

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

We rise to meet Christ's challenge.

2025 Edition



► IMPORTANT DATES

• **Nov 10, 11 NO SCHOOL**

- Nov 12 School Mass 
-6:30pm Home and School Meeting
-7:00pm School Council Meeting

- Nov 13 Pizza Hot lunch

- Nov 17, 24 Communi-Tea grade 5+
- Nov 18 Vaccinations for gr 6 & 9
- Nov 20 Layering Jersey Hat Day

Canteen Days

Nov 18 Grade 3
Dec 2 Grade 1 & 2

Game on/Go Girls Grade 3/4@ lunch

Nov 6, 13, 20, 27
Dec 4, 11



St Catherine



November 25

Our School's patroness: St Catherine's Feast Day.

Hot dog Hot lunch 

- **Wear SAINTS apparel to celebrate our patroness.**





Updates to January Diploma and PAT Exams - October 31

“The Alberta Government announced changes to upcoming provincial and diploma exams on Friday, October 31, 2025. We would like to share what this means for students and families in our Division.”

Grade 9 Provincial Achievement Tests and January 2026 Diploma Exams

The January Grade 9 Provincial Achievement Tests and the January 2026 Diploma Exams have been cancelled.

R E P O R T I N G P E R I O D S

Do to the job action in October, there are some adjustments being made to our reporting periods this year:

For grades 1–6, all Holy Spirit Schools will move to two formal report cards: one in January and one in June. Teachers will also provide feedback on student learning at parent–teacher conferences in November and March. More information will come out soon from the school division regarding these changes.

For junior high, we will continue to have four formal report cards, but the first term will be extended by one week. The report card will come out on November 28.

RESCHEDULING LIST

• WE DIDNT FORGET

Thank you for your patience in this time as we work on rescheduling and informing you of all the changes post labour action. You're continued support for our staff, the school and most importantly the students is greatly appreciated!

Theme days: Fall layers day, hat day and jersey day are now a combined day of layer your jersey and wear a hat day on **Nov 20th**.

Canteen days are rescheduled ,starting off where we left off.

Scholastic Book Fair

When?=**FEBRUARY**, exact date is still tbd



- Miss Mel our Librarian is working on finalizing our book fair, you will be notified of exact dates when we have it.

Join Us for

PARENT / TEACHERS CONFERENCE

● **Meet the
teachers and
other staff**

● **Get your
questions
answered**

● **Discuss
important
information**

WEDNESDAY NOV 19 3:30PM-6:30PM

THURSDAY NOV 20 5:00PM-8:00PM

Register on CONFERENCE MANAGER ahead of time in order to book your appointment. *FRONT PAGE OF WEBSITE*

Booking windows are open Nov 10-20th at 12:00pm.

Sessions will be 10 minutes each to ensure our larger classes have capacity to meet with every parent/student. If you feel as though you need more time, you are able to book 2 sessions. Contact your students teacher or Miss Sarah in the office for support.

Translation support will be provided if needed, miss Vanesa may be added to your booking so make sure she is available for the same time you are booking with the teacher.

PICTURE DAY RETAKES: *Dec 4*

Post Picture Day Customer Care *Ordering, Support, How to?*

Questions about packages, ordering, or photo access?

- Call: 1-866-457-8212
- Live Chat: Available at www.mylifetouch.ca
- Accessing Your Child's Images Online- Families can now access photos securely using their student ID number. (Student ID found on PowerSchool)

Steps:

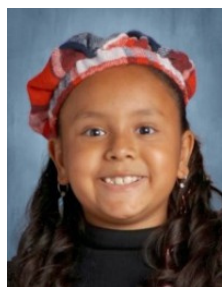
1. Go to www.mylifetouch.ca
2. Sign in or create an account
3. Select "Student ID" tab
4. Enter student information to view photos Alternatively, families can use their portrait ID and access code.

Shutterfly Gift with Purchase

Families who purchase online at www.mylifetouch.ca will receive:

- ***A \$30 Shutterfly coupon***
- ***A free 8x11 photo book***

Don't forget if you purchase online you get a free gift, so make sure to utilize that opportunity at checkout.



SCHOOL COUNCIL

MEET YOUR COMMITTEE

CHAIR: Crystie Praskach

VICE CHAIR: Andrea Nieboer

SECRETARY: Carlee Nummi

DIV 3 REP: Karem Bracamontes

DIV 2 REP: Lexi Paskal

DIV 1 REP: Aubrey Kolk

KINDERGARTEN & PRE K REP: Ashley Crapo



-Parent “Screen Sanity” night Nov 19th at 6:30pm

▶ NEXT MEETING

November 12th at 7pm in the School Library.

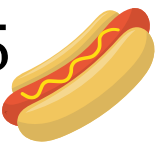
HOME AND SCHOOL

**Meeting
Minutes**

**NO NEW MINUTES.
STAY INFORMED AFTER OUR FIRST MEETING
BACK, ONLINE AND IN THE NEWSLETTER.**

HOT LUNCH!

- Pizza Nov 13
- Hotdog Hot Lunch Nov 25



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St Catherine

SAINTS

SAINTS SPORTS

► UPDATED VOLLEYBALL SEASON

Volleyball Practice's

- Nov 13= SV GIRLS practice
- Nov 17= SV BOYS practice
- Nov 19=SV GIRLS practice

J V / S V G I R L S

Nov 7-8=JV Girls COLJHAA
Championship @ Prairie Winds

Nov 12=SV Girls HOME VS St Joes

Nov 14-15 SV Girls ZONES
(If we qualify)

Nov 18=SV Girls HOME VS PBHS

Nov 21-22=SV Girls COLJHAA
Championship @ St. Joe's Coaldale

J V / S V B O Y S

Nov 7-8=JV Boys COLJHAA
Championship @ Prairie Winds

Nov 12=SV Boys HOME VS St Joes
(after girls)

Nov 21-22=SV Boys COLJHAA
Championship @ HOME

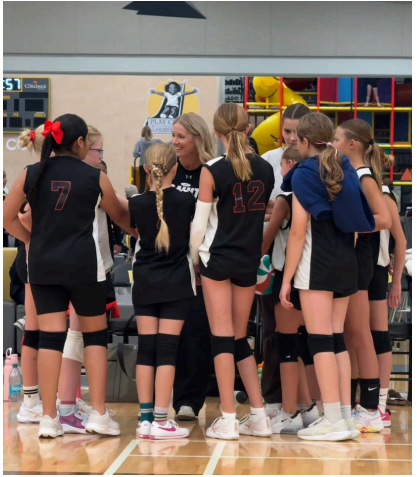
► WHAT ELSE?

BASKETBALL SEASON'S UP NEXT

If you are interested in coaching JV or SV
Girls or Boys please contact Miss Sarah
in the office at
decostes@holyspirit.ab.ca



OCTOBER

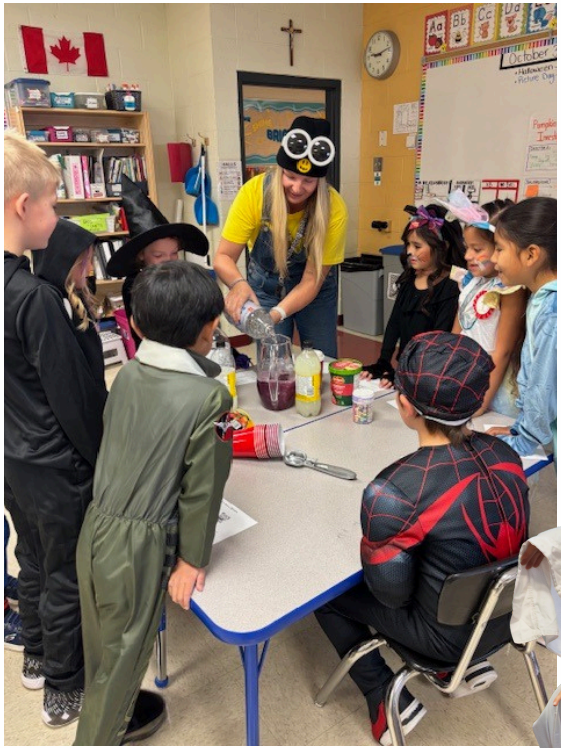


HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

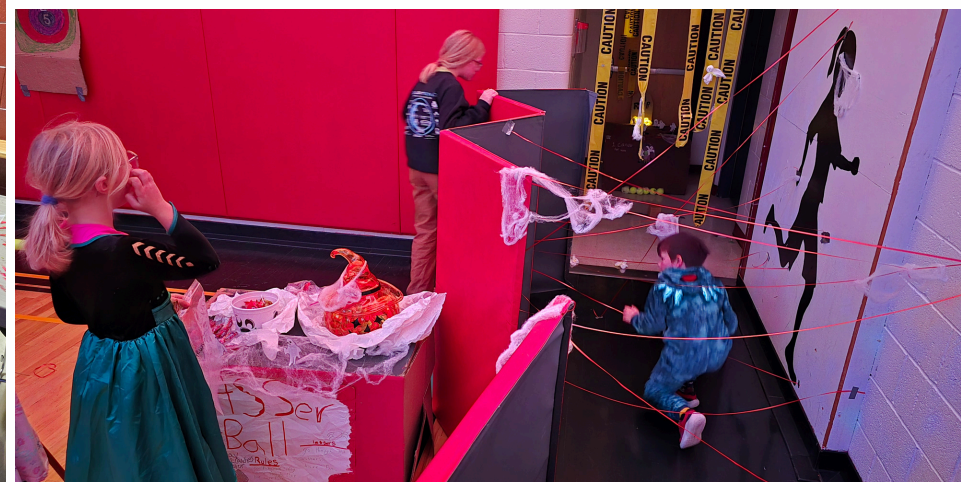


Our Jr High's got straight to work on the Halloween Carnival. -Instead of having weeks to plan to create carnival games and haunted houses, our gym was transformed in just two days. Well done Jr High! -and thank you to parents for your cardboard and help.





HALLOWEEN



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ST CATHERINE FAITH COMMUNITY

**Join us at our monthly School Mass on November
12 at St Catherine Parish at 9am.**

Saint Catherine of Alexandria

NOV 25



Born into nobility, at the age of 14 Catherine had a vision that changed her life. Rebuking the Emperor who was persecuting Christians, she was imprisoned and executed for her Catholic Faith. Read more of our Schools Patroness on our school website www.scpb.holyspirit.ab.ca/our_patron_saint

A Catholic feast day is any day when we remember and celebrate something or someone important to our Catholic faith. The word feast comes from the Latin "festes", meaning 'joy' and symbolizes a time of celebration.

To celebrate our Patroness' Feast Day we encourage students to wear their "Saints" apparel, and enjoy Hot Dogs provided by our Home and School Association.



November 30th Advent Begins.

Advent starts on the fourth Sunday before Christmas. The exact date varies each year because it depends on which day of the week Christmas is on.

The Advent season ends on Christmas Eve, because the next season is CHRISTMAS! Christmas isn't just a day, but an entire season where we reflect, celebrate and feast on our Messiah being born. This season goes from Christmas Day to the Epiphany, on January 6.

St Catherine Parish

Weekend Masses: 2nd / 4th Saturday 7:00 pm, Sunday 11:00 am

Week-Day Mass: Wednesday 9am, Friday 9am

Adoration: Wednesday Nights starting at 7pm

Reconciliation: Wednesday Nights starting after Benediction. 7:00pm-8:00pm.