



Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

Family Guide



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PARISH & SCHOOL

Catholic Schools Week

JANUARY 26 - 31, 2025

MONDAY

WEAR UNITY SHIRTS & JEANS/JOGGERS

Enjoy a Shout Hosanna Program in the morning and Movie Monday in the afternoon!

TUESDAY

DRESS LIKE YOUR FAVORITE ANIMAL!

Enjoy an exciting hands on show with Miss Kim's Amazing Animals.

WEDNESDAY

DRESS UP DAY!

Dress your best for Mass, then enjoy the all-school brunch & a service project afterwards!

THURSDAY

DECADES DAY

Dress like the Decades and enjoy a Dance Off in the Gym! We will also play a rousing game of Name that Tune over the PA system!

FRIDAY

FLANNEL FRIDAY

Wear your favorite flannel (this includes your flannel PJs!) and get ready for some all school relay races in the gym!

All the important details are in this guide!

Pack the Church & Open House

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26 FROM 9:00AM TO 12:00PM

Join us at the 9:00am Mass for Pack the Church!

Mass on this day will have lots of wonderful things about school woven into it. We will have student lectors & gift bearers. The Children's Choir will also be performing!

Afterwards, please join us for our Open House, which will run from 10am to 12pm.

Visit your child's homeroom first and check out everything they've been up to! Then, join in our Scavenger Hunt activity by visiting other classrooms around the school!

Also check out our Door Decorations! Teachers have decorated their doors with Catholic Schools Week in mind. Our school-year theme is "Small School, Big Faith" and we want you to see that everywhere!

Say hello to families new and old, visit with staff and friends, and enjoy a Sunday showcasing our school!

Consider inviting a friend or neighbor to come check out our school! We will be offering tours all morning long. Open House is designed for both current families AND new families and we would love to have a packed house!



Daily Dress Down Days & Activities

MONDAY, JANUARY 27

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SHOUT HOSANNA & MOVIE MONDAY

In the morning, we will have our special Shout Hosanna program with Mr. Zelinka. In the afternoon, students will watch a movie with their wing!

Special Dress Day: Unity Shirts & Jeans or Joggers

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28

CARE FOR ALL GOD'S CREATURES

MISS KIM'S AMAZING ANIMALS PROGRAM

Students will get a special hands on experience with Miss Kim's Amazing Animals! Permission slips will be going home to allow for children to be able to touch and hold some of the animals. Miss Kim is safeguarded and fully insured & licensed.

Special Dress Day: Dress Like Your Favorite Animal! Students may wear a headband, fun t-shirt, or the colors of their favorite animal.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29

UNITED IN FAITH

All School Mass planned by the CSW Committee. Join us at our 8:00am School Mass to again celebrate our wonderful Catholic School! Students from all grades will be participating.

After Mass our students & teachers will retire to the Community Room for some fellowship and a service project. This event is for students & teachers only.

Special Dress Day: DRESS UP for Church! Dress in your Sunday best; no jeans. Students may also wear their Mass polos/uniform on this day if they prefer.

Daily Dress Down Days & Activities

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30

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DECADES DAY & DANCE OFF - GYM

Dance through the decades! Students will have the chance to hangout and show off their Decades dress. Staff will lead popular dances like the Electric Slide, the Chicken Dance, the Macarena, and more.

NAME THAT TUNE!

"At this time we will take caller number....!" Just like on the radio shows of yore! Can your student name that tune from the various decades? We will be playing Name that Tune over the PA system for prizes!

Special Dress Day: Dress like the Decades! Students can wear outfits inspired by any of the decades from the 1950s to the 1990s.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

UNITED IN FAITH & COMMUNITY

ALL SCHOOL RELAY RACES

The whole school will be playing some rousing rounds of relay races! Every student will be split up into mixed grade teams so that all can participate, and we will do a series of relay races in the gym. Staff & Leadership will also participate!

Special Dress Day: Flannel Friday! Get out those flannel shirts, flannel PJ pants, whatever flannel you've got!

11:30am Dismissal; Enjoy the Weekend!



Other Activities & Notes

GUESSING JARS

We will again be doing Guessing Jars this year, which are filled by teachers & staff. Each student will receive 3 tickets to make 3 guesses. Office staff will count and distribute to the winners on Friday, January 31.

DROP EVERYTHING AND READ - DAILY!

We will have one Drop Everything and Read session each day of Catholic Schools Week. Students will “travel with a book” and when they hear the announcement over the PA system, drop everything and read!

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Teachers have a lot of fun & faith-based activities built into Catholic Schools Week as well, and we are excited to celebrate with your students! Some of these are:

- No Homework Day
- Spend some time at Eucharistic Adoration
- Praying the rosary together
- Spend some time extra time praying in the church or lighting a candle for some loved ones
- Having Buddy Board Game sessions or doing other crafts or activities with their buddy class!