



ECEC News for November 3, 2023

ECEC NEWS FOR NOVEMBER

I want to thank everyone for supporting our teachers. Your words of kindness and gratitude for the staff are always appreciated. This week, I had a parent tell me their child talks more about Jesus now that they are at school each day, they tell us to pray before dinner each night. Prayer is power and even our youngest children can talk to Jesus in prayer.

Our staff enjoys sharing the words of Jesus with their class. Teachers use the chapel for prayer, when talking about baptism and quiet times. Children look at the stained glass windows and stations of the cross with amazement. I encourage you to look at the stained glass windows in your church and point out different symbols, words or people represented in the windows.

**November we will focus on St. Cecelia as our Saint.
St. Cecelia is the patron saint of music and poets.**

HCA Gala: If you can't attend the Gala, be sure to sign to and look for the special ECEC auction items. You can bid on a classroom ice cream party for your child and lunch with Ms. Angie from their favorite restaurant. There are also some amazing baskets. Look for a link on the HCA website for the Gala.

Ladies Events at Seven Holy Founders

November 11: Ladies Igniting Faith Together "LIFT"

LIFT is a faith sharing fellowship group which meets monthly to grow in faith with prayer, discussion of a given topic and share a dialogue. It is a "take an hour" time to be with others in our journey of faith.

Our next meeting is on Saturday, November 11, at 9 A.M. in the Mary Room of Parish Center located behind the church. If you have any questions about LIFT, contact Judy Keller at 314-221-0117.



Ladies Advent by Candlelight at SHF

December 3, 2023: 6:30 - 8:30pm

Location: Seven Holy Founders Parish Hall

Ladies, please join us for Advent By Candlelight An evening to prepare our hearts for the birth of Jesus. The evening will include time for prayer and reflection, an inspirational Advent message about “Joyful Anticipation” and will be given by our guest speaker: Melissa Hunter from Holy Cross Academy For reservations, please email SHFABC@yahoo.com or call Mary Gereaux at 314-681-6412 with any questions.

Registration deadline is Sunday, November 27th. Please indicate if you have a table or want us to assign you to a table. Hostess decorates her table and provides dessert and drink for her guests.. Each table will accommodate 8 women. To our Ladies who are new to the parish or school families... please join us at our New Parishioners Table hosted by the Welcoming Committee, and specify if you are new when you register. This will be an opportunity to meet other parishioners and enjoy a wonderful evening of fellowship and prayer.

KINDERGARTEN EXPLORATION NIGHT – SAVE THE DATE

We want to invite families to attend Kindergarten Exploration Night on November 9 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Children will meet the teachers and visit the classrooms. Parents will talk with current parents and school leaders about HCA. This night is for any kindergarten age eligible children and families, so you can invite a friend or neighbor.



Highlights:

Kindergarten students are able to ride the HCA shuttle bus. You can drop off your preschooler and put your Kindergarten on the shuttle to the Primary campus.

Kindergarten students come to the ECEC twice a month to continue the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program.

HCA feels like a second family: smaller community deeply rooted in Jesus Christ.

Thank You For All the Dads and Friends that Attended our Halloween Fun



SANTAS WORKSHOP : DONATIONS NEEDED

Share with your family and friends that we are looking for donations, anyone can make donations to the workshop.

The ECEC campus has a special Christmas shop for children. We are accepting new and gently used items for our Christmas workshop. Children will be able to shop for 4 adults. Each item will be priced as \$1

Donations Needed: necklaces, spa items, small tools, golf items, hot sauce or dipping sauce, figurines, coffee mugs or travel mugs, Christmas ornaments, Card Games, Puzzles, Logic puzzle books, cook books, candles, or small size decorations, religious items etc...

We do NOT accept toys or gift items for siblings, this shop is just for parents, grandparents or other loved ones. Workshop on Dec. 14 - 15

LITTLE LAMBS PLAYGROUP

You are invited to a monthly Playgroup. It is held at the Primary Campus in the Gym.

You can invite other friends To attend with you.

Contact Marie Laury at marielynnlaury@gmail.com

HCA Little Lambs Fall 2023



September 22 🍁

🍊 October 20

November 17 🦃

🎄 December 5

**St. Michael's Gym
9-10:30 AM**

Children birth to preschool age welcome with their caregivers.

No signup needed, just come ready to play!

Questions? Contact Marie Laury, marielynnlaury@gmail.com.

UPCOMING DATES:

Nov. 9 Kindergarten Exploration Night 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Nov. 10 11:45 Dismissal all children, Professional Development

Nov. 18 Gala Auction Night

Nov. 22, 23, 24 Closed, Happy Thanksgiving

Dec. 13 Advent Music Program

Dec. 14 ECEC Santa's Workshop

Dec. 15 ECEC Santa's Workshop

Dec. 21 No School, Start Christmas Break

Jan. 3, 2024 Return to School

Jan 15 No School MLK

Jan. 28 Open House for new families

Jan. 29 - Feb 1 Catholic Schools Week

