



2024-2025 School Year



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DECEMBER 2024

INFORMATIONAL FLYERS INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER:

SCHOOL EVENTS – December Calendar and Lunch Menu, HSA Tuition Raffle Flyer, Santa's Secret Workshop Information and SPIRIT NIGHTS at restaurants PARISH EVENTS – Parents Night Out, SPN Parish Outreach Needs, and the SPN Knights of Columbus KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS Poster Contest, and Breakfast with St. Nicholas

- December 1, 2024 Advent Begins
- December 1, 2024 Knights of Columbus Keep Christ in Christmas Posters Due
- December 3, 2024 HSA Out of Uniform Day (Day 3 of 3 Days)
- December 3, 2024 Used Uniform Exchange from 3-5 PM
- December 4, 2024 Grade 8 ONLY Early Dismissal at 11:30 AM HS Placement Test
 - December 5, 2024 School Mass for all Grades at 9 AM followed by Honor Roll Assembly
- December 5, 2024 Spirit Night at Italia's Corner Café from 4-8:30 PM
- December 6, 2024 Parents Night Out Sponsored by the Girl Scouts from 6-9 PM
- December 8, 2024 Youth Mass at 5 PM
- December 8, 2024 The Annual Linthicum Christmas Tree Lighting at 6 PM
- December 11, 2024 Spirit Night at Panda Express from 9:30 AM to 11:30 PM
- December 12, 2024 School Mass for pre-K to Grade 3 at 9 AM
- December 12, 2024 Santa's Secret Workshop Setup
- December 13, 2024 Brown Bag Lunches Project
- December 13, 2024 No Hot Lunch Wear red/green/Christmas colors!
- December 13, 2024 Santa's Secret Workshop 8 AM to 5 PM (open to Parish 3-5 PM)
- December 15, 2024 Breakfast with St. Nicholas from 9 AM to 1 PM Sponsored by the Scouts
- December 18, 2024 House Activity Wear your House Color!
- December 18, 2024 Spirit Night at Primanti Bros. from 11 AM to 11 PM
- December 19, 2024 Ugly Sweater Day / Class Christmas Parties
- December 19, 2024 School Mass for Grades 4 through 8 at 9 AM
- December 19, 2024 Choir Christmas Concert at 6:00 PM
- December 20, 2024 School Christmas Concert at 8:30 AM
- December 20, 2024 Early Dismissal at 11 AM
- December 25, 2024 MERRY CHRISTMAS
- Dec 21-31, 2024 NO SCHOOL Christmas Break

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Mission Statement:

St. Philip Neri School is dedicated to fostering Catholic faith and academic excellence. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, students are provided the opportunity to develop their gifts and talents while striving to become active members of their church. A foundation for future success and life-long learning is provided in partnership with the family, parish and school community.

December 1

ADVENT BEGINS!

May this season bring you closer to Christ as we approach the birth of our Savior!

KOC POSTERS DUE!

Posters for the SPN Knights of Columbus KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS Contest are due! Information about this contest is on pages 19-20 in this newsletter.

December 2

Trimester 2 House Christmas Project Begins!

See page 18 for more information!

DECEMBER 3

Home and School Association Out of Uniform Day (3rd Day)

The HSA is sponsoring three out-of-uniform days with proceeds going towards HSA-sponsored events. The cost is \$10 for all three days paid in advance or \$5 each day of. ONLINE PAYMENT LINK: <u>https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/stphilipneri/hsaout-of-uniform</u>

Used Uniform Exchange 3-5 PM in the Basement

The HSA sponsors the Used Uniform Exchange to help alleviate costs of school uniforms. We accept like new/gently used uniforms for either credit or trade. Please email Holly at <u>spnuseduniforms@gmail.com</u> with specific questions about this exchange!









DECEMBER 4 EARLY DISMISSAL FOR 8th GRADE STUDENTS ONLY!

Our 8th graders will be taking the HSPT and then leaving SPN early! We wish our Class of 2025 the best of luck on these entrance exams!

DECEMBER 5

SCHOOL MASS AT 9 AM

All grades will be attending this Mass. All are welcome! Middle School students will stay after Mass to accept their TRIMESTER 1 HONOR ROLL AWARDS!

SPIRIT NIGHT AT ITALIA'S CORNER CAFE from 4:00-8:30 PM

Enjoy a tasty meal at our local Italian restaurant! Don't forget to mention SPN when you place your order so we can receive some money!

December 6

PARENTS NIGHT OUT FROM 6-9 PM

Sponsored by the Girl Scouts

You must register your child for this event. All children ages 4-12 are welcome. Includes dinner, snacks, crafts, games, and BINGO. The cost is \$10 per child per month. Pre-registration is required. Adult SPN Girl Scouts volunteers are chaperoning. Email Maryann Kulesz at rakak@aol.com for registration form or guestions.







High School



SPN Spirit Night at Italia's Corner



1st Thursday of the Month 4:00-8:30 PM 7089 B&A Blvd. Glen Burnie, MD 21061

Please mention SPN when you order for dine-in or carry-out. The Italia's Corner cashier will put all receipts in a basket. SPN will earn 10% back on the total!







DECEMBER 8

Parish Youth Mass at 5 PM

After this monthly mass there will be food, fellowship, and Christmas caroling in our neighborhood. For more information, please contact Matteo Santi Amantini at <u>matteo.santi-amantini@archbalt.org</u> See page 25 for more information about caroling!



LINTHICUM TREE LIGHTING at 6 PM sponsored by the Linthicum Decorating Committee!

The fun starts at 6 PM at the intersection of Maple Road and Camp Meade Road. Featuring our SPN School Chorus! Visit from the Jolly Old Elf himself! Juice and cookies will be served! COST IS FREE! Come and get into the Christmas spirit! If you have any questions about this event, please contact Mr. Lathroum at plathroum@spnmd.orq.

LINTHICUM TREE LIGHTING SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8 6 PM Corner of Camp Meade Road And Maple Road Featuring The SPN School Chorus

December 9

Trimester 2 House Christmas Items due!

See page 18 for more information!

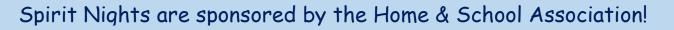
DECEMBER 11

Spirit Night at Panda Express from 9:30 AM to 11:30 PM

Please be sure to mention SPN when placing your order using our code of

376231

The flyer is located on page 27.





the flyer in the restaurant

for SPN to earn 20% of

your order total.

Panda Express October 23 Code - 376230 December 11 Code - 376231 January 29 Code - 376232 ALL DAY LONG 9:30 AM - 11:30 PM

Spirit Day at

DECEMBER 12 SCHOOL MASS AT 9 AM

Students in Pre-K to Grade 3 will be attending this Mass. All are welcome!



SANTA'S SECRET WORKSHOP SETUP

Starting at 8 AM!

Santa's little elves will be transforming the SPN Gym into a Winter Wonderland for our annual Santa's Secret Workshop. Thanks to all of the volunteers that have signed up to pull this transformation off! We had an overwhelming response to this request!

DECEMBER 13

BROWN BAG LUNCHES PROJECT

Lunches should be brought to the school on Friday morning (December 13) by 8:30 AM and placed in boxes that will be at the entrances where students enter the building at drop off.

The lunches are distributed throughout the area to local homeless shelters, camps, and to others in great need. Please know that every lunch is needed and appreciated.

If your family is able to send in a brown bag lunch, the lunch should include:

- A bologna, ham, or turkey sandwich with cheese and mustard (please no mayonnaise) OR a peanut butter and jelly sandwich
- 2) A snack
- 3) A bag of chips
- 4) A piece of fruit
- 5) Optional: A small not or prayer; no signature required

As a way of living out the Corporal Works of Mercy this school year, we will be feeding the hungry, and giving drink to the thirsty through our Brown Bag Lunch Fridays project!

FRIDAY BROWN BAG LUNCHES



"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least of my brothers of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:40

God bless you for your generosity.

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least of my brothers of mine, you did for me." - Matthew 25:40

4/11

DECEMBER 13

WEAR YOUR CHRISTMAS COLORS (RED/GREEN)

To get into the Christmas spirit, students are allowed to wear RED/GREEN to school. Please adhere to the appropriate out-of-uniform policies as stated in our Parent Student Handbook.

NO LUNCH SERVED TODAY!

Due to the Santa's Secret workshop, no lunch will be served today by our lunch ladies! Please send in your student with a lunch today!

SANTA'S SECRET WORKSHOP

All students will be attending Santa's Secret Workshop (see schedule on Page 28) to buy gifts for their loved ones. Items range in cost from \$1 to \$15. Students will have 30 minutes to shop and 30 minutes to get their items wrapped by Santa's elves! Each class will leave with cookies to have in their homerooms!







The shop will be open after school from 3-5 PM if students need extra time to shop. This time frame is open to our SPN Parishioners to shop! See page 26!

We had an overwhelming response for volunteers for this event! Thanks so much! If you have any questions about Santa's Secret Workshop, please email Mrs. Wenzlick at <u>swenzlick@spnmd.org</u>.

We are looking for donations of Dunkin gift cards!

This donation can count towards family service hours. Donations are due in by MONDAY, DECEMBER 9. Please mark the envelope "SSW DD CARDS" and include your name to receive credit!



DECEMBER 15

Breakfast with St. Nicholas in the parish hall from 9 AM until 1 PM. This event is sponsored by the Boy Scouts Troop 447. See flyer on page 23.

DECEMBER 18

WEAR YOUR HOUSE COLORS!

The students will participate in a house Activity this day!

SPIRIT NIGHT AT PRIMANTI BROTHERS FROM 11 AM to 11 PM

Please show the flyer on page 24 when placing your order. If ordering online, please use the code **DINE2DONATE**. This event is sponsored by the Home and School Association.

DECEMBER 19

UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER DAY

Students are allowed to wear their best UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER to school. Please adhere to out-of-uniform policies!

SCHOOL MASS AT 9 AM

Students in Grades 4-8 will be attending this Mass. All are welcome!

CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Time to celebrate the birth of Jesus! Students will enjoy their Christmas parties sponsored by the Homeroom Moms and their helpers!

SPN CHORUS CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Please join us in the church at 6 PM to enjoy the delightful sounds of our school chorus. This event will definitely put you in the Christmas spirit!







Sept 11, Oct 16, Dec 18, Mar 19, May 14 11 AM to 11 PM

SPN earns 20% back when you use the code DINE2DONATE for online orders or by showing the flyer in the restaurant.

> 996 Corporate Boulevard Linthicum, MD 21090











SPN CHORUS Christmas Concert December 19 at 6 PM

Please join us in the SPN Church for the annual SPN Chorus Christmas Concert! We are sure this will put you in the Christmas spirit! Cost is FREE!





SPN SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT DATE: DECEMBER 20 PLACE: CHURCH TIME: 8:30 AM

Please join us for a fun-filled morning of Christmas songs performed by our students The concert will start with a performance from our school band followed by songs from each class and our school chorus!

DECEMBER 20

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT at 8:30 AM

We will host our annual School Christmas Concert. The SPN Band will be performing as well as all classes! *Every student will be participating*!

Please plan on attending this event! You don't want to miss it! Everyone should be seated by 8:25 AM in the church. Students should be dressed in nice Christmas/Church attire for this event. Get ready to be entertained!

Students will be dismissed from their classrooms after the concert. School dismissal is at 11 AM on concert day!





DECEMBER 23-JANUARY 1

NO SCHOOL - Enjoy your Christmas break!

School resumes on Thursday, January 2, 2025!



Prayer of Christmas Past, Present, and Future

Gracious God, We turn to you in wonder and praise as we celebrate Christmas.

Remind us during this sacred season of our collective story. May our roots extend deep into the soil of faith and spread outwards to share the Good News of Christ's coming.

Focus our attention so that we remain attuned to the sights, sounds, and sensations of the season. May the presence of Christ be at the forefront of our thoughts and actions as we enact each holiday ritual.

Fill us with hope in the continuous birthing of Christ in our world. May we never lose sight of the promise of the Kingdom of peace and compassion that is both present and yet to be.

With gratitude in our hearts, we pray. Amen. LORD, you are my God; • I will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness you have done wonderful things, • things planned long ago.

Isaiah 25:1 (NIV)





CHRISTMAS (Holy Day of Obligation)



December 24	St. Philip Neri St. Clement
December 25	St. Philip Neri St. Clement

"Christ"-"Mass"...Celebrate the birth of Christ at Mass this holiday season. Join us in preparation during the Advent season then stay with us during the year. Welcome Jesus into your life. Let Him guide you through difficult times and celebrate with you during happy times. When you allow him to come into your life and to take control, He truly opens paths for everyone.

3:30 PM,	5:30 PM	and 11	PM
4 PM (Eng	lish), and	1 6 PM ((Spanish)

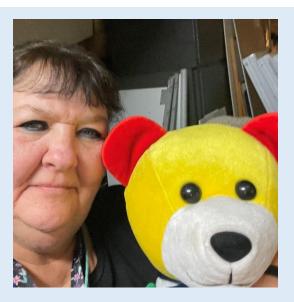
10 AM 8 AM (Spanish) and 10 AM (English)



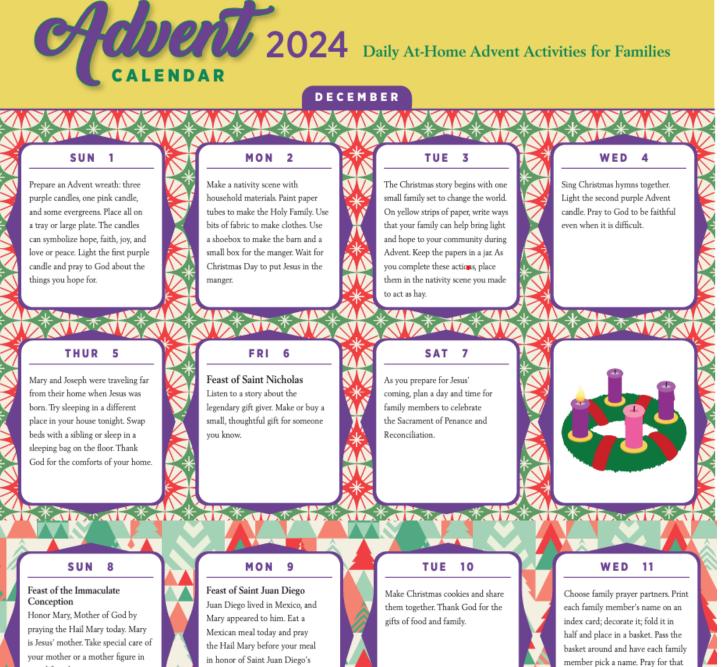
Our classes take turns meeting with Father Rich on Wednesday afternoons. Students are given the opportunity to ask questions and have discussions with Father about our faith. Thanks, Fr. Rich, for spending time with our students.

Congratulations to one of our staff members on winning the SPN Jester Spirit Award. Throughout the month we honor a different faculty or staff member for being awesome!

Congratulations to Mrs. Sue Roberts and Mr. John Maranto



WAY TO BE AWESOME, MRS. SUE and MR. MARANTO



THUR 12

vour life today.

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Read the story of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Sing a favorite hymn that honors Mary.

FRI 13

devotion to Mary.

On Christmas Day, children may receive new gifts and new toys. Go through the toys you have and donate ones that you have outgrown to a local charity.

14 SAT

person during Advent.

Gather together for a meal and begin with a blessing. Make a plan to donate a meal to a person or family in need in your community.



Merry Christmas from our SPN Staff to our SPN School Families!



A Christmas Letter from Jesus

When you look for me at Christmas. You won't need a special star. I'm no longer just in Bethlehem I'm right here where you are. You may not be aware of me amid the celebrations. You'll have to look beyond the stores. and all the decorations. But if you take a moment from your list of things to do. To close your eyes and say a prayer, I'm waiting here for you You're the one I want to be with You're the reason that I came! And you'll find me in the stillness Where I'm whispering your name.

You want to put the "Christ" back in Christmas Feed the hungry, comfort the afflicted love the outcast

afflicted, love the outcast, forgive the wrongdoer, inspire the hopeless





Child Nutrition Program/St. Philip Neri School			December 2024 Lunch Menu		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Chicken Patty Sandwich Vegetarian Beans Carrots Fruit	3 Teriyaki Meatballs Tostito Chips Sunshine Carrots Fresh Carrots Fruit	4 Chicken Quesadilla Salsa Cup and Sour Cream Green Beans Carrots Fruit	5 Taco in a Bag Salsa and Sour Cream Corn Carrot Sticks Fruit	6 Cheese Pizza Broccoli w/Ranch Fresh Carrots Fruit	
Popcorn Chicken Fritos Baked Beans Fresh Carrots Fruit	10 Meatballs in Marinara Sauce Dinner Roll Broccoli w/Ranch Fresh Carrots Fruit	11 Strawberry Banana Yogurt Mozzarella Cheese Stick Cinnamon Loaf Cake Carrot Coins w/Ranch Fruit	12 Tuna Salad Sandwich Celery Sticks w/Ranch Fresh Carrots Fruit	13 Santa's Secret Shop No School Lunch Served	
6 No School Lunch Served Bring A Lunch From Home	17 Chicken Tenders Tostito Rounds Vegetarian Beans Fresh Carrots Fruit	18 Breaded Mozzarella Cheese Sticks w/Marinara Cup Celery Sticks w/Ranch Fresh Carrots Fruit	19 Strawberry Banana Yogurt Smoothie Mozzarella String Cheese Stick Broccoli Florets w/Ranch Muffin Fresh Carrots Apple Slices		
3 School Closed	24 School Closed	25 _ Merry Christmas	26 Schools Closed	27 School Closed	
o School Closed	31 Happy New Year	January 1 Schools Closed	January 2 SCHOOL REOPENS Chicken Patty Sandwich	January 3 Mozzarella Cheese Stick:	
			Baked Beans Fruit	Fresh Carrots w/Ranch Fruit	

Student's may take 3 out of the 5 meal components Required to take a FRUIT and/or VEGETABLE 1% White Milk or Non-Fat Chocolate Milk <u>Offered Daily</u>: Milk: 1% White, NF Chocolate Fresh Fruit & Vegetables may include: apples, oranges, bananas, seasonal fruits, carrots, celery, broccoli, cauliflower, tomatoes, side salads & seasonal veggies

Menu subject to change without notice.

St. Philip Neri School - December 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Ist Sunday of Advent	2 CHORUS 3-4:30pm Drama Jr. 3-4:30	3 HSA Out of Uniform Day #3 Used Uniform Exchange 3-5pm The Wizard of Oz Rehearsal 3-4:30pm	4 School Store 7:45am-8:05am High School Placement Test (Grade 8 Only) Robotics 3-4:30pm Hiking Club Group 1 Hike	5 School Store 7:45am-8:05am School Mass 9am (All Grades) Honor Roll Assembly Italia's Corner Spirit Night 4-8:30pm The Wizard of Oz Richearsal 3-4:30pm	6 Parents Night Out Sponsored by Girl Scouts 6-9pm	7
8 2nd Sunday of Advent WOUTH MASS 5:00 p.m. Christmas Tree Lighting 6pm Linthicum Veterans Memorial	9 CHORUS 3-4:30pm Drama Jr. 3-4:30	10 The Wizard of Oz Retrearsal 3-4:30pm	11 School Store 7:45am-8:05am Robotics 3-4:30pm Volleyball Club (Middle School) 3:15-4:15pm Hiking Club Group 2 Hike Panda Express Spirit Night 9:30am-11:30pm	12 School Store 7:45am-8:05am School Mass 9am (PK - Grade 3) Setup for SSW NJHS Meet 3:15-4pm (pack brown bag lunches) The Wizard of Oz Christmas Party	13 No Hot Lunch Brown Bag Lunches for the Hungry Santa's Secret Workshop Wear red/green/ Christmas colors	14
15 3rd Sunday of Advent St. Nicholas 9-12:30	16 CHORUS 3-4:30pm Drama Jr. 3-4:30 Christmas Party	17 <i>The Wizard of Oz</i> NO REHEARSAL	18 School Store 7:45am-8:05am House Activity & Color Day (wear house color w/ gym sweatpants) NO Robotics Primanti Bros. Spirit Night 11am-11pm	19 School Store 7:45am-8:05am School Mass 9am (Grades 4 -8) Ugly Sweater Day! Class Christmas Parties The Wizard of Oz NO REHEARSAL Chorus Christmas Concert 6:00pm	20 School Christmas Concert 8:30 AM 11:00 EARLY DISMISSAL	21
22 4th Sunday of Advent	23 Sch	24 pol Closed for	25 Christmas Bro	26 eak 12/21/24 - 1	27 1/ 1/25	28
29 Sc	30 hool Closed fo	31 Second Second	1 WELCOME 2025! Happy New eak ^{Year!}	2 BACK TO SCHOOL School Mass 9am (All Grades) Epiphany Mass Italia's Corner Spirit Night 4-8:30pm	3 Parents Night Out Sponsored by Girl Scouts 6-9pm	4

SPN ENROLLMENT FOR 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR



REGISTRATION FEES: November 1- December 1, 2024 The registration fee is \$100. The fee will increase to \$200 on December 2, 2024.

Our deadline for returning families is JANUARY 1. Look for email from Ms. Amy Sewell on OCTOBER 29. TIME TO SIGN UP TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT!

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE AT ST. PHILIP NERI SCHOOL FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

Financial assistance is available from several sources:

- 1) Archdiocese of Baltimore (AOB)
- 2) St. Philip Neri Parish
- 3) St. Philip Neri School
- 4) Applicant's Parish



Anyone requesting financial aid from the AOB, SPN Parish or School:

Families **must complete the FACTS Financial Aid Application** found at the link below. A **NEW** application must be submitted every year if you would like to be considered for aid. This application must be completed and all required documentation submitted **by February 28**, 2025, to be eligible for any AOB, School, or Parish assistance. The cost to complete this application is \$35. Here is the SPN direct link: <u>https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3QGNP</u>

Log into your account or choose "New Account" to create your account and begin the application process. Questions regarding the application process can be directed to FACTS at <u>866-441-4637</u>.

Please note that FACTS **only** processes the applications. The decisions for granting or denying requests for assistance are made separately by: The Archdiocese of Baltimore, St. Philip Neri Parish, and St. Philip Neri School. These decisions are made during the March-April time frame. Applicants will receive a response in May.

ALL TUITION ASSISTANCE AWARDS ARE CONTINGENT UPON SUBMISSION OF A COMPLETED FACTS APPLICATION AND SUBMISSION OF PROPER DOCUMENTATION. ALL APPLICATIONS MUST HAVE A "VERIFIED" STATUS BEFORE ANY ASSISTANCE IS GRANTED.

Anyone requesting financial aid from their parish:

Please contact your parish (other than SPN) directly and ask if they offer any financial aid.

Please give to the 2024-2025 Annual Fund!

Each family will receive our Annual Fund letter depicting events that happened in the 2023-2024 school year along with a list of those who donated to our Annual Fund last year.

We would love to add your name to next year's Annual Fund letter. Would you consider donating to the school?

Checks can be made payable to "St. Philip Neri School" and sent into the school office. You can also donate online at the link below. Please be sure to include how you would like your name to appear in next year's Annual Fund letter.

Thanks in advance for your support!

https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/stphilipneri/onlinegiving

WELCOME TO THE SEASON OF ADVENT

We pray that this season will be filled with wonder and awe as we await the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ! We have been blessed with so many "riches," and this season is a wonderful time to reflect on these blessings that God has bestowed upon us.

Each year we continue to do enhancements and advancements to our technology and to our facility, which have been made possible by your generous giving of time as well as money to our school community. We know you have been asked for so many things already this year, and in continuing to strive to meet the needs of our school family, we are asking you once again for your assistance.



Please prayerfully consider donating – of any amount – to our Annual Fund Appeal so that we may continue our forward progress in making St. Philip Neri School the place where your child's soul, mind and body are nourished. We are grateful, and we thank you, for your continued generous support.

Have a blessed Advent season! Mrs. Sue Wenzlick Development Director <u>swenzlick@spnmd.org</u> AN ADVENT BLESSING: Dear God, we journey with you to Bethlehem's stable and a newborn King, ears attuned to the song of angels, eyes alert for Bethlehem's star. Forgive us if on our journey we are distracted by the tempting offers of this world. Keep our hearts aflame with the hope of Christmas and the promise of a Savior. Amen.

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Cor 9:7

TUITION ASSISTANCE RAFFLE WINNERS

OCTOBER

10/02	Cheryl Priller	\$100
10/02	Jeffrey Glover	\$100
10/05	Charlene Despasquale	\$100
10/06	Bonnie Sears	\$50
10/10	Florence McCloskey	\$100
10/11	Beverly Smith	\$100
10/12	Joanne Parks	\$50
10/15	Debbie Kwiatkowski	\$50
10/16	Betty Kern	\$100
10/18	Luke Glatfelter	\$50
10/19	Beverly Smith	\$100
10/21	David Manning	\$50
10/22	Joe Ross	\$100
10/23	Ron Wisniewski	\$100
10/25	Joanne Vascaro	\$100
10/29	Darlene Cole	\$50



WE ARE LOOKING FOR BUYERS AND SELLERS!

Tickets are sold every month for \$5/ticket.

The ticket is good for the entire month, so you have 30-31 days/chances to win either \$100 or \$50! We have two sets of numbers (000-999) so there could be two winners each day! To get your tickets, or if you need more information, please contact Mrs. Katie Spielman at 410-859-1212 or email her at kspielman@spnmd.org.

Christmas Food Distribution Needs

Our Christmas Food Distribution is scheduled for Thursday, December 18th. We are expecting more than 120 families to come to us seeking groceries. At this time, we are experiencing a critical shortage going into the holiday season.

Please consider donating the following items in regular sizes:

Spaghetti Sauce Canned Chicken Canned Corn Macaroni & Cheese Scalloped Potatoes Rice a Roni / Rice Sides Ravioli (Pop-top Cans Only) Baked Beans Cereal Pancake Mix & Syrup Peanut Butter & Jelly Chewy Granola Bars

Items we DO NOT need because they are supplied in bulk from the Anne Arundel County Food Bank for Thanksgiving:

> Stuffing Mashed Potatoes White Rice Green Beans Cranberry Sauce Gravy Thank you always for your generous donations

The SPN Parish Outreach Program is collecting the Christmas presents for children!

CHRISTMAS

Adopt a Child for Christmas Buy a Christmas present!

Christmas Food Distribution Needs
 See needs listed to the left!

Questions? Please contact Donna Scott at <u>dscott@spnmd.orq</u>.

Home and School Association News DECEMBER 2024

For general information on HSA-sponsored events, activities, and committees visit:

https://spnmd.org/home-school-assocation/

To contact the HSA, please email <u>SPNHSAMD@gmail.com</u>

Out-Of-Uniform Days - December 3

The HSA is sponsoring three out-of-uniform days with proceeds going towards HSAsponsored events. This is Day 3 of 3 out-of-uniform days. Cost is \$10 for all three days paid in advance or \$5 each day of. The online payment link for the Out-of-Uniform Days: <u>https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/stphilipneri/hsaout-of-uniform</u>

SANTA'S SECRET WORKSHOP - December 13

More information about this workshop is included in this newsletter! The shop will be open from 3-5 PM for those children needing extra time shopping! This is also a time that parents can shop as well!

Tuition Raffle

Win a year of FREE tuition for the 2025-2026 school year! OR \$2500 in cash! Drawing date will be in May 2025. Flyer on Page 22. To purchase tickets online, please visit: <u>https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/stphilipneri/hsatuition</u>

TRIMESTER 2 HOUSE SYSTEMS SERVICE PROJECT

With the holidays quickly approaching, we are excited to share that our House System's T2 Service Project has officially begun!

Each house has been paired with a "Christmas Family" in need. This project is a wonderful opportunity for us to live out our Catholic mission of service, compassion, and generosity. Students are encouraged to bring their creativity and hearts of service to this mission, making it a truly memorable experience for everyone involved. Together, we can make a real difference in the lives of these families during this blessed season.

Here's how you can help:

- "Family Needs " have been placed in each House's Google Classroom and you should have also received an email on November 21 with the "Family Needs" for your child's house.
- Items may be brought to school beginning on Monday, December 2nd
- All items should be wrapped and tagged with the child's name
- All items are due in to school on or before December 9th!

Thank you for your ongoing support of our school community as we come together and fill this season with joy and blessings for those in need.

Wishing you a season filled with peace, love, and light.

Knights of Columbus 'Keep Christ in Christmas' Poster Contest



We would like to invite your school/organization to take part in the Knights of Columbus "Keep Christ In Christmas" poster contest for all boys and girls from ages 5 through 14. By engaging the talents of our young people, we hope they will come to a deeper understanding of the true meaning of Christmas, and that their artwork will bring others to remember Christ in Christmas.

The contest will be conducted locally with winning entries advancing through district/regional and state competitions to the international level. The winning entries will serve as the basis for a series of international "Keep Christ in Christmas" posters, with creative credit going to the artists.

The Knights of Columbus is one of the country's largest charitable organizations, with members donating more than Si70 million to charitable and benevolent causes and 70.5 million volunteer hours last year. Among the many public services Knights provide is their long-standing "Keep Christ in Christmas" program, which features faith-based local events and public service announcements.

Judging & Awards

RULES

- Poster must reflect the theme of Keep Christ in Christmas.
- Each poster should be the original work (including concept, layout, slogan and any visual images) of a single person.
- Poster must be 11X17 inches in size. If pastels, chaik or charcoal are used the poster must be laminated or covered with clear plastic.
- Each poster must be submitted with a Knights of Columbus "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest entry form make sure your council number is included. The name and age of the entrant should be printed on the reverse side of the poster in case the poster and entry form get separated.

JUDGING

Judging teams should be composed of students, Knights, teachers, administrators, council Chaplain, pastor, etc. A 100-point scoring system will be used to determine the winners.

Slogan - 30 Points:

How clearly is the theme presented? Visuals — 30 Points:

How well do the visuals convey the message?

Overall Impact - 40 points:

How effective was the poster in capturing your attention and causing you to reflect on the topic at hand?

TOPICS/CATEGORIES

Each poster must reflect the Keep Christ in Christmas theme with a visual image. There is no limit to the number of posters each contestant may submit.

ELIGIBILITY

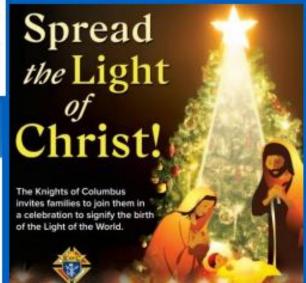
The Knights of Columbus "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest is open to all young people between the ages of 5 and 14. Age eligibly is determined by the age of the contestant as of November 1.

AGE GROUPS

Contest entrants compete in one of three age groups — ages 5 through 7, ages 8 through 10, and 11 through 14. Some schools may have different age brackets for their elementary and middle schools. In these cases it may be appropriate to group students by grade rather than age. Sponsoring councils should use their own judgment in deciding how to group participants. Each local, district, regional or state competition may have up to 6 winning entries — a first and second place winner in each age group.

CONTEST LEVELS

The "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest can consist of up to five levels of competition: council, district, regional, state and international. Below is a description of each to help you understand the progression of the program.



Deter December 1, 2024 Deadline, Late entry up to Dec 6.

Time: 6-7p.m.

Place: St. Philip Neri Parish Hall

For Additional Information: GK Chris Figueroa ofiggy21@yahoo.com

Caballeros de Colón Celebra a Cristo en la Navidad

Concurso de carteles

Fecha de entrega: December 1, 2024, Late entry Dec. 6, 2024

Patrocinador: St Philip Nerl Council #14612

Contacto: GK Christopher Figueroa cfiggy21@yahoo.com

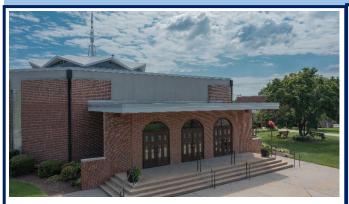




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PARISH EVENTS AND INFORMATION http://www.stclementandstphilipneripastorate.org/



SPN PARISH MASS SCHEDULE WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Mass at 5 PM Sunday Masses at 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11:30 AM

DAILY MASS

Thursday at 9:00 AM Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri at 6:30 PM

St. Philip Neri Food Pantry and Outreach Needs

We are in critical need of the following staple items:

Spaghetti SauceToilet PaperRavioli (Pop-to Cans Only)CandyCanned Chicken & TunaCerealCanned Green BeansMacaroni & CheeseChewy Granola BarsBoxed PastaPancake Mix & SyrupPeanut Butter/Cheese CrackersAny sweet or salty snacks, chips, & cookies

If you have questions about the Food Pantry, please contact Donna Scott at <u>dscott@spnmd.org</u>.

SPN is NOT accepting clothing at this time. Please do not drop off any clothing. We will only accept NEW SOCKS and UNDERWEAR for both men and women.

SPN's MOM'S GROUP

Meets 2nd Monday of the Month at 7:15 PM. For more information, contact Elizabeth at <u>eadalasio@gmail.com</u>.

O.C.I.A. CLASSES - Wednesdays at 7:15 PM If you are interested in joining the Catholic Church, pleasecontact Tim Feeney at <u>tfeeney@spnmd.org</u>.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES For more information, contact Hunter at <u>hluers@spnmd.org</u>.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - Walking with a Purpose - Wednesdays at 9:30 AM and 7:15 PM Contact call the parish office at 410-859-0571 or contact Theresa with questions at theresaewaggoner@gmail.com.

GRIEF PEER-SUPPORT GROUP

Thursdays at 7 PM in the St. John Room. For more information, please call 443-889-2488 or email at <u>stphilipnerigriefsupport@junocom</u>.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

2nd Tuesday of the Month - Parents planning to have their child baptized should begin the baptism preparation process by contacting the SPN Parish Office at 410-859-0571.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Contact for Youth Ministry: Matteo Santi Amantini - <u>matteo.santi-amantini@archbalt.org</u> Contact for Young Adult Ministry: Catherine Tirschman at 443-764-7299.

MONTHLY PARENT NIGHT OUT

1st Friday of the month from 6-9 PM Baby sitting provided by the Girl Scouts at SPN. Contact Mary Ann to register at <u>rakak@aol.com</u>.





Top Prize ONE FULL YEAR OF TUITION* VALUED @ \$7,175

Or \$2,500 Cash Option



Drawing Date:

May 2025

@ St. Philip Neri School

ORDER TICKETS ONLINE @

>>>> forms.diamondmindinc.com/stphilipneri/HSATuition <<<

For more information, please email SPNHSAMD@gmail.com.

*Minimum of 400 tickets must be sold to award the St. Philip Neri Tuition prize, or top prize reverts to \$2,500 cash option. Tuition prize is transferrable and must be redeemed during the 2025/2026 school year. Winner is responsible for all taxes, please consult a tax professional.

> Sponsor & Proud Supporter: **TOMAS BROTHERS** Home Improvement TomasBrothers.com



BREAKFAST WITH ST. NICHOLAS

Sunday December 15th 9:00am - 1:00pm St. Philip Neri – Zorbach Hall

What's on the menu?

Buffet Style Breakfast of Pancakes, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Biscuits w/sausage gravy, cereal, and Fruit Juice, Milk, Coffee & Tea



Crafts for Children, Holiday Bake Sale, and a visit with Good ole St Nick!

\$12.00 Adults \$9.00 Children 4-12 3 and Under Free

(Proceeds to benefit Boy Scout Troop 447) Need Info? spntroop447@gmail.com



cut here and return the bottom portion to St. Philip Neri School Office to reserve your spot at the Breakfast with St. Nicholas. Please place in an envelope marked "BREAKFAST WITH ST. NICHOLAS" Checks made payable to "TROOP 447". Pick up tickets at the door.

Yes, I would love to attend Breakfast with St. Nicholas. I would like the following tickets:

 Adult Ticket(s) at \$12.00
Children (ages 4 12) Ticket(s)

- Children (ages 4-12) Ticket(s) at \$9.00
 - 3 and Under Tickets at NO CHARGE

NAME:	

Total Enclosed: CHILD's NAME:

HOMEROOM:



IT MAKES A LOT OF CENTS FUNDRAISING WITH PRIMANTI BROS. **St Philip Neri School Spirit Nights 24-25** Sept. 11, Oct. 16, Dec. 18, Mar. 19, May 14. OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED **Linthicum Heights** 996 Corporate Blvd 11:00 am to 11:00 pm Linthicum Heights, MD, 21090 Order online here and use code **DINE2DONATE** or show this flyer in the restaurant. PRIMANTI BROS.

For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$250 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

DECEMBER Youth Mass COME AND CELEBRATE WITH US

CAROLING

December 8th

5PM - Mass / 6PM Christmas Party in the gym 6.30 PM Christmas Caroling



On Friday, December 13, the parish hall at St. Philip Neri will be converted into a Christmas wonderland for our community and parish! Boxes filled with great gifts have been coming in daily! Santa's Secret Workshop provides the opportunity for children time to shop for nice, inexpensive gifts for their loved ones. The cost of the gifts ranges from \$1 to \$15 and will be wrapped by Santa's little helpers.

The workshop will be open from 3-5 PM. There is no cost to enter the workshop! Please feel free to give me a call or email (preferred) if you have any questions! Hope to see you on December 13!

Thanks and God bless, Sue Wenzlick Development Director <u>swenzlick@spnmd.org</u> 410-859-1212 ext. 2107











Fundraiser for

St Philip Neri School HSA

20% of event sales will be donated

School PTA

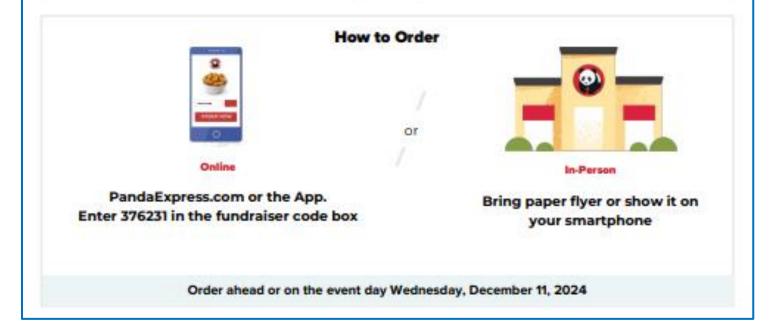
When

Wednesday, December 11, 2024 Time: 9:30 AM to 11:30 PM



Where

Panda Express located at: 6620-a Ritchie Hwy Glen Burnie MD 21061 (410) 702 - 7133



ganta's Secret Workshop

Friday, December 13, 2024



HELPFUL TIPS FOR THIS EVENT

EACH STUDENT SHOULD BRING:

- A list of names of family and friends to buy gifts for Christmas. 0
- A big shopping bag with handles to carry all wrapped gifts. 0 Please label shopping bags!
- Money please try to send in ones, fives or tens if you can! 0 We have many wonderful buys ranging from \$1 to \$15!
- Your Merriest Christmas Attitude! \odot

SSW Schedule for Friday, December 13, 2024

SHOP TIME	WRAP TIME
8:30 - 9:00	9:00 - 9:30
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2:30 - 3:00	
3:00-5:00 PM	3:00-5:00 PM

Classes 8A & 8B 7A & 7B 6A & 6B KA/KB with 8A/8B Buddies Pre-KA/Pre-KB with 7A/7B Buddies 3A/3B/2A Lunch for Sellers Lunch for Wrappers 4A/4B 5A/5B 1A/1B/2B Everyone help with wrapping! Restock/Cleanup

5:00-6:00 PM

00-5:00 PM

After School and Parish Shopping Time CLEANUP



St. Philip Neri School - Spirit Nights 2024-2025



Italia's Corner Cafe Burwood Village Center 7089 Baltimore Annapolis Blvd., Suite F Glen Burnie, MD 21061

1st Thursday of the month 4:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Thurs., Sept. 5 Thurs., Oct. 3 Thurs., Nov. 7 Thurs., Dec. 5 Thurs., Jan. 2 Thurs., Feb. 6 Thurs., Mar. 6 Thurs., Mar. 3 Thurs., May 1 Thurs., June 5 Thurs., July 3 Thurs., Aug 7

Please mention SPN when you order for dine-in or carry-out. The Italia's Corner cashier will put all receipts in a basket; SPN will earn 10% back on the total.



Restaurant & Bar 996 Corporate Boulevard Linthicum, MD 21090

All Day Long 11:00 am - 11:00 pm Wed., Sept. 11 Wed., Oct. 16 Wed., Dec. 18 Wed., Mar. 19

Wed., May. 14

SPN earns 20% back when you use the code DINE2DONATE for online orders or by showing the FLYER in the restaurant.



Bubba's 33 7305 Ritchie Highway Glen Burnie, MD 21061

All Day Long 11:00 am - 11:00 pm

Tue., Sept. 17 Tue., Nov. 12 Tue., Feb. 11 Tue., Apr. 15

Please show the <u>fundraiser flyer</u> to your server or mention the fundraiser. SPN will earn 10% back on the food sales. Good for dine-in or carry-out



Chick-fil-A Centre at Glen Burnie 6709 Ritchie Highway Glen Burnie, MD 21061

4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Mon., Sept. 23 Mon., Nov. 18 Mon., Jan. 13 Mon., Apr. 7

Mention our school to the cashier inside or at the drive-thru to earn 15% of the total for SPN. Mobile orders do not count toward the fundraiser.



Chipotle 920 Cromwell Park Dr Ste 101 Glen Burnie, MD 21061

4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Tues., Oct. 8

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE AB48F78

OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN THE RESTAURANT for SPN to earn 25% of your order total.



Panda Express 6620-A Ritchie Hwy, Glen Burnie, MD 21061

All Day Long 9:30 am - 11:30 pm

Wed., Oct. 23 Code 376230

Wed., Dec. 11 Code 376231

Wed., Jan. 29 Code 376232

Order online and enter the fundraiser code listed above OR show the flyer in the restaurant for SPN to earn 20% of your order total.