

FTO January 20, 2023

***School Mass Change:** The School Mass for this week has been changed to Wednesday, January 25. There will not be a School Mass on Friday, January 27. Parents are always invited to attend.

***Winter Social:** The Winter Social will be rescheduled to a later date.

***Open House:** Catholic Schools Week begins January 29 and continues through February 3. Our celebration begins with the 10:30 Mass at St. Columba Church. Families are encouraged to attend and **students should wear their uniforms**. Following the Mass, there will be an Open House at Saint Columba School from 11:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M. Everyone is invited to tour the school and meet the staff and the teachers. Please encourage anyone with school aged students to come and see what Catholic education has to offer. We are very excited to have this opportunity to showcase our school. Light refreshments will be served.

* **Catholic School's Week:** January 29th – February 3th. Many fun and educational activities have been planned to celebrate Catholic School's Week. We are asking families to donate \$10/family to help offset rising costs. Please forward your donation to the school office and mark the envelope or check memo CSW.

***Cold Weather Clothing Drive:** As part of our continued effort to give back to the community, Saint Columba School will be sponsoring a Warm Clothing Drive that will begin on Monday, January 30 and continue during Catholic Schools Week. More information has been sent home in the Family Folder. Thank you in advance for your generous contributions.

***Parent-Student Luncheon:** A special luncheon has been planned for students and parents on Thursday, February 2 during Catholic Schools Week. **Extra cafeteria volunteers** have been requested to help serve and cleanup on that day. Please contact the school if you are able to help.

***Leprechaun Loop:** Plans are underway for St. Columba School's Leprechaun 5K Loop Run/Fun Walk. Attached is the registration form to participate. Registration will soon be available through falconracetiming.com. Sponsors are also needed for this important fundraiser. A sponsorship letter is attached. Suggested sponsors that you can contact are employers and community businesses that you patronize. Payment and sponsor letters must be returned by February 17. **We still need many volunteers to ensure that this will be a successful event.**

***Drama Club:** Drama Club, under the direction of Bloomsburg Theatre Ensemble, will resume on Tuesday, February 14. More information is attached. We are extremely fortunate that our students have this outstanding opportunity to work with professionals in this area of the arts. Registration is limited, so please sign up early!

***Check Payment:** Please use separate checks when paying for Tuition, Lunch, and Aftercare. Prompt payment is appreciated.

* **Cafeteria:** **We are still in need of volunteers in the cafeteria** to help serve and sanitize tables and chairs. If you are able to help, please contact Mary Getz at 570-764-6210. **Currently, we also need donations of napkins and paper towels.**