



# From The Principal's Desk

November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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## Important Dates Coming Up

- Holy Day – Immaculate Conception – Monday 12/8, Mass @ 10am
- Confessions for Grades 3-5 – Tuesday, 12/9
- Christmas Gala (Rescheduled Halloween Gala) – Friday 12/12, 6-8pm
- PS/PK/K Christmas Concert – Wednesday 12/17 @ Bishop Connolly
- ESS Christmas Play – Thursday, 12/18 @ Bishop Connolly
- ½ Day of School – Friday, 12/19
- Christmas Break – No School (12/22/25 – 1/2/26)

## New Information This Week



**Gift of Love Christmas Service Project:** Please see the letter below regarding our Gift of Love Christmas Service Project. A special thank you to Ms. Polselli for organizing it!

**Breakfast with Santa:** Tickets are on sale in the school office for the Parish Breakfast with Santa. This will take place on Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup> in the church hall. It begins at 9am, with a final seating at 11am. Tickets are \$15 per person, and \$10 for children under 12 years old.

## Information from Prior Memos

**Halloween Gala Rescheduled:** I want to extend thanks for your patience regarding the Halloween Gala. We had to figure out a few logistics in order to reschedule the Gala. **The rescheduled Gala (Now the Christmas Gala) will take place on December 12<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at Bishop Connolly.** Tickets purchased from the Halloween Gala will be valid for admission for the Christmas Gala.

- Pumpkins from the Halloween Gala will still be judged as we would have before.
- Since it is now a Christmas Gala, we will skip costumes. Instead, students can dress in festive/Christmas colors.
- Pizza, soda and water will still be on sale during the Gala.
- If you have any questions regarding the Gala, please reach out to the school office.



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## Gift of Love Christmas Service Project

**Dear Families,**

During this Christmas Season, our school would like to take part in a very special service project as an act of love. We feel that it is important to have the children do something meaningful within their community as stated in the school's Mission Statement. In our city, we have an organization known as **GATES OF HOPE, Inc.** which is run right out of our own parish located in the building right behind Espirito Santo Church.

It offers the following services:

- **Food Pantry- by appointment Tuesday- Friday between 2:00pm and 4:00pm**
- **Pet Pantry**
- **Hygiene Items**

We recently contacted the **Director, Faith Scallion** and asked if we would be able to help them out by providing some needed items. Ms. Scallion informed us that there were some much needed items which we could help provide. We are asking the children to purchase one item each week from the list below. Ms. Scallion wishes to express her gratitude to you for any donations that you can provide.

For the week of **NOV. 24 : Please bring one of the following:** condiments such as mustard, ketchup and spices. They are also in need of pet food.

For the week of **DEC. 1: Please bring one of the following:** a package of cake mixes, brownie mix, muffin/cookie mix, snack items and boxes of cereal.

For the week of **DEC. 8 : Please bring one of the following:** canned meats such as canned chicken, spam, ham, chicken spreads.

For the week of **DEC. 15: Please bring one of the following:** ready-made meals such as rice-a-roni, hamburger helper, canned beef stews, chunky soups, chef-boy-ar-dee pastas. (They don't need any more mac and cheese, tuna or beans)

**In lieu of the above items, they will also accept gift cards for Price Rite, Stop and Shop, Walmart and Market Basket.**

**Thank you so much for all your cooperation and generosity and for helping the children grow in their faith and love for God through their acts of love for others in need. May you be greatly blessed!**

**Sincerely, The Faculty of Espirito Santo School**