



Nov. 27, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you to everyone who donated to our Student Council's Thanksgiving Food Drive to help local families in need through SMILE Food Pantry. Participating in service projects encourages students to reflect on their own blessings and cultivate a spirit of thankfulness. They also see how faith can be put into action through service, and strengthens our mission as a community of faith, learning, and service.

We wish all our school families a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Grace and Peace,

*Mrs. Jennifer Thompson*  
Principal



## TURKEY TROT

Many thanks to Katie Wingenter for organizing the Turkey Trot, to Mrs. Grater for running it, to Rebecca Mathe for organizing hot chocolate and cookies, and to our volunteers who helped on the boardwalk. A huge thank you to all our generous sponsors! We are very grateful for all the donations we received, which total nearly \$7,000. If we reach our goal of \$10,000, we will have free Tag Days during the week of Dec. 16-20.



## NEWS & REMINDERS

**BAZAAR:** HSA's Christmas Bazaar last Saturday was a huge success and raised over \$11,000 for our school! Thank you to organizers Jessica Klasko and Katie Wingenter, Yard Sale organizer Ann Cannady, Bake Sale Coordinator Terri Ihnacik, and to all our volunteers who helped and donated baked goods.

**SANTA SHOP:** The Santa Shop is **Dec. 2-4** for students to shop for Christmas gifts. **Shopping lists should be brought to school on Dec. 2, and payment for gifts must be made IN ADVANCE through the [online store](#).**

**TEACHERS LOUNGE:** If you would like to donate food/drinks for the Teachers Lounge, please sign up [here](#) and record donations in Track It Forward for volunteer hours (every \$30 = 1 hour).

**ADVENT CHARITIES:** Each class is sponsoring a charity during Advent. Teachers have sent info on donations and deadlines.

**CHEFS NEEDED:** We need chefs to make their chilis at the Chili Cook-Off on **Fri, Dec. 7**. Please visit the [Chili Cook-Off page](#) for more info and to register.

**CHRISTMAS PROGRAM:** Our Christmas Program is **Fri, Dec. 13 at 6:30pm** in the Providence Room. All students are required to attend.

**SOLOMONS CHRISTMAS WALK:** Students in grades 4-8 are invited to sing in the Historic Church at the Solomons Christmas Walk on **Sat, Dec. 14**.

**CHRISTMAS BREAK:** **Fri, Dec. 20** is a 12:30pm dismissal here is no school **Dec. 23-Jan. 3** for Christmas Break.

**CHRISTMAS PAGEANT:** OLSS Parish is having a Children's Christmas Pageant at 3:30pm on Christmas Eve for children 5+. Please see [here](#) for info.

**ADW TUITION ASSISTANCE:** ADW Tuition Assistance for the 2025-2026 school year is accepting applications through 2/21/25. **You must apply for ADW assistance first to be considered for OLSS tuition assistance.** See [here](#) for more info and to apply.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR

# Christmas

## DELIGHT

**SATURDAY, DEC. 7**  
**5-8PM**

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL  
90 ALEXANDER LN, SOLOMONS

LIVE MUSIC  
CHILI COOK-OFF  
BEER & WINE TASTING  
KIDS' ACTIVITIES  
SPECIAL GUESTS: SANTA & MRS. CLAUS

Volunteers are needed for this event; please sign up through Track It Forward [here](#). Please sign up to donate baked goods [here](#).

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### DECEMBER

- 🎄 **Dec. 2-3-4:** Santa Shop
- 🎄 **Dec. 7:** Christmas Delight / Chili Cook-Off
- 🎄 **Dec. 13, 6:30pm:** Christmas Program
- 🎄 **Dec. 14:** Solomons Christmas Walk
- 🎄 **Dec. 17:** Middle School Progressive Dinner
- 🎄 **Dec. 20:** 12:30pm Dismissal
- 🎄 **Dec. 20-Jan. 3:** No School - Christmas Break