



# Holy Spirit Catholic Elementary School

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

We have had an eventful week at Holy Spirit. Thank you to all families who were able to donate online to the Terry Fox Foundation. Together we have raised \$870 for cancer research! This week we also had our Fall Photo Day and practiced important safety procedures together. Unfortunately, due to circumstances outside of our control, we were unable to take class photos on Wednesday. Class photos will be taken on Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at our Fall Photo Re-Take Day. We would also like to congratulate all of our athletes who participated in our Cross Country Meet at Bruce's Mill!

I'd like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving! May you have the opportunity to visit those you cherish most and spend quality time together. Please see the information below regarding the upcoming week at Holy Spirit.

## **Thanksgiving Prayer**

Thank You, God, for all the wonderful blessings, for our daily meals, for clean drinking water and for sunlight, and for the cool breeze. I'm thankful for my family, my friends, and my health. I'm thankful for my friends, to love and be loved.

Thank You for this great country and for the freedom it offers. I'm thankful to be alive and praise You for all these wonders. I'm thankful that You have been so gracious to give Your only Son to us who gave his life and bore the unbearable for us sinners.

On this Thanksgiving Day, I take the opportunity to give thanks for countless other things You provide us with on a daily basis.

Amen.

## **Thanksgiving Liturgy**

On Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. our Grade 2's will be celebrating our Thanksgiving Liturgy in the gym. Parents are welcome to attend as chairs will be set up at the back of the gym for those who wish to celebrate with us. Please remember that we ask you not to take pictures of students to protect their privacy. Thank you for your cooperation.

## **The Sacrament of First Communion**

Registration for the Sacrament of First Communion for Grade 2 students and older students who have missed receiving their sacrament will take place between October 11<sup>th</sup> and October 31<sup>st</sup> at Our Lady of Grace Parish.



Please note that any families who enroll after the deadline will have to wait until next year for their child to receive the sacrament.

Registration forms are available electronically on the parish website at:

<https://olgraceau.archtoronto.org/> under “Our Sacraments” or on the rotating carousel.

### **The Sacrament of Confirmation**

Registration for the Sacrament of Confirmation for Grades 7 students and any Grade 8 students who have missed receiving their sacrament will take place at Our Lady of Grace Parish from November 1<sup>st</sup> to November 18<sup>th</sup>.

Please note that any families who enroll after the deadline will have to wait until next year for their child to receive the sacrament.

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### **Halloween Dance-a-Thon**

We are excited to be bringing back our Halloween Dance-a-Thon Fundraiser. If there are any members of the community who would like to donate any prizes, please contact the office. More information will be available in our next parent communication!

### **CCAT Testing Grade 4**

Every year our Grade 4 students participate in testing for the PACE program. Testing will take place between October 17<sup>th</sup> and October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

### **2022-2023 Hot Lunch Reminders**

- Our Fall Session begins on **Monday, October 17th**, and runs until the **Christmas Break on December 23rd**.
- Ordering closes today
- If you have any questions please email our hot lunch team at [hs.hot.lunch@gmail.com](mailto:hs.hot.lunch@gmail.com)

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mr. A. Modica

Principal

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Important Dates:

Monday, October 10th	• Thanksgiving (No School)
Friday, Oct. 14 <sup>th</sup>	• Thanksgiving Liturgy (9:00 am)
Monday, Oct. 17th	• Hot Lunch: Delicious Greek
Monday Oct. 17 <sup>th</sup> – 20th	• PACE Testing (Gr. 4)
Wednesday, Oct. 19 <sup>th</sup>	• Hot Lunch: Pizza Pizza
Friday, Oct. 21 <sup>st</sup>	• PA Day (No School For Students)