

# WEEKLY UPDATE

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#### Volume 4, Issue 17

**Important News & Notes:** 

#### November 20, 2020



Be a Light for All to See Matthew 5:16

#### A Prayer for Thanksgiving



**Calendar Change:** As stated in the letter that all families received Wednesday from Chancellor Sellinger and Superintendent Hargens, in order to mitigate risks associated with gatherings over the Thanksgiving holiday, virtual learning will continue through Wednesday, December 2, 2020, for Pre-K4 through Grade 8. Students will return to in-person learning on Thursday, December 3.

**Progress Reports for the 1st Trimester** will be sent home via email on Friday, December 4th.

**Virtual Apopka Toy Drive:** As a reminder, our 37th annual Apopka Toy Drive began on Monday, November 9th, and will conclude on Friday, December 4th. Due to COVID restrictions, we cannot collect toys and other items within the school building this year; however, we would still like to



December 4th. Due to COVID restrictions, we cannot collect toys and other items within the school building this year; however, we would still like to continue our commitment to the Hope CommUnity Center in Apopka, Florida, by collecting a monetary contribution from each family. Any amount you can give will be greatly appreciated. We will combine all contributions into one check to send to the sisters in Florida. **Please send your cash or check (made payable to MSCS) into school on Thursday, December 3rd,** in an envelope marked to the attention of Mrs. Kathie Sullivan, Support Programs Coordinator. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

If you would like to participate in the toy drive, but would prefer to purchase an actual toy or other item to donate to "The Christmas Store," feel free to shop from the community center's wish list as posted on Amazon. To access the list, please click here: <u>https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3508WQG1DBR40?ref =wl\_share</u> When purchasing, please be sure to indicate that you want the item shipped directly to the community center so that it isn't mistakenly sent to your home. (Hope CommUnity Center, 1016 N. Park Ave., Apopka, FL 32712.)

**"Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest:** Students in grades K-8 have the opportunity to participate in the 'Keep Christ in Christmas' poster contest, which is sponsored by the Father McGivney Council of the Knights of Columbus. There are three age divisions: Grades K-2,



3-5, and 6-8. Attached you will find contest rules and entry information, including the entry form which must be affixed to the back of the drawing. All entries must be submitted on 12" X 18" paper. **Please note: All entries are due on Thursday, December 3rd.** 

**SchoolStore.com:** School Store.com is an online shopping mall where over 400 nationally-known online merchants have agreed to give a percentage of sales to K-12 schools. Companies like Walmart.com, DisneyStore.com, and Best Buy participate. Remember to do your online shopping through SchoolStore.com and support Monsignor Slade while shopping at your favorite online merchants.



#### Important News & Notes (continued):

Amazon Smile: When doing your holiday shopping on Amazon, be sure to select Monsignor Slade Catholic School as your organization when using <u>https://</u> <u>Smile.Amazon.com</u> and your purchases will generate a donation to our school.

#### Grade Level Reminders:

The HSPT will take place on Thursday, December 3, 2020, for all 8th grade students who are seeking admission to a Catholic high school.

#### From the School Nurse:



Over the next several weeks, please continue to alert the nurse of all COVID-like symptoms, PCR test results, COVID-19 positive family members, and travel plans by sending an email to <u>covid19@msladeschool.com</u>. We ask this as positive results over the next few weeks may extend the length of your child's quarantine. We want to return to inperson learning on December 3rd in the safest possible manner.

An alarming number of positive cases in children include only ONE symptom which is often overlooked. Please continue to monitor your children and other family members for COVID-like symptoms.

Travel reminders:

- Please email <u>covid19@msladeschool.com</u> to disclose any travel plans, including the dates you are traveling.
- If the state positivity rate rises above 10% at any point during your travel period, your child must get a COVID-19 PCR test upon return to Maryland and receive a negative result in order to return to school.
- Please use the following link to track positivity rates during your out-of-state travel: <u>https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/testing/tracker/overview</u>

#### Advancement Announcements:

#### **Community Building**

**Show your Slade Spirit!** What's missing from COMM\_NITY? You! Celebrate your Slade Spirit--display a yard sign at your home, business, or neighborhood. The Advancement Committee is ordering lawn signs to celebrate Slade's reopening and draw attention to our school for the upcoming recruitment season. <u>Complete this Google poll</u> to request a sign or signs. You may also share the poll with grandparents or godparents who may enjoy supporting the school.

**Referrals = \$\$\$ in 2022!** As we enter recruitment season, remember, any Monsignor Slade family who refers a new family will receive a \$500.00 tuition credit after the student(s) have been enrolled for a full year!

**Parish Liaison Needed** for Our Lady of the Chesapeake to share information regarding MSCS with the parish and parish groups, and to share news from OLC with the school community to foster mutually beneficial communication focused on our mission and the Catholic faith. Email <u>c.hilmer@msladeschool.com</u> if interested.

#### Advancement Announcements (continued):

#### **Enrollment**

**CyberMonday:** Set a reminder! Mark your calendar! A special re-registration deal will be offered on November 30, 2020.

#### **Development**

Monsignor Slade will again be participating in **#GivingTuesday** on December 1, 2020. Watch your email for an invitation to support Monsignor Slade's Annual Fund during this global day of charitable giving. Please consider sharing our social media posts and giving page, too!

Holiday Prep! As we all begin to prepare for and enjoy holiday festivities, please remember to scan your receipts with the BoxTops app and shop via AmazonSmile or MySchoolStore or Office Depot GivesBack to Schools!

Happy Friday Shop your Black Friday deals at smile.amazon.com or with AmazonSmile ON in the app and Amazon donates

#### Alumni Outreach

Seeking Class Agents for:

- Holy Trinity School Class of 1961
  - Holy Trinity School Class of 1971
  - A.S.R.C.S. Class of 1981
  - A.S.R.C.S Class of 1991
  - Monsignor Slade Class of 2001

Please encourage alumni you know in the Slade community to contact Mrs. Hilmer via phone or email. She can be reached at 410-766-7130 or <u>c.hilmer@msladeschool.com</u>.

#### **Fun for the Family!**

**November Photo Challenge!** Submit your photos via social media or to <u>c.hilmer@msladeschool.com</u>.





#### **Mission Statement**

Rooted in Catholic faith and committed to academic excellence, Monsignor Slade Catholic School is dedicated to forming the whole child to know, love, and be disciples of Christ.

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# KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST

\*\*\*\*Please complete first section and sign, then attach this form to the back of child's poster\*\*\*\*

# ENTRY FORM

I wish to enter THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST in the age division (as of Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>) checked below. I realize that my entry becomes property of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council Office.

AGE 5-7 DIVISION (GRADE K-2) COUNCIL NUMBER	GRADE	) DIVISION 3-5)	AGE 11-14 DIVISION (GRADE 6-8)
Name of Entrant		Date	of Birth
Street Address			
City	State/Province		Postal Code
Telephone (Circle one: Home Cell) En	nail	Signature of Entrant	
This Section To Be Complete	d By Parent/Guardia	ពេ:	Council No
POSTER CONTEST. In consideration of such r any of its subordinate units and their officers, men all of the above mentioned from any and all claims	egistration and participation, the u nbers, agents and employees, blame and expenses resulting from or rela of the Knights of Columbus	undersigned hereby agree to h less and without liability, and ting to Entrant's said particip	COLUMBUS "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" hold the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council and hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless hation. The Entrant may compete in only one council- h retains exclusive rights to use said entries

Parent/Guardian

Date signed

#### This Section To Be Completed Knights of Columbus Officials:

SCORING INSTRUCTIONS: A 100-point scoring system is used to determine winners. Information on Rules and Judging are on other side of this form.

Competition Level	Slogan – 30 points	Artistic Merit – 30 points	Overall Impact – 40 points
Council Total:			
District/Regional Total:			
Jurisdictional Total:			
International Level Total:			



**FAITH IN ACTION** 

Score Sheet

# KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS Poster Judging Fact Sheet

#### RULES

Poster must reflect the theme of KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS.

Each poster should be the original work (including concept, layout, slogan and any visual images) of a single person.

Poster must be approximately 11x17 inches in size. If pastels, chalk or charcoal are used, the poster must be laminated or covered with clear plastic. Posters may be in color or black and white.

Each poster must be submitted with a Knights of Columbus "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest entry form. The name and age of the person entering the poster should be included on the back of the poster.

All entries become the property of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council. Posters will not be returned.

#### JUDGING

Judging should be done by teams composed of students, Knights, teachers, administrators, Chaplin, Pastor, etc. In keeping with the theme of giving young people the opportunity to develop their own feeling towards Christmas and our savior Jesus Christ, it's important young people are included in all phases of the judging process.

A 100 point scoring system will be used to determine the winner.

30 Points: Slogan — How clearly is the theme presented?

30 Points: Visuals — How well do the visuals convey the message?

40 Points: Overall impact — How effective was the poster in capturing your attention and causing you to reflect on the topic?

Council's Contact Information Michael Davis - McGivney Council #7025

#### cell 410-218-5626

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Email a copy of this document to: fraternalmission@kofc.org (Councils should also retain a copy of this completed form for their files)

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FAMILY

# **Celebrating Thanksgiving**

Accessible version: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays/thanksgiving.html



Traditional Thanksgiving gatherings with family and friends are fun but can increase the chances of getting or spreading COVID-19 or the flu. Follow these tips to make your Thanksgiving holiday safer.

The safest way to celebrate Thanksgiving this year is to celebrate with people in your household. If you do plan to spend Thanksgiving with people outside your household, take steps to make your celebration safer.

## **Everyone Can Make Thanksgiving Safer**

#### Wear a mask

- Wear a mask with two or more layers to stop the spread of COVID-19.
- Wear the mask over your nose and mouth and secure it under your chin.
- Make sure the mask fits snugly against the sides of your face.

#### Stay at least 6 feet away from others who do not live with you

- Remember that some people without symptoms may be able to spread COVID-19 or flu.
- Keeping 6 feet (about 2 arm lengths) from others is especially important for people who are at higher risk of getting very sick.

#### Wash your hands

- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Keep hand sanitizer with you and use it when you are unable to wash your hands.
- Use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.







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# **Attending a Gathering**

Make your celebration safer. In addition to following the steps that everyone can take to make Thanksgiving safer, take these additional steps while attending a Thanksgiving gathering.

- Bring your own food, drinks, plates, cups, and utensils.
- Wear a mask, and safely store your mask while eating and drinking.
- Avoid going in and out of the areas where food is being prepared or handled, such as in the kitchen.
- Use single-use options, like salad dressing and condiment packets, and disposable items like food containers, plates, and utensils.





## **Hosting a Thanksgiving Gathering**

If having guests to your home, be sure that people follow the steps that everyone can take to make Thanksgiving safer. Other steps you can take include:

- Have a small outdoor meal with family and friends who live in your community.
- Limit the number of guests.
- Have conversations with guests ahead of time to set expectations for celebrating together.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces and items between use.
- · If celebrating indoors, make sure to open windows.
- Limit the number of people in food preparation areas.
- Have guests bring their own food and drink.
- If sharing food, have one person serve food and use single-use options, like plastic utensils.

## **Thanksgiving Travel**

Travel increases your chance of getting and spreading COVID-19. Staying home is the best way to protect yourself and others.

#### lf you do travel

- Check travel restrictions before you go.
- Get your flu shot before you travel.
- Always wear a mask in public settings and on public transportation.
- Stay at least 6 feet apart from anyone who is not in your household.
- Wash your hands often or use hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your mask, eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Bring extra supplies, such as masks and hand sanitizer.



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# **Consider Other Thanksgiving Activities**



# Host a virtual Thanksgiving meal with friends and family who don't live with you

- Schedule a time to share a meal together virtually.
- Have people share recipes and show their turkey, dressing, or other dishes they prepared.

# Watch television and play games with people in your household

- Watch Thanksgiving Day parades, sports, and movies at home.
- Find a fun game to play.

# Shopping

- Shop online sales the day after Thanksgiving and days leading up to the winter holidays.
- Use contactless services for purchased items, like curbside pick-up.
- Shop in open air markets staying 6 feet away from others.

## **Other Activities**

- Safely prepare traditional dishes and deliver them to family and neighbors in a way that does not involve contact with others (for example, leave them on the porch).
- Participate in a gratitude activity, like writing down things you are grateful for and sharing with your friends and family.

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Happy reading, Mrs. Abrams

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## Get a sneak peek at ThankScriping Day bonuses

Check the mobile app, RaiseRight, on Wednesday, November 18.



The next Scrip order will be placed next Friday - 11/20 after this sale.

#### Get started:

- 1. Enroll in the **RaiseRight** mobile app or on **ShopWithScrip.com** with our enrollment code:
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