# SAINT CATHERINE LABOURE SCHOOL NEWS

January 2023

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



January 3 NO SCHOOL-Teacher In Service

> January 4 School Resumes

January 6 8:45am Mass – Faculty

<u>January 13</u> 8:45am Mass – 8L

January 15 8-11:30am PTO Pancake Breakfast (Murray Hall)

January 16

NO SCHOOL – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day 11am-10 pm PTO Restaurant Night-Chili's

> <u>January 20</u> 8:45am Mass – 7C

<u>January 27</u> 8:45 am Mass – 7L

<u>January 29</u> 1:00-6:00pm – Parish Winter Carnival

January 29-February 4 Celebrate Catholic Schools Week



# A Message from the Principal, Mrs. Reagan

Happy New Year St. Catherine Laboure Families,

I pray you all enjoyed your Christmas holidays and are doing well into the new year. December was a short but enjoyable month. We had lovely performances by our students as the PreK conducted their Nativity Christmas program that was soon followed by the K-8th Christmas concert. It was a blessing to finally have both events live and in person. During the month, students of various grade levels participated in their penance service, the cookies and cocoa, and class parties before the Christmas break.

We are looking forward to the start of this 2023 calendar year. Upon our return to school, the students will be taking their second round of the Renaissance STAR testing and our PTO will be planning for the delicious pancake breakfast on January 15th. As we end the month of January and head into the month of February, we will celebrate our Catholic Schools Week. During this time, we plan to host an open house and open our new enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year. We will also be preparing for the excitement of our annual Gala.

Thank you as always for your support and cooperation. We pray for everyone's health and safety as we embark on the year 2023.

# 2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

Peace, Jodí Reagan Principal

### PTO ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Mark your calendar for **<u>Sunday January 15<sup>th</sup></u>** to have a delicious pancake breakfast before or after Sunday mass.



The St. Catherine PTO is hosting an All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast from 8-11:30 in the school gymnasium.

Plan to stop by before or after Mass for breakfast of pancakes, sausage, coffee and juice (prepared by our PTO dads and served by our awesome students!).

Tickets sold at the door: \$10 Adults, \$5 Children 4-10 years, Children 3 and under Free

We hope to see you there!

**REMINDER:** All PTO proceeds from fundraising are being used towards the construction of the new playground.

Newsletter Submissions: If you would like to submit information for the newsletter, please email information to d\_mehalick@hotmail.com

# Happy Birthday!

<u>January 8</u> Yvonne Jackson

January 11 Kenny Kresge

January 27 Tricia Healey



SAVE THE DATE First Ever St. Catherine Winter Carnival

WINTER CARNIVAL IS COMING JANUARY 29, 2023 1:00 P.M.—6:00 P.M. MURRAY HALL

The weather outside might be frightful in January! But that doesn't mean it can't be delightful. More details coming soon!

# A Note from the SCLS PTO President, Erin Henderson

Happy New Year, SCLS Families!

I hope everyone had a relaxing Christmas and enjoyed spending time with family and friends. Hoping that everyone is coming back to school healthy and ready to take on 2023!

Looking ahead at January, mark your calendars for Sunday, January 15 from 8:00-11:30AM in Murray Hall for the PTO Pancake Breakfast. We have our "Dad Crew" ready to go in the kitchen, serving up a delicious all you can eat breakfast. Come to mass... and stay for pancakes! This is one of PTO's favorite events of the year, and you don't want to miss it.

The PTO playground project is in full swing and is another reason you should consider joining us for the Pancake Breakfast! All our fundraising for the rest of this school year is going directly to making this project a reality. PTO has put a deposit down and signed the paperwork, and we are looking for it to be delivered in the Spring (stay tuned for volunteering opportunities once the equipment is delivered). But we still need YOUR help. All our fundraising for the rest of this year will be going towards funding the remainder of this project. If you want to just make a donation directly towards the playground, that is an option too! Look for the QR codes on the school website and on the renderings in the school office and parish Narthex and you can donate right from your phone or computer! We need your help and support, so please consider donating what you can! We - and all the students at SCLS who are so excited to see this project become a reality - are so appreciative for the support!

Finally, the Parish is planning a Winterfest for Sunday, January 29 from 1:00-6:00PM, and PTO will be there helping with kids' games and crafts. The details are still being planned out, but we do ask you to save the date and come for what is sure to be a fun afternoon. Make sure you stop by to see us!

Wishing a very Happy New Year to all our SCLS families. Let's make 2023 the best year yet! *Erin* Kenderson



Thank you for supporting the PTO school community drive!

Donations were delivered to Caitlin's Smiles and The Evergreen House before Christmas break. Both groups were thankful for the support.



# SCLS 2022-2023 Annual Fund and Online Day of Giving Update

Online Day of Giving was a success!!! We collected \$10,473 towards our goal of \$10,000.

That brings the Annual Fund to **\$53,000**. Please donate today to our 2022-2023 Annual Fund and help us reach our goal of **\$55,000**. All proceeds go directly to our school and our students.

#### Thank you for your support and generosity!

Link to donate: St. Catherine Laboure · 2022-2023 Annual Fund (Iglforms.com)

#### <u>PTO Executive</u> Board

Erin Henderson President

**Colleen Formica** Vice President

Janell Maglowski Treasurer

Danielle Harper Secretary

Father James Lease Pastor

Mrs. Jodi Reagan Principal



#### **PTO FUNDRAISER and EVENT UPDATES**

Thank you to everyone who continues to participate in our PTO fundraisers!!!! We appreciate the support and look forward to exciting news on what we plan to purchase this year. STAY TUNED!!!!

Blaze Pizza - \$55

PTO Christmas Store - \$2000

Franco's – TBD

5 Below - TBD

#### **PTO Monthly Teacher Appreciation**

The PTO is back at it this year with monthly teacher appreciation treats for our faculty and staff.

For December, Santa stopped by to "Chex" in on the teachers and said they were all on the NICE list this year! All of us agree!

THANK YOU FACULTY AND STAFF AT SCLS!!!!

They shopped 'til they dropped!!!!

Thank you so much to everyone who participated in this years PTO Christmas Store. It was another sell out year! Even after buying more "goodies" to shop for this year, by the end of day number two the shelves were bare.

We hope everyone was surprised by what their little elves left under the tree for them after shopping the store.

Thank you for supporting another PTO fundraiser!





PTO RESTAURANT AND RETAIL NIGHTS				
Please come out and support the PTO for some good food and fun!!! Flyers for both events are located at the end of the newsletter and can be shared with family and friends. (Watch for emails and social media postings too!)				
Chili's Monday January 16 <sup>th</sup> 11 am to 10 pm Must bring or mention flyer (located at end of newsletter)				
<b>YEARBOOK! YEARBOOK!</b> Order your yearbook now to enjoy a year full of memories. Please place your				
online order to ensure your child receives a copy. Only a few extra copies have been ordered and they will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. Orders can be placed using the link below. <u>https://www.balfour.com</u>				
Search for St. Catherine Laboure School, Harrisburg, PA in the search box on the Balfour website and click the link to yearbooks. From now until December 31 <sup>st</sup> yearbooks are \$28. Prices increase to \$32 on January 1st.				
If you have any interest in taking over the yearbook for the 2023 - 2024 school year, please contact Colleen Formica, cformica78@gmail.com.				

# PTO and student Council Soda Tab Collection

The PTO is partnering with Student Council again this year for a school-wide service project by collecting soda tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. All students are asked to collect soda tabs at home and bring them into your homerooms, where they will be collected and weighed by Student Council in 3 rounds.

Congratulations to 6C who collected the most tabs in the first round - just over 8 lbs of tabs! They will be awarded a dessert treat from the PTO.

The next round ends February 7, and the deadline for the final round of the year will be May 2. Please help Student Council reach their goal of collecting 400 lbs of tabs this school year!





Cookies and Cocoa was held on Tuesday December 20<sup>th</sup>. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grades got to wear their pajamas, have guest speakers read to them and then sit together and enjoy some hot cocoa and cookies. A special thank you to our guest readers: Father Lease, Father Arena, Father Sawicki and Commissioner Mike Pries.









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# Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

As we ended 2022, St. Catherine Laboure School was filled with prayer, blessings, songs, and lots of laughter. We closed the year off with lots of holiday celebrations.

We hope you all had a very happy holiday, and we are looking forward to a very blessed New Year!







Mom, I heard they are putting in a new playground for us!

Guys, you'll never believe it....we're getting a new playground!!!! Monkey bars are a must!

#### Can't wait to donate?????

Please click <u>here</u> to help make this playground a dream come true for our students!

### SCLS PLAYGROUND UPDATE

A committee was formed.

A company was selected.

The committee narrowed it down to three sets.

The students voted (and couldn't hide their excitement).

Father Lease agreed to give up some parking spaces.

A plan is in the works.

A NEW playground is coming to SCLS!!!

#### THE COMMITTEE NEEDS OUR SCLS FAMILY!!!!

If you know of any groups or companies who would be willing to donate towards our playground let us know. We have a lot of fundraising left to do to ensure the playground gets completed. If you can help with donations, grants, fundraising please email Danielle Harper @ d\_mehalick@hotmail.com. Stay tuned for more details around finances and timeline.

NOTE: Drawings are not finalized and could change slightly.

Save the Mate St. Catherine families mark your calendars and order your tickets now! Tickets and sponsorships are now available. <u>St. Catherine Labouré Gala – Saint Catherine Labouré</u> <u>Catholic School (sclhbg.org)</u>.

Get your tickets sooner rather than later to this amazing event that helps to raise so much money for our little school. And you get to raise money while dressing up, dancing and having a great time with other SCLS families and faculty!

Follow the Friends of St. Catherine Gala on Facebook (<u>https://www.facebook.com/stcatherinegala</u>) to get up to date information.

THE FRIENDS OF ST. CATHERINE LABOURE PRESENTS

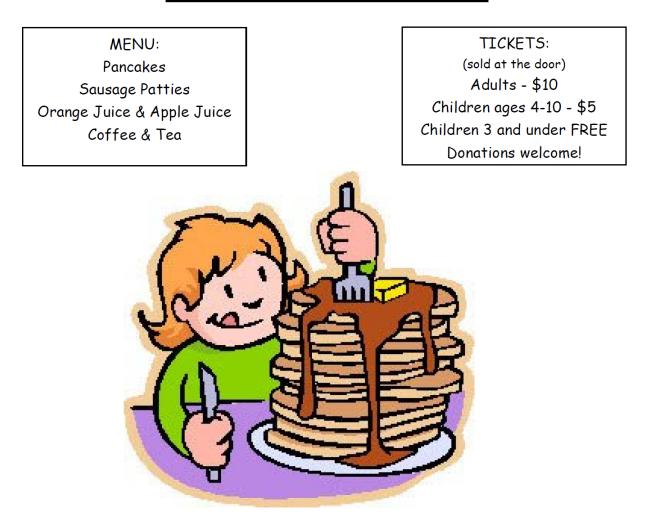
# GALA 2023 A NIGHT UNDER THE STARS

FEBRUARY 11, 2023 5:30 PM HILTON HARRISBURG 1 NORTH 2ND STREET HARRISBURG, PA 17010

COCKTAIL RECEPTION, DINNER, SILENT & LIVE AUCTIONS AND ENTERTAINMENT GALA TICKET INFORMATION AND SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES WILL BE LOCATED ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE.

# The SCLS PTO All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast!

<u>Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup></u> <u>8:00-11:30AM in Murray Hall</u> (come before or after Mass!)



Please enter either through the Church Narthex doors or Library doors by the back ramp.

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# **GOOD FOOD** For a great cause

**506F** YOUR TICKET **PROCEEDS GOES TOWARDS** ST. CATHERINE LABOURE

WHEN YOU PRESENT OR MENTION THIS FLYER WHILE ORDERING.

Jan. 16, 2023

From 11 AM to 10 PM

Chili's Harrisburg 4611 High Pointe Harrisburg, PA 717-558-8781

#### Tax ID#:

MENTION OR SHOW THE GIVE BACK FLYER WITH EACH CHECK TO RECEIVE CREDIT FOR THE SALE. SALE CANNOT BE INCLUDED IN DONATION AMOUNT WITH FLYER. OFFER ONLY VALID ON THE DATE AND LOCATION STATED ABOVE. DONATIONS WILL NOT BE GIVEN ON SALES MADE PRIOR TO OR PAST THIS DATE.



### PTO is selling Spirit Wear items!

To order, please fill out and clip the bottom of this flyer and send it into the school office with cash or check (made out to SCLS PTO). You can also pay via Venmo - @sclspto. Quantities are limited - first come, first served!

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Cinch Sack - \$10	Magnet - \$	5 Wat	er bottle - \$13
	- \$15 Baseball hat		
Name:		Hor	neroom:
Contact Phor	ne Number:		
*Please	enter the quantity r	requested on the	line*
Baseball Hat:	(\$20 each)	Beanie Hat:	(\$15 each)
Magnets:	_(\$5 each) Cir	nch Sacks:	(\$10 each)
Water Bottles:	(\$13 each)	Lanyard:	(\$5 each)
	Total: \$		

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