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## CALENDAR REMINDERS

**DEC 5**  
**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**DEC 8**  
**8:20AM FEAST OF THE**  
**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
**MASS**

**DEC 6 - 9**  
**8TH GRADE BLANCHET HOUSE**  
**CARE KITS COLLECTION**

**DEC 9**  
**ZOOM CASE TRAINING - 6:30PM**

**DEC 10**  
**8:20AM MASS BY 7TH GRADE**

**DEC 12**  
**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**DEC 17**  
**8:20AM MASS BY 6TH GRADE**  
**10:30AM CHRISTMAS PARTIES**  
**11:30AM DISMISSAL**  
**NO EXTENDED CARE**

**DEC 20 - 31**  
**CHRISTMAS VACATION**

## THANK YOU + BLESSED ADVENT

Dear Cathedral Community,

The holidays are upon us and we are helping the students to prepare for the celebration of the birth of Jesus through special Advent activities and prayer.

We invite you all to join us for mass next Wednesday at 8:20am for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Our student choir will be singing as well! Additionally, we have listed the Christmas services at St. Mary's Cathedral and look forward to coming together as a community.

Our Faith in Action service projects this month feature Eighth Grade and Kindergarten and we thank you for your support in helping those in need.

I would also like to extend one final thank you to everyone who donated to Celebrate Cathedral and were able to help get a company match. Company matches were at an all-time high this year (over \$19,000 and counting), close to 17% of the total dollars raised. We are still waiting for a few donations to come in but we are currently at \$100,075! Your support means the world to us.

Additionally, a special thank you to those who attended the Breakside Brewery Give Back Night on Monday. Breakside generously donated 25% of participating sales for a total of \$578! Thank you to Jen and Scott Lawrence (Cathedral Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten parents), owners of Breakside Brewery!

We look forward to celebrating the birth of Jesus and hope to see you at one of the Christmas masses at St. Mary's Cathedral.

Thank you & God bless,

*Amy Biggs, Principal*

## Accepting Applications for 2022 - 2023

We are accepting **applications for the 2022-2023 school year**. Be sure to let your friends, family, and colleagues know that now is the time to submit applications for all grades. Applications can be found on our home page [here](#).

Additionally, **all siblings of current students who will be entering Cathedral School next year must submit an application**. Please take a moment to fill out the online application to ensure their spot for next year.



## FACTS Tuition Assistance

**FACTS tuition assistance applications** are now open for the 2022-2023 School year. Applications must be received by January 31st if you would like to be considered for Cathedral School tuition assistance for the 2022-2023 school year. To qualify for tuition assistance you must be Catholic and an active member of St. Mary's Cathedral. [Apply here!](#)



Welcome



## Faith in Action: December Service Projects

Join the **8th graders in supporting the Blanchet House** this Christmas season. From December 6 - 9th, our 8th grade class is collecting items to create care kits for those in need.

Each grade is asked to bring in a different item:

- 8th grade - Gallon Plastic Bags
- 7th grade - New and large adult socks
- 6th grade - Wrapped snacks
- 5th grade - Band-aids
- 4th grade - Deodorant
- 3rd grade - Travel size lotion
- 2nd grade - Wet wipes
- 1st grade - Lip balm
- Kindergarten - Wrapped snacks
- Pre-Kindergarten - Neosporin or antibiotic ointment

Look for further details today from your teachers on how you can help!

Additionally, our Kindergarteners are making holiday gift bags for children at the Mother and Child Education Center.

Thank you to all for supporting those in need during the holiday season.

### HOW-TO MAKE A CARE KIT

Fill a gallon-size bag containing travel or trial-sized of some or all of the following:

- 1. PLASTIC BAG**  
Plastic keeps items dry and are reusable.
- 2. HYGIENE ITEMS**  
All medicine or pills, Not loose loose containers.
  - Band-aids (big ones to cover blisters)
  - Deodorant
  - Lip balm
  - Lotion
  - Wet wipes or bath wipes
  - Nail clippers
  - Cotton swabs
  - Neosporin or antibiotic ointment
- 3. T-SHIRT OR SOCKS**  
New and large sizes most needed.
- 4. WRAPPED SNACK**
  - Protein or granola bars
  - Gum, mints or candy
  - Packaged butter crackers

Please do not include any written materials.

Thank you for helping our community. Blanchet House members are here to help you with your kits during our meal services.  
Questions? [BlanchetHouse.org/Care-Kits](#)

**HOW TO DROP OFF CARE KITS**  
DMS Mon - Sat  
HOURS: 8:30-10:30 a.m. or 1:30-4 p.m. (Please leave shopping off during meal times.)  
WHERE: 212 Mt. Green St. Park out Front. Knock on door and we will come out to your car to get the bags.

THANK YOU!

## Honored Cougars

Students are given "Honored Cougar" tickets throughout the school day from teachers and staff for showing positive behavior. Each Friday, the tickets get entered into a drawing for special recognition. Additionally this week we had our end of the month token dump and our "Golden" awards were given out to classes for being responsible on the playground, at mass, quiet in the halls, and safe in car line having the lowest number of absences and the class with the lowest number of overdue library books.



**Congratulations to our Honored Cougars this week!**

Patrick in PK, Beckham in K, Wells in 1st, Lincoln in 2nd, Olivia M. in 3rd, Piper D. in 4th, Rachel in 5th, Jack P. in 6th, Peter Mark in 7th and Sawyer in 8th grade.

## St. Mary's Cathedral Virtual Giving Tree & Christmas Services

St. Mary's Cathedral is hosting a **Virtual Advent Giving tree!** Your donations will help Kenton Women's Village (part of Catholic Charities); Rose Haven, Portland Public Schools Teen Parent Program and Harbor of Hope. Donations can be made via WeShare -Advent Giving Tree or a check written to St. Mary's Cathedral with Advent Giving Tree in the memo. Donations are due by December 10th, 2021.



Thank you for your generosity and support!

Additionally, please join us at St. Mary's Cathedral for Christmas services!

- Christmas Eve (Friday): 5PM
- Christmas Day (Saturday): Midnight (carols at 11PM), 7:30AM, 9AM and 11AM
- Sunday, December 26: 7:30AM, 9AM and 11AM

## Hot Lunch Back in January

We are excited to announce that we will be bringing back **hot lunch in January every Friday beginning January 7th!** The menu will alternate from Bellagios pizza, Old Spaghetti Factory, Pepinos's, and more! Orders must be placed by midnight the Thursday, one week prior. For example, January 7th orders must be placed by midnight December 30th.



Go to [www.boonli.com](http://www.boonli.com) to place your order. To register, go to the website and click on "register." The password is **cathedral1379**. You will then add an account, profile(s) information and sign in. To begin ordering click on the calendar date. For returning parents, sign in with your username and password, choose student that needs location, add their grade for the new school year & click "update profile". If a student has graduated, select their name & click "remove profile." Once all profiles are updated you can begin placing orders.

## Wreath Sale Pick up today

Thank you to the Parent Association for their hard work on the **wreath sale!** Today is the last day to pick up your items in the undercover area until 5:30PM.

