

**December 19, 2023** 



Congratulations to nine of our students for their winning posters in the Knights of Columbus "Keep Christ in Christmas" contest.

# | Important Dates

December 19: Field Trip (all grades) & Early Dismissal, 12:30pm December 20 - January 1: No School - Christmas Break

### 2023 NJHS Inductees

Father Andrew White, S.J. School, Linda Maloney Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society was established to recognize outstanding middle school students. Membership in the National Junior Honor Society is both an honor and a commitment.

Congratulations to the newly inducted NJHS members who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of Scholarship, Leadership, Service, Character, and Citizenship.

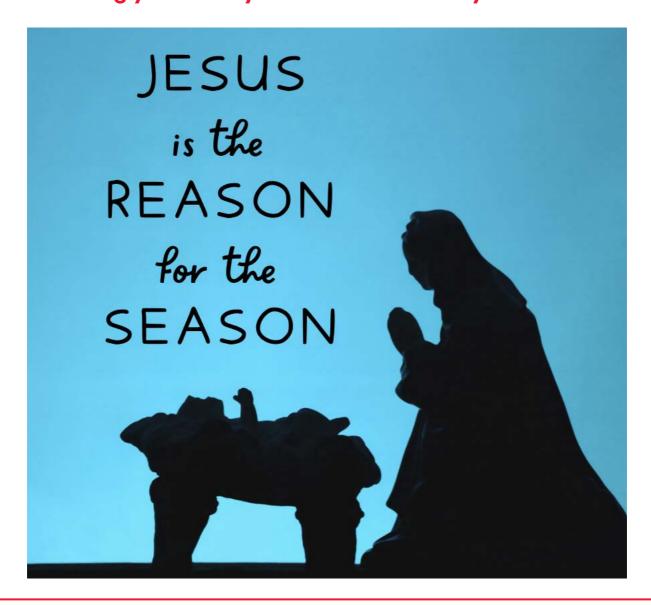
- Bella Merendino
- Kaden Rawlings
- Jon Voigtlander, Jr.
- Sam Wathen
- Bella Beavan
- Barsina Bekhit
- Anna Carrillo
- Grace Cosgrove
- Adam DeLucco
- Teddy Dyckman
- Ava Francis
- Ella Hamm
- Kathleen Hinkle
- Brooklyn Huett
- Brooke Safford
- Mattison Safford
- Emma Tennant
- Connor Tennyson
- Olivia Wise
- Elaina Zimmerman





Thank you to all who ordered gift cards. A special note of gratitude goes to Mrs. Casto who filled all of the orders before the holidays. Many thanks! For questions about the RaiseRight gift card program, please contact: <a href="mailto:faw.scrip@gmail.com">faw.scrip@gmail.com</a>.

# Wishing your family a Blessed and Merry Christmas!



**Donations Needed for our Brown Bag Auction!** 



FEBRUARY 3, 2024 | 5:00PM - 8:00PM FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL



#### DONATIONS NEEDED!

PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING TO HELP US CREATE KID AND/OR FAMILY-THEMED, FUN-FILLED BASKETS FOR THE AUCTION! HERE ARE SOME THINGS WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

THEMED BASKETS ALREADY ASSEMBLED NEW ITEMS GIFT CARDS RE-GIFTED ITEMS

#### DONATIONS NEEDED BY JANUARY 19TH!

CONTACT BELOW FOR ANY QUESTIONS! JESSICA PHILLIPS (301) 904-2192 SHANNON DENT (240) 298-8138



Due to winter break, the menu for January and February is now open. Order your lunch today!

https://fmsecure.orgsonline.com/m\_login.aspx

The January menu will close on **December 30th**.

The February menu will close on **January 27th**.

\*Please note, we will be doing a trial run during these months of offering "gluten free pizza" on Papa Johns days. You will have the choice of ordering the whole pizza (\$9) or a half pizza (\$5). This will include the fruit and dessert as well.

\*\*There will be **NO hot lunch** offered on Thursday, February 1st. More info on this will be released at a later date.

Please be aware that if we experience a delayed opening, hot lunch will be cancelled. The only exceptions to this will be Chick-fil-A or Pizza.

In the event of lunch cancellations, credits will be issued.



Since last week's newsletter, I have received notice of a couple of other potentially catchy things going around the school. In addition to Flu B, we also have students that have had Influenza type A; Hand, Foot & Mouth disease; Pediculus humanus capitis (ie head lice); and a non-specific "stomach bug."

Another thing that is not contagious but we have noticed recently is an increase in mental health issues - both cognitive and emotional. This is true for both kids and adults and includes such things as forgetfulness, poor concentration, irritability, anxiety, resurfaced grief, sadness and depression.

While this is to be expected this time of year with the busyness of the holidays and the occasional winter doldrums, it should also be a reminder to put extra effort into taking care of your mental health. Also, remember to be patient with the little ones, because even good stress (like waiting for Santa) can get overwhelming and affect us in negative ways. Above all, make time to stop and let yourself relax (even if just briefly), and reflect on the reason for the season.

# **VOLUNTEER**OPPORTUNITIES



# **Volunteer Opportunity: Landscaping**

Do you enjoy landscaping? We are looking for volunteers to assist on our school grounds. Please email Rachel Richards at <a href="mailto:cptrbrown@aol.com">cptrbrown@aol.com</a> to let her know you can help.



# Sign up to Reserve the Spirit Rock



### **Spirit Rock Sign Up**

Click here  $\S$  to learn more about our the Spirit Rock.



# **Volunteer Opportunity Form**

Complete this form to show us how you are interested in volunteering this year!



### Volunteer Information

https://fatherandrewwhite.org/ steps-to-volunteer/



# Volunteer Recording Form

Record your hours here!

RaiseRight Gift Card Program Account

### **TADS Tuition Account**

Click here  $\S$  to log in to your TADS account to view tuition agreements and make payments.

### **PlusPortals Parent Login**

Click here  $\S$  to log in to see grades and report cards.

# **Principal Szoch's News**

Click here  $\S$  to read messages from the Principal.

### **Our Last School Newsletter**

Click here  $\P$  to read our previous Crusader Connections School Newsletter.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Science & History Fair	First Friday Mass (hosted by 4th Grade) Pep Rally	Jingle Bell Fun Run
Advent Begins	Field Trip (grades 3 & 4)	5	6	7 Christmas Pageant & Cookie Walk	Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass	9
10	Picture Day Make-ups	12	Advent Confessions 13  Progress Reports Posted (grades 4-8)	14	15 NJHS Induction Middle School Monthly Activity	16
17	18	12:30pm Early Dismissal	20 ← Cr	21 ristmas Break	22 – No School -	23
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### **Upcoming Community Events**

Click here h to view upcoming events from our community.

### **Weekly Reminders:**

- ☐ Submit Volunteer Hours
- ☐ Have a Blessed Christmas and a Restful Winter Break!







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