

# CATHEDRAL NEWS

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## CALENDAR REMINDERS

**NOV 21**  
**HOT LUNCH - SUBWAY**

**NOV 23**  
**11:30AM DISMISSAL**  
**NO P.M. EXTENDED CARE**

**NOV 24 - 25**  
**THANKSGIVING VACATION**

**NOV 28**  
**HOT LUNCH - CHA CHA CHA**

**NOV 28 - DEC 7**  
**8TH GRADE FAITH IN ACTION**  
**SERVICE PROJECT: CARE KITS FOR**  
**BLANCHET HOUSE**

**NOV 30**  
**TOKEN GOAL FREE DRESS**

**DEC 2**  
**8:30AM MASS, 8TH GRADE**  
**11:30AM DISMISSAL**  
**STAFF LUNCH, 7TH GRADE**

## GRADITUDE + HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Dear Cathedral Community,

Thank you to our Second and Eighth grade students for leading us in our family mass on Sunday as well as our choir who did a beautiful job singing! It was so wonderful to see so many of our families at mass.

I would also like to thank all those who donated to the Fourth and Fifth grade Food Drive benefiting Lyft Up Portland! Look for more information on page 3 of the newsletter on the December Faith in Action project lead by Eighth grade.

Finally, I was so proud of our Student Ambassadors for their hard work on our Veterans Day assembly and their leadership giving tours during our Open House. They are a wonderful example for our younger students!

As we look forward to Thanksgiving, we are incredibly thankful for our Cathedral community and beyond blessed for our teachers, staff, students and parents. We pray that our Cathedral community has a safe and healthy Thanksgiving and we look forward to a blessed holiday season.

Thank you & God bless,

*Amy Biggs, Principal*

## Accepting Applications for 2023-2024

We are **accepting applications for the 2023-2024** 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.



## Tuition Assistance

The application process for tuition assistance **will begin on December 1st for the 2023-2024 school year**. Applications must be submitted by February 1, 2023.

Apply online via **FACTS**. In order to qualify for tuition assistance, applicants must be Catholic and an active member of St. Mary's Cathedral parish or another parish.

Welcome Grant & Aid Applicant



## Faith-in-Action: Canned Food Drive

Fourth and Fifth grade classes hosted a canned food drive for Lift Urban Portland from November 14th - 18th. Lift Urban Portland collects food for families and people in need of a meal during the holiday season. The canned food drive was a part of their Faith in Action service project this month. Thank you to all who donated!



## Catholic Identity: Reconciliation

Last week our second graders celebrated their first reconciliation. The sacrament of Reconciliation is a sacrament in which the priest, as the agent of God, forgives sins committed after Baptism, when the sinner is heartily sorry for them, sincerely confesses them, and is willing to make satisfaction for them.

Congratulations second grade!



## Veterans Day Celebration

In celebration of Veterans Day our middle school student ambassadors put on an all-school assembly. Our boy scouts presented the colors and lead the school in the pledge of allegiance. Some of the members of our choir sang the star spangled banner and students listened to presentations about the different branches of our military.

Thank you student ambassadors!



## Faith-in-Action: Care Kits for Blanchet House

Join the Eighth graders in supporting the Blanchet House this Christmas season. The Blanchet House is a non-profit social services organization located in downtown Portland that provides food, clothing, and housing programs to people in need.



The **Eighth graders will be making Care Kits** for those in need and they need your help! Care Kits are designed to contain a few essential items that can greatly help someone without shelter during the different seasons.

We ask that each student bring in the item as stated below:

- Pre-Kindergarten - 1x three pack of large adult socks
- Kindergarten - Sack Project
- 1st grade - 3 bars of individually wrapped regular sized soaps
- 2nd grade - 2 boxes of granola bars
- 3rd grade - 3 travel size lotions each
- 4th grade - 3 packs of travel size wet wipes (approx. 30 count per pkg)
- 5th grade - 2 travel size 30 count cotton swabs
- 6th grade - 3 lips balms each
- 7th grade - 1 box of medium or large band aids
- 8th grade - 2 rain poncho's each

**Donations can be delivered to the classrooms November 28 - December 7th.**

Care Kits will be assembled on Wednesday, December 14 and delivered to Blanchet House.

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## 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.

### **Congratulations to our Honored Cougars last week!**

Lucca in PK, Charlotte in K, Kate in 1st, Jack A. 2nd, Annie in 3rd, Scout in 4th, Parker in 5th, Luke in 6th, Gabe in 7th and Winston in 8th grade.

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

Madeleine in PK, Maggie in K, Charlie in 1st, Brooks in 2nd, Jack L. in 3rd, Breton in 4th, Addison in 5th, Elliott (not pictured) in 6th, Brendan in 7th and Paige in 8th grade.

