mark>owed by 9:00am Morning Mass with Novena

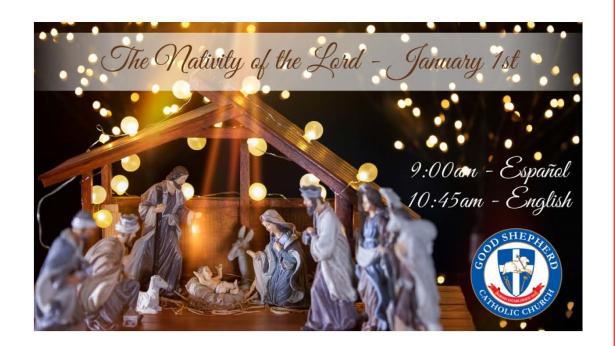






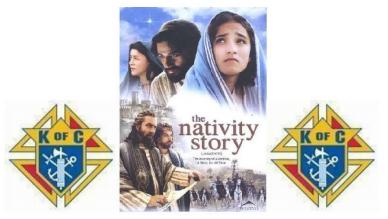


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The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, December 25th & 26th thru Monday, January 1, 2024 in Observance of Christmas & New Year.



Youth /Family Catholic Christian Movie Night "The Nativity Story" (PG)

WHEN: Friday, December 15, 2023
TIME: 7:00 pm
WHERE: Knights of Columbus Hall located at 5727 Cornelia Ave. Orlando, Fl,

Movie Summary: In the days when Herod was king of Judea, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth in Galilee to announce to a virgin named Mary, who was betrothed to a man named Joseph, that a child would be born to her and she was to name him Jesus, for he would be the son of God and rule over Israel forever.

TREAT: Free cake/beverages will be served after the movie.

FOR FURTHER INFO CONTACT: Tony Pagan Jr.-

Knight's Community/Life Director @ 407-325-0027/

apaganjryouthdirector@gmail.com (Please text or e-mail that you will be attending and how many will be attending from your family.



Knights of Columbus Council #2112 Spelling Bee

WHEN: Friday, December 16, 2023

WHERE: Knights of Columbus Hall-Located at 5727 Cornelia Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32807

TIME: 10am-12pm for grades 5-10.

PRE-REGISTER DEADLINE: November 30, 2023

CONTACT TO PRE-REGISTER: Tony Pagan- Knight's Youth Director at: (Leave a text or e-mail at 407-325-0027

apaganjrapdwscoordinator@yahoo.com with <u>the</u> student's name, grade, parent phone, school. Parents will be e-mailed practice spelling word list.)



DO YOU BELIEVE IN MIRACLES? ~ SEEING IS BELIEVING ~ WEDNESDAY JANUARY 10TH 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM

Sponsored by: Knights of Columus Council 2112 5727 Cornelia Ave Orlando, FI32807



Can miracles stand up to the test of science?

- Exclusive film footage of a stigmatist who bleeds from her hands, feet, and head. Are these the wounds of Christ? What does science have to say?
- A consecrated Communion Host becomes living flesh and blood. Is it heart tissue? What does science have to say?
- A scientist (former atheist), an attorney and a famous TV Journalist witness statue of Jesus weeping real tears and shedding real blood. Are these claims true? What does science have to say?

Presented by renowned Catholic speaker, Tim Francis

"Put it this way-this is either the biggest hoax of the 20th Century, in which case it would have to be a fairly huge conspiracy, or the most important moment of the century, if not the whole millennium."

Alastair Thompson New Zealand journalist

> Wednesday, January 10th 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm Location: St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church 5300 Old Howell Branch Rd, Winter Park, FL 32792

Thursday, January 11th 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm Location: Good Shepherd Catholic Church 5900 Oleander Dr. Orlando, FL 32807

For detailed information go to www.ScienceTestsFaith.com/Orlando

Same presentation each night- choose one