



### IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- Friday, November 10 - No School, Faculty Professional Development
- Saturday, November 11 - Veterans Day
- Sunday, November 12 - Discover Catholic Schools Week #DCSW23 Begins. Click [HERE](#) for daily themes.
- Sunday, November 12 - School Family Mass at 10am. Hospitality after Mass in the gym
- Wednesday, November 15 - Coffee & Conversation with the Principal, after School Mass
- Thursday, November 16 - Musical Theatre Program Begins
- Saturday, November 18 - Howl at the Moon Silent Auction
- Wednesday, November 22 - Friday, November 24 - Thanksgiving Break



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

## SCHOOL UPDATES AND REMINDERS

### POWERSCHOOL UPDATES AND TROUBLESHOOTING

**UPDATES:** Please click on this [LINK](#) to view instructions of how to update your information on PowerSchool for the current school year.

**TROUBLESHOOTING:** Parents received instructions for the PowerSchool Parent Portal in their packets during Parent Teacher Conferences. If you have any issues, please complete this [FORM](#) for assistance.


Both the instructions and the form can be found on the school website, under the Parent Information tab - click [HERE](#).

### MUSICAL THEATRE - REGISTRATION IS STILL OPEN!

The 2023-2024 musical theatre program is open to 1st-8th graders! The session starts November 16. Theatre is held on Thursdays after school from 3-4:15pm in the gym. Performances will take on March 1st and 2nd. Register by Tuesday, November 14 for the early bird discounted rate. Click [HERE](#) for registration form.

# IT'S DISCOVER CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK!

**Discover Catholic Schools Week**  
Sunday, November 12 - Saturday, November 18, 2023



**Sun, Nov 12**  
**Discover With Your Parish**  
Family Mass with Hospitality after

**Mon, Nov 13**  
**Discover Catholic School Students**  
Shadow Day  
World Kindness Day



**Tues, Nov 14**  
**Discover Catholic School Parents**  
Parent Testimonials

**Wed, Nov 15**  
**Discover Catholic School Educators**  
Coffee & Conversation after 8:30am Mass

**Thurs, Nov 16**  
**Celebrating the Faith-Based Community**  
School/Church Collaboration

**Fri, Nov 17**  
**Celebrating Faculty, Staff & Volunteers**  
Substitute Educators Day


**Sat, Nov 18**  
**Celebrating Catholic School Alumni**  
"Howl at the Moon" Silent Auction & Dinner




**SHADOW DAY**  
Monday, November 13

Shadow at Pope Francis Global Academy and discover the PFGA experience! Students will live a day in the life of a PFGA student, tour the school, meet teachers, and enjoy lunch with the Wolf Pack.

For questions about shadowing at PFGA, please contact Gigi Ybarra, at 773.736.8806 or [gybarra@pfgacademy.org](mailto:gybarra@pfgacademy.org).




**PFGACADEMY.ORG**  
Scan the QR code to register.




Stay tuned for more information on the DCSW23 activities!

## ATHLETICS - WOLVES HIGHLIGHTS



**News**  
Follow PFGA Athletics on Instagram!

Click here  
[PFGA Athletics](#)



**Bitty Basketball** has started. Check out the [schedule](#). Bitty Basketball is in full swing. Way to go Wolves!



**Boys Basketball** - register [HERE](#).



## Boys' basketball

The basketball season fee will be \$85.00 for 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade teams and \$65.00 for 3 & 4<sup>th</sup> grade teams. Fees will be charged via facts on December 1st, 2023. The season will start the end of November or beginning of December and run through mid-February. Schedules should be completed by Thanksgiving.

The 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade teams will play during the weekday and have approximately 16-20 games. The 3rd/4<sup>th</sup> grade team will play on Saturdays and have approximately 10 games.

There will be a basketball scheduling meeting in November for games. I need to see how many teams we are going to field. Official practices can start the week of November 13<sup>th</sup>. Practices schedules should be sent out at the beginning of next week.

## SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL



### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- **Howl at the Moon Silent Auction & Dinner.** Volunteer to help set-up and/or during the event. Sign up [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](#).

Make sure to track your volunteer hours on [TrackitForward](#). If you are new to TrackitForward, please follow the [instructions](#) or contact Gigi Ybarra at [gybarra@pfgacademy.org](mailto:gybarra@pfgacademy.org).

## SCHOOL FUNDRAISERS

### HOWL AT THE MOON SILENT AUCTION & DINNER IS COMING SOON!

Buy your tickets or staff tickets or Howl from Home for the auction.

Enjoy dinner, desserts, DJ music, dancing, and a chance to bid on a SO many great items, from Blackhawks and Bulls tickets to gift certificates from local businesses. This is an adults only/BYOB event.

Purchase tickets here!  
[Howl2023](#)



**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



## 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!



*Queen of Hearts Raffle* 50/50

to benefit



**Help us raise funds for a playground!**

Tickets sold and drawings held at:

**THE POT IS OVER \$40K!**

TRATTORIA *Ornella*  
RESTAURANTE & PIZZERIA  
3656 North Central Avenue • 773.736.1429

**THURSDAY NIGHTS - 8 pm**  
Until the Queen of Hearts is revealed!

Ticket \$5, 5 for \$20, or 8 for \$30

Prize money will roll over weekly until there is a winner. Weekly \$100 prizes will be given to the person whose ticket is drawn but does not reveal the Queen of Hearts. Plus, other door prizes given! All Terms and Conditions can be found at: [www.PFGAcademy.org](http://www.PFGAcademy.org)

## FOOTBALL MANIA - WE HAVE A WINNER!

Hello PFGA and Fellow FootballMania Fans!

FootballMania is underway with week 9 of football completed. We are excited to announce that James Gay caught our very 1st FootballMania WIN passed to him by LJ, Tommy & Cece! He is Kmet'ed to helping the kids at PFGA!!! There is still tons of FootballMania fun to be had and we can't wait to announce more winners! **GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!**



Also more GREAT news: We can now sell tickets until 11/25/23. (Game cards are not eligible to win prize money in any week prior to their activation, but will be eligible to win the current and future weekly prizes as well as the grand prize at the end of the season.) If you haven't set up an account yet for your child please do so A.S.A.P. Click on the link below and follow the directions to get started and to customize your own fundraising webpage: <https://www.charitymania.com/register/GD07D>

If you are a parent, make sure to log in using your child's first and last name when prompted and your email address as the contact. If you have questions about the fundraiser feel free to contact Dominic Maino at [dmaino@stbartholomew.net](mailto:dmaino@stbartholomew.net).

## PARENTS' CLUB NEWS

### FAMILY DAY AT THE CHICAGO WOLVES

PFGA Family Day at the Chicago Wolves game will be on Sunday, February 25 at 3 pm. The Chicago Wolves will take on the Iowa Wild. Tickets are \$16 each and everyone will receive a free Chicago Wolves hat and all PFGA families will be seated in the same section. Additionally, they are offering our group

discounted vouchers for \$6.50 each that get you a hot dog and a pop at the game. Tickets must be purchased by January 19, 2024. The link to purchase tickets is below.



<https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/pfgacademy/chicagowolvesgame>



## PFGA WOLVES TAKE ON THE GREAT WOLF LODGE

The PFGA Wolves take on the Great Wolf Lodge in Gurnee, IL Sunday, January 14! This is a super fun overnight stay with PFGA families. We have secured a discounted room block for our group. All rooms sleep up to 6 people and come with 6 waterpark passes. You can book on their website [www.greatwolf.com](http://www.greatwolf.com) or by calling 1-844-485-9653. Use the group code 2403POPE to get the discounted rate of \$269.99 plus the discounted resort fee of only \$9.99. Total: \$318.38

Reservations MUST be made by 12/10/23. Book now - they will sell out! Makes a great family Christmas gift!

**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

**DINE AND DONATE!**

**MISTLETOE MARKET**

**FREE ADMISSION**  
CRAFTS, JEWELRY, HOME DECOR,  
HANDMADE ITEMS, CHILDREN'S GIFTS,  
RAFFLES AND SO MUCH MORE!

9 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
December 2 & 3  
Pope Francis Global Academy  
6143 W. Irving Park Rd.

PICTURES WITH SANTA,  
"COOKIE WALK" & HOT COCOA BAR

Parents' Club

**SAVE THE DATE!**

## SCHOOL COMMUNITY - YOU ARE INVITED!

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

**PFGA GYMNASIUM**  
**PARENTS & ADULTS 18+**

CONTACT IAN BARBO FOR DETAILS  
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**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).

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