



### IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- Friday, October 20 - Filipino American History Month Cultural Day - Out-of-Uniform Day! Wear a shirt to represent your heritage and show your pride!
- Sunday, October 22 - PFGA Family Mass
- Wednesday, October 25 - Parents' Club Meeting
- Friday, October 27 - Photos for Day of the Dead Altar (Ofrenda) Due
- Monday, October 30 - School Portrait Retake Day
- Tuesday, October 31 - Halloween! Out-of-Uniform Day
- Wednesday, November 1 - First Day of American Indian Heritage Month
- Wednesday, November 1 - All Saints Day
- Thursday, November 2 - All Souls Day/Día de los Muertos
- Sunday, November 5 - Daylight Saving Time Ends - Fall Back
- Thursday, November 9 - Parent Teacher Conferences 11:30am Dismissal
- Friday, November 10 - No School, Faculty Professional Development
- Saturday, November 11 - Veterans Day



[PFGA WEBSITE](#) - Please visit the school website for the full calendar and latest news.

## SCHOOL UPDATES AND REMINDERS

### PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Conferences are scheduled for Thursday, November 9. This is a half-day of school with a dismissal at 11:30am. EDP will be available from 11:30am-6:00pm. The conference sign up link will be sent out next week.

### ATTENTION PARENTS - PLEASE LABEL ITEMS

Please label your child's belongings (uniforms, school bags, lunch boxes/bags, water bottles, coats, hats, etc). It makes it easier to return items from our lost and found. Thank you!



## OUT-OF-UNIFORM DAY TOMORROW!

As part of our Filipino American Heritage Month celebration, students are invited to wear a shirt representing their country of origin.

## HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

If you have a student in junior high, it's time to start looking at high schools! We will be sharing information that we get but please be sure to visit our [website](#) for high school resources to plan your open house visits and shadow days.

Mark your calendar: The Catholic High School entrance exam is Saturday, December 2.

St. Patrick High School [Shadow Day Registration](#) and the next [Open House](#) is November 2.

HFS Chicago Scholars (Due November 15) [application](#).

Trinity High School [Upcoming Events](#)

Resurrection College Prep [Shadow Days](#)

**Chicago Public Schools** - be sure to create an account at [GoCPS](#) if you are planning to apply for a CPS high school. Please review [important deadline dates](#) for the application process. When applying, make sure to select PFGA from the drop-down menu, as there is another school with a similar name on the list.

[Vea esta información en español.](#)

JOIN US FOR THE 2023

## HFS OPEN HOUSE

Students and families are invited to learn more HFS and our application process as well meet with 25+ private high schools at our high school fair

**OCTOBER 19, 2023**  
6:00 - 7:30PM

INSTITUTO HEALTH SCIENCES  
CAREER ACADEMY  
2520 S Western Ave.

SIGN-UP HERE:  
[bit.ly/HFSOpenHouse2023](http://bit.ly/HFSOpenHouse2023)

**RESURRECTION COLLEGE PREP**  
7500 W. TALCOTT AVE.  
CHICAGO, IL 60631

PRIVATE TOURS  
MULTIPLE DAYS

8TH GRADE  
SHADOW DAYS

- OCTOBER 13
- OCTOBER 17
- OCTOBER 24
- NOVEMBER 6
- NOVEMBER 7
- NOVEMBER 9
- NOVEMBER 15
- NOVEMBER 28
- DECEMBER 1

ENTRANCE EXAM  
DECEMBER 2

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TRINITY  
HALLOWEEN THEMED  
**SCIENCE WORKSHOP**

Saturday, October 21 ~ 10AM - 12PM  
JOIN TRINITY'S SCIENCE FACULTY FOR A CHALLENGING AND SPOOKY SCIENCE WORKSHOP!

[www.trinityhs.org/scienceworkshop](http://www.trinityhs.org/scienceworkshop) *Hello Future!*

6143. W. IRVING PARK ROAD, CHICAGO, IL 60634

ADMISSION \$3  
VIP \$20  
BYW EVENTS EVERY WIKND

FRI AND SAT  
7PM-11PM  
SUNDAY DATES  
7PM-10PM

# THE CATACOMBS

GET TICKETS ONLINE @ [WWW.SCARYPOPCORN.COM](http://WWW.SCARYPOPCORN.COM)

F. 10.06.23	S. 10.14.23	F. 10.27.23
S. 10.07.23	F. 10.20.23	S. 10.28.23
F. 10.13.23	SU. 10.22.23	SU. 10.29.23

SAT. OCT. 14TH - NO SCARE/FAMILY FUN FEST! 10AM-2PM

## THE CATACOMBS IS NOW OPEN FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY!

There are 6 more nights of scary fun, with general admission tickets at \$13 each, and a VIP ticket (like a Fast Pass) for \$20 each. Group rates are available (\$10/person, minimum 10 people).

Go to [www.scarypopcorn.com](http://www.scarypopcorn.com) for more info.

PLEASE CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING. CONTACT JULIE AT [VOLUNTEERS@SCARYPOPCORN.COM!](mailto:VOLUNTEERS@SCARYPOPCORN.COM)



**The Catacombs Haunted House  
is in need of volunteers!!!**

This is a huge fundraiser that solely benefits PFGA!  
We can not make this fundraiser a success without you!!!  
Here's the help we still need for this weekend:

- \*Saturday, 10/21 (6:30pm - 11:30pm) - 7 people needed
- \*Sunday, 10/22 (6:30pm -10:30pm) - 10 people needed

\*\*\*You receive 5 service hours for each shift worked\*\*\*

Please consider signing up to help out

Please contact Julie at [volunteers@scarypopcorn.com](mailto:volunteers@scarypopcorn.com) with any questions or for more information.

*Many hands make for light work!!!*

## PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST RESULTS

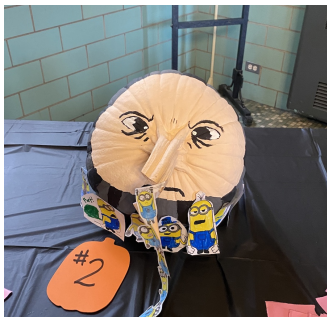


We got over 250 votes!  
Congratulations to all the entries.  
Great job. The winners will receive an ice cream party!

## AND THE WINNERS ARE...



1st Place - 2nd Grade



2nd Place - 6th Place



3rd Place - Kindergarten

**ATTENTION 1ST-8TH GRADERS!**



The Sullivan Chicago Studio of Performing Arts proudly presents

# Musical Theatre



**Pope Francis Global Academy 2023-2024 Season** 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade  
Thursdays, 3-4:15pm, November 16<sup>th</sup>-February 29<sup>th</sup> (no class 11/23, 12/14, 12/28, 1/4)  
\*Tech. Rehearsal: Tue., Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> (3:50pm); Performances: Fri., March 1<sup>st</sup> (7pm/3:30pm) & Sat., March 2<sup>nd</sup> (7pm/3:30pm)

Join us on a journey to discover, nurture, and explore MUSICAL THEATRE! Our sessions provide professional training in acting, singing, dancing, and more. Designed to equip participants with a working knowledge of musical theatre techniques and procedures both onstage and offstage, an emphasis is placed on a "triple threat" performance style (simultaneous acting, vocal, and dance skills), as well as production staging, management, construction, and design. Participants shall be encouraged to apply learned techniques and creative thinking in the experimentation, development, and performance of a production using music, costumes, props, and more!!

To enroll, please complete and return a registration form with payment (by cash or check made payable to SCSPA) to Pope Francis Global Academy's main office. Our 1st day/clinic, held on Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, will entail general theatre games and technique, and getting a feel for the style and commitment. It will also serve as a workshop based audition to test the students' abilities and potential show/roles. Register by Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> to receive our "Early-Bird" Rate! Alternatively, for flexibility in payment or exploration of interest, a 1-day trial or deposit + season add-on option is available:

**Payment Options**  
"Early Bird" Season Rate \$250 by Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
1-day clinic, November 16<sup>th</sup> only OR Season Deposit \$50 by Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
\*Full Season add on after attending 11/16 \$240 by Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>  
Season Rate, after November 14<sup>th</sup> \$275 at time of registration, after November 14<sup>th</sup>  
\*Season Volunteer Rate \*contact us to see how we can help each other!

We look forward to a wonderful season with you!!!

The Sullivan Chicago Studio of Performing Arts, LLC  
Offering training, consultation, and experience in theatre, music, and dance  
4804 N. Milwaukee Avenue Chicago, IL 60639  
www.the SCPA.com 773-754-8389 the SCPA@gmail.com  
Meg & Sean Sullivan, Directors

The 2023-2024 musical theatre program is open for registration! The session starts November 16 through February 29. Theatre is held on Thursdays after school from 3-4:15pm in the gym. Performances will take on March 1st and 2nd. The registration form was sent home today.

[CLICK HERE FOR REGISTRATION FORM](#)

[Vea esta información en español.](#)

## Día de los Muertos Ofrendas - Please send photos!



### Day of the Dead

The Day of the Dead (el Día de los Muertos) also referred as All Souls Day, is mainly a Mexican tradition where families welcome back the souls of their deceased relatives for a brief reunion. On November 2nd, it's believed that the border between the spirit world and the real world dissolve. During this brief period, the souls of the dead awaken and return to the living world to feast, drink, dance and play music with their loved ones. In turn, the living family members treat the deceased as honored guests in their celebrations, and leave the deceased's favorite foods and other offerings at gravesites or on the "ofrendas" built in their homes. Ofrendas can be decorated with candles, bright marigolds called "cempasuchil" and food like bread and fruit.

Our students have been learning about this special day and have been invited to bring a photo of a deceased loved one for the ofrendas we are making in school. If you would like to participate and are able to send a photo (framed - if possible), please label and send it by Friday, October 27 for the display.

Thank you!



[Vea esta información en español.](#)

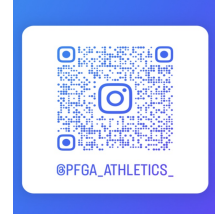
## ATHLETICS - WOLVES HIGHLIGHTS

### News

Follow PFGA Athletics on Instagram!



Click here  
[PFGA Athletics](#)



**Bitty Basketball** has started. Check out the [schedule](#).

### Girls Basketball

Thurs 10/19 @ St. Francis Borgia vs St. Ed's @ 7pm  
Wed. 10/25 @ QAS 7pm

**Boys Basketball** - Sign up forms have been sent home to 4th-8th grade.

## SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL



### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- **Catacombs Haunted House.** Sign up to volunteer [HERE](#).
- **Queen of Hearts.** Volunteer to sell tickets at the weekly Queen of Hearts drawing. Sign up [HERE](#).

Remember, you must be Virtus-trained and in compliance with all requirements. Please review the [Compliance Guidelines Chart](#).

## SCHOOL FUNDRAISERS



### Our October Monthly Raffle Drawing is Coming Up!

The second money raffle drawing is on Wednesday, October 25 at 2pm. Tune in on Facebook live to watch! Make sure you send in your ticket stubs by then. Good luck!

¡El 2do sorteo mensual es pronto! El sorteo de dinero es el miércoles 25 de octubre a las 2pm.  
¡Sintonice por Facebook en vivo para ver!  
Asegúrese de enviar los talones de sus boletos.  
¡Buena suerte!



Drawings to be held monthly from September 2023 - April 2024.  
You do not need to be present to win.  
All proceeds benefit PFGA.  
Thank you for your support!

1st Prize \$750 Cash (one winner monthly)/2nd Prize \$200 Cash (one winner monthly)/3rd Prize \$100 (one winner monthly).  
Win or lose, every ticket goes back into the drawing each month! \$10/ticket.

### QUEEN OF HEARTS RAFFLE IS OVER \$40K!

The pot is getting bigger! Don't miss your chance to win. Plus, you are

helping our school raise money for a much-needed playground!

Thank you for your support!




**Raise your fork to raising funds.**  
Nourishing our communities is an essential part of our mission at Noodles. And we make it so easy. Dine with us on the evening of your group's event and mention your organization when ordering. You can also order online or use our app:

- Log in to your Noodles Rewards account
- Place your order and enter offer code **GIVING25** at checkout.\*
- Not a member? Join Noodles Rewards today

ENTER CODE: GIVING25

November 1, 2023  
4-8 pm

**25%**  
of qualifying sales  
will directly benefit:  
Pope Francis Global  
Academy 8th Grade  
Class

Norridge  
4157 N Harlem Ave, Norridge, IL 60706



## 8TH GRADE FUNDRAISER

Join us for a Dine and Donate at Noodles & Company. Please help our 8th graders raise funds for their graduation events.

Wednesday, November 1 from 4-8pm at the Norridge location.

[Vea esta información en español.](#)



Hungry?  
Love pizza?  
Need a night off from cooking dinner?  
Looking for a delicious gift for a friend?  
Love your school and want to help support it?

If you answered YES to any of the questions above please consider supporting Pope Francis Global Academy by purchasing (and even selling) coupons good for frozen 9" deep dish pizza (cheese, spinach, sausage, or pepperoni) from participating Lou Malnati's stores.

Each coupon costs \$15 and the coupon is valid for 6 months at participating Lou Malnati's locations, including the ones at Irving/Avondale and Gunnison/Harlem!

Orders and payment are due Monday, October 30th.

### ORDERING OPTIONS

**PAPER FORM WITH CASH OR CHECK**  
To order with this paper order form, please include payment (Cash or Check) with the slip below in an envelope marked "Lou's Fundraiser". Make checks payable to Pope Francis Global Academy.



Questions? Please email Cathy Makani at [cmullan@utexas.edu](mailto:cmullan@utexas.edu)

**PAPER ORDER FORM FOR LOU MALNATI'S COUPONS** - Return to office by October 30th.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number/email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Grade level of your youngest child: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of coupons (\$15 per coupon): \_\_\_\_\_ Total payment included: \_\_\_\_\_

Look for coupons in your youngest child's folder in November.  
Thank you for supporting PFGA!

## LOU MALNATI'S FROZEN PIZZA COUPON FUNDRAISER IS BACK!

Don't forget to send your order forms by Monday, October 30!

This fundraiser is great for our school and is a great deal since the cost to buy these delicious frozen 9" pizzas in-store is up to about \$18! The coupons through the fundraiser are \$15 and we will make \$5 on each coupon we sell! Please encourage friends and family to buy some. The pizzas are delicious and well worth the money! Orders and payments are due on Monday, October 30. You can pay by check or cash with the paper order form that went home. Please email Cathy Makani at [cmullan@utexas.edu](mailto:cmullan@utexas.edu)

## NEW FUNDRAISER - FOOTBALL MANIA

Hello PFGA Families,



So far it's been a great school year and as a new addition from St. Bart's I appreciate being welcomed into all the PFGA activities and sports!

Speaking of sports, an awesome FUNdraiser we did at St. Bart's was called FootballMania and we wanted to share it with everyone here at PFGA! The Bears are off to a terrible start to the season but with FootballMania

there's still a way to be happy every week. The sweepstake begins on November 2, 2023.

### HOW THE SWEEPSTAKES WORKS

- Each game card contains 3 random football teams in each of the last 10 weeks of the pro football season
- Add up the points scored by your 3 teams each week • If your total score is in the top 25, you win money!
- The 5 lowest scoring game cards also win • 30 total prizes paid out each of the 10 weeks!
- Two grand prizes awarded at the end of the season

### HOW TO FOLLOW ALONG AND GET RESULTS

- Track your results each week on the CharityMania website at [www.CharityMania.com](http://www.CharityMania.com)
- Download the FootballMania iPhone App to see results on your phone
- You will be contacted by the school if you win

### WHAT YOU GET FOR \$20

- The purchaser gets access to music and book downloads from up-and-coming artists from around the country by CharityStudio.
- With each purchase, you get the promotional FootballMania sweepstakes game card for free
- Chance to win \$25 - \$400 weekly and a chance at the end of the season to win between \$200 - \$1000

Please click on the link below and follow the directions to get started and to customize your child's own fundraising webpage: <https://www.charitymania.com/register/GD07D>

As a parent, make sure to log in using your child's first and last name when prompted and your email address as the contact email address. The CharityMania website will show me when your page is created and I will be able to track the progress of your online sales. Because this is so easy, please make sure you have your page created by **10/30/2023**. Tickets can be sold through **11/25/23**.

Thanks!

Dominic Maino

[dmaino@stbartholomew.net](mailto:dmaino@stbartholomew.net)

## PARENTS' CLUB NEWS

**HOWL AT THE MOON**  
SILENT AUCTION & DINNER  
Saturday, November 18, 2023  
Doors open at 6 pm  
POPE FRANCIS GLOBAL ACADEMY  
6143 W. Irving Park Road  
(please use the main entrance)

**\$50 per ticket**

Dinner, DJ, dancing, silent auction, raffles, desserts, soft drinks & coffee are included.  
Purchase your tickets at [www.pfgacademy.org](http://www.pfgacademy.org)  
Starting October 1st

Tickets are on sale now!

[Howl2023](#)

**DINE Out**

Delicious Tacos, Amazing Margaritas, and Good Times!

**10% OF ALL SALES W/ THIS FLYER**

Wednesday, November 15  
Tata's Taco's 4929 W Irving Pk Rd 11 am - 9 pm  
AND  
Tata's Kitchen & Social 5700 W. Irving Pk Rd 4 pm - 9pm

*Proceeds to benefit*

Parents' Club

## HOWL AT THE MOON COMMITTEE MEETING MONDAY, OCTOBER 30 7PM ON ZOOM

If you would like to knock out some service hours, join the Howl at the Moon



Committee!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85007516103?pwd=VEFOaGcyRVpBTzdJeGJyT0h4MFJRUT09>

Meeting ID: 850 0751 6103

Passcode: 521642

## WE ARE REQUESTING DONATIONS OF WINE FOR THE HOWL AT THE MOON WINE PULL

Deliver to the main office or Amie Zander at pick up. Thank you!

## PARENTS CLUB MEETING - OCTOBER 25


The Parents Club meeting is on Wednesday, 10/25. Please bring a scratch-off lotto ticket for the PC basket for Howl at the Moon.

Can't come? Bring a scratch-off to pick up and give to Amie Zander.



## SCHOOL COMMUNITY - YOU ARE INVITED!

There are two more classes for the Wolf Pups fall session (10/26 and 11/9)! If you or anyone you know is looking for fun, interactive play time for your toddler, click [HERE](#) for the registration form. Walk-ins are welcome!



**JOIN US ON THURSDAYS DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR FOR WOLF PUPS!**

Wolf Pups is our popular music and movement class for tots (babies through Pre-K age) with an adult.

**THURSDAY MORNINGS  
9-10 AM  
PFGA GYMNASIUM**

**YOUR FIRST CLASS IS FREE!**  
\$5 per class after that, or save \$5 by signing up and paying for a full session up front!

 **POPE FRANCIS  
GLOBAL ACADEMY**  
6143 W. IRVING PARK RD  
773.736.8806 [INFO@PFGACADEMY.ORG](mailto:INFO@PFGACADEMY.ORG)

Scan QR Code to Register  
  
or click [HERE](#)

**PICK-UP BASKETBALL  
MONDAY NIGHTS  
7:30-9:30PM**



**PFGA  
GYMNASIUM  
PARENTS  
& ADULTS 18+**

**CONTACT IAN BARBO  
FOR DETAILS  
[ian.barbo@gmail.com](mailto:ian.barbo@gmail.com)**

**TO SUBMIT AN ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE HOWLER** Please send all submissions to the Howler by Tuesdays at 5:00PM to [info@pfgacademy.org](mailto:info@pfgacademy.org).

[PFGACADEMY.ORG](http://PFGACADEMY.ORG)

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