



DECEMBER 13, 2023

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

WELCOME TO THE 2ND WEEK OF ADVENT! THIS WEEK IN ADVENT FOCUSES ON PEACE, AND IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, WE ALL JOIN IN PRAYER FOR PEACE AROUND THE WORLD AS WE AWAIT THE COMING CHRISTMAS SEASON. AROUND THE SCHOOL WE ARE PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS BREAK, WHICH BEGINS FOR STUDENTS ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20TH AT 11:30. CHRISTMAS BREAK WILL CONTINUE FOR ALL STUDENTS AND TEACHERS THROUGH TUESDAY, JANUARY 2ND, WITH ALL RETURNING TO SCHOOL ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3RD. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE FOR SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS AT LAST WEEK'S FINE ARTS EVENING! WE ALSO WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR THE GENEROUS DONATIONS MADE TO OUR ANGEL TREE FOOD BOXES FOR OUR ADVENT SERVICE PROJECT! UNTIL NEXT WEEK, STAY SAFE AND BE BLESSED!

UPCOMING DATES

DECEMBER 18-20
CHRISTMAS COUNTDOWN
(DETAILS ON NEXT PAGE)

WEDNESDAY
DECEMBER 20
EARLY RELEASE DAY

DECEMBER 22 - JANUARY 1
SHCS OFFICE CLOSED

JANUARY 28 - FEBRUARY 3
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

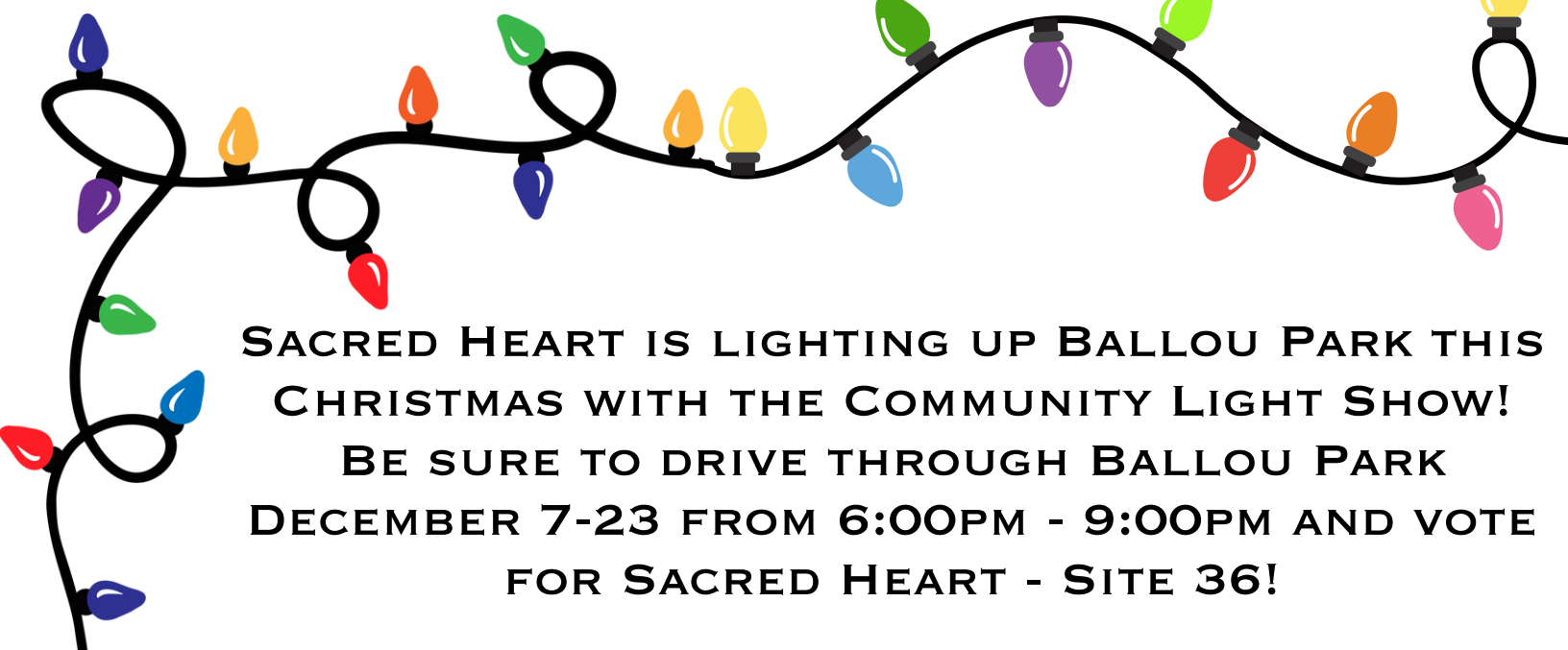


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SACRED HEART IS LIGHTING UP BALLOU PARK THIS CHRISTMAS WITH THE COMMUNITY LIGHT SHOW!
BE SURE TO DRIVE THROUGH BALLOU PARK
DECEMBER 7-23 FROM 6:00PM - 9:00PM AND VOTE
FOR SACRED HEART - SITE 36!

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18

Merry Monday
Wear a Christmas sweater!
(with uniform bottoms)



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19

Grinch Tuesday
Grinch Out!

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

Wacky Winter Wednesday
Wear Christmas socks
and/or a funny hat!



VIRTUS

VIRTUS IS A VERY IMPORTANT PART OF OUR SAFE ENVIRONMENT. IT IS A CLASS REQUIRED BY ALL VOLUNTEERS TO TEACH ADULTS HOW TO IDENTIFY UNSAFE ADULTS AND HOW TO PROTECT OUR STUDENTS FROM THESE UNSAFE ADULTS. CLASSES WILL BE OFFERED MONTHLY AT THE SCHOOL. ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST REGISTER AND PARTICIPATE IN A SESSION BEFORE SIGNING UP FOR FIELD TRIPS, CAFETERIA HELP, ETC. YOU CAN REGISTER FOR A SESSION BY HEADING TO VIRTUS.ORG AND CHOOSING DIOCESE OF RICHMOND WHEN CREATING YOUR ACCOUNT.

JANUARY 24, 2024: 9:30 A.M.

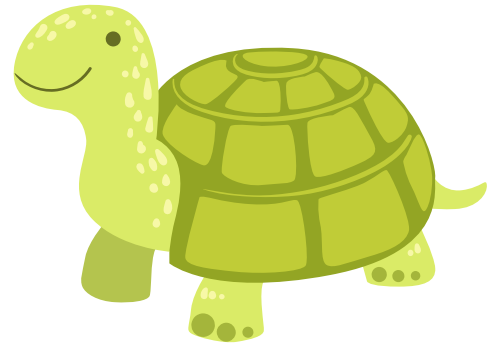
FEBRUARY 21, 2024: 5:30 P.M.

MARCH 20, 2024: 9:30 A.M.

APRIL 17, 2024: 5:30 P.M.

MAY 1, 2024: 9:30 A.M.

IF YOU ORDERED PICTURES FROM CAROLINA CRITTERS, THEY WILL BE AVAILABLE IN FOUR WEEKS.



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SINCE 1974, NATIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK IS THE ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN THE UNITED STATES. IT STARTS THE LAST SUNDAY IN JANUARY AND RUNS ALL WEEK, WHICH IN 2024 IS JANUARY 28 – FEBRUARY 3. THE THEME FOR NATIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2024 IS “CATHOLIC SCHOOLS: UNITED IN FAITH AND COMMUNITY.” SCHOOLS TYPICALLY OBSERVE THE ANNUAL CELEBRATION WEEK WITH MASSES, OPEN HOUSES AND OTHER ACTIVITIES FOR STUDENTS, FAMILIES, PARISHIONERS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS. THROUGH THESE EVENTS, SCHOOLS FOCUS ON THE VALUE CATHOLIC EDUCATION PROVIDES TO YOUNG PEOPLE AND ITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR CHURCH, OUR COMMUNITIES AND OUR NATION.