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Thank you to all of the families and parents that attended our Rollin' for Soles Bowling event this past weekend. The event raised \$1625 for the Catholic Schools Walk. It was a day of fun, laughter and of course raffles! Here are the raffle winners:

- Spirit Wear Gift Card for \$50 : The Mulloy Family & Aleja Gonzales
- Front row seats for the Christmas Concert: Liam Flatley & Aleja Gonzales
- Front pew for Christmas Eve Mass (4:00): Korbyn Malkowski & Kaiden Meyerring
- Special Recess and Treat : Mason Sanchez
- Class Out of Uniform Day: Aleja Gonzales
- Dance Party: Thomas Ogden
- Class Pizza Party: Jeffrey Gates
- Swag Bag of Divine Mercy Swag: Tina Kopitzke & Makayla Olson
- Sipply Divine Tickets (2) : The Ferguson Family
- Principal for the Day: Mabel Kopitzke

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### **Catholic Schools Walk**

Catholic Schools Walk is an annual fundraising walk geared towards building community within our Catholic schools, celebrating Catholic education and helping all of the Catholic schools within the Archdiocese raise money to support educational costs. **All proceeds raised at our school are kept within the school; that means 100% of the money raised comes to our school! Our goal this year is to raise \$9,000! We know we can do it. We currently have raised \$4,582!** Money raised will be used for the following:

- Reduce the cost of field trips. Bussing costs have almost tripled since last year. To reduce the burden on families, money raised from the Catholic Schools Walk will be used to help pay for buses.
- Playground equipment and improvements, such as new game equipment, structure repairs and/or replacement.
- Outdoor reflection area and outdoor classroom seating, additions to the area such as whiteboards.
- Technology for classrooms, such as new chromebooks, tablets, and laptops.

For each level achieved towards our fundraising goal, students will earn an incentive. Check out these cool incentives:

**\$750 - Crazy hat, crazy hair, crazy dress and crazy shoe day!- Whoot whoot earned!**

**\$1,500 - Movie, Slushie and Popcorn Bar- Whoot whoot earned!**

**\$3,000 - Chalk the Lot- draw and cover the parking lot with chalk- Whoot whoot earned!**

\$6,000 - Mad Scientist Day - Dress like a mad scientist and participate in STEM activities and science experiments

\$9,000 - Student "YES" Day- students choice day for activities, lunch, and many more surprises!

Help us reach our goals by texting **SCHOOLSWALK12** to **71777** or at <https://fundraise.givesmart.com/vf/SCHOOLSWALK/team/DivineMercy> Thank you for generously supporting our fabulous Catholic School!

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### **Bake Sale**

On Friday, October 27, 2023 we will be having a bake sale to help raise money for the Catholic Schools walk. Students will be able to purchase items, made by the staff and teachers, that range in price from 50 cents to \$1.

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### **Pie Mrs. Rucka**

On Friday, November 17, 2023 students will have the opportunity to throw a pie at Mrs. Rucka for \$1! All proceeds will go to the Catholic Schools Walk. For \$20, students will get 20 small, individual pies and one large pie!

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### **Pumpkin Farm**

On Friday, October 27, 2023 all students will participate in our Pumpkin Farm at school. Students will have the opportunity to pick a pumpkin, do some crafts and games, enjoy a spooky snack and even go to a haunted classroom! The cost of the pumpkin farm is \$7. Money will need to be sent to the school office by Wednesday, October 25, 2023. Parent volunteers are needed to help with this amazing event. If you are interested, and have taken Safeguarding God's with a completed background check, please sign up on the link below.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044EABAB29AAFC1-45211783-pumpkin>

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### **Trunk or Treat**

Join us for [Trunk or treat](#) on Friday, October 27 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30p.m.. Families may choose to reserve a spot to decorate their car(s) and hand out candies or treats or just join us for some spooky fun and trick or treating! This is a Divine Mercy Catholic School event only; it will not be open to the public. Cars that may arrive to set up between 4:00-4:30p.m.. Families may begin arriving at 4:30 p.m. to park in remaining spots or on the surrounding streets. Hot dogs, chips and water will be available to purchase with cash from 4:30 p.m. until sold out. Volunteers are needed for this Home & School sponsored event. Please see the link below to reserve your space or to volunteer. We look forward to seeing you!!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4FA5A82AABFF2-44490117-trunk>

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### **Halloween Parties**

Classrooms will be having Halloween parties on Tuesday, October 31. Please see individual letters/newsletters from your child's teacher for details. Students will be allowed to wear costumes to school. Costumes must be school appropriate. Costumes may not be/have:

1. Violent or gruesome nature (e.g. fake blood, scars, pretend wounds)
2. Revealing, e.g. short skirts, short shorts, or tank tops. Must be modest.
3. Contain weapons such as guns, swords
4. Masks may not be worn .

Minimal face paint will be allowed, such as painting whiskers on a face. Students must be able to take their costume on and off as well. If your child does not want to wear a costume, he/she may be out of uniform if they wear orange, black or a school appropriate Halloween theme shirt/dress.

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### **All Saints Day**

Join us on Wednesday, November 1, 2023 to celebrate All Saints Day and the Eucharist! Parents and families are welcome to come. After Mass, students from the 4th and 5th grade classes will be presenting a Saint Museum in the cafeteria for all to see. Come learn about the many Saints that have inspired us!

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### **Upcoming Dates:**

- 10/20 No school
- 10/25 Pumpkin Farm Money Due
- 10/27 Pumpkin Farm
- 10/27 Trunk or Treat 5:00-6:30 ([see link](#))

- 10/31 Halloween Costumes may be worn or out of uniform with orange, black or school appropriate halloween theme shirt/dress
  - 11/1 All Saints Day - Join us for Mass at 8:30 and the Saint Museum to follow!
  - 11/3 Early Release 11:30, teacher professional development in the afternoon
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### **Attachments**

- [Trunk or Treat](#)
- [Catholic Schools Walk - Line our hallway with shoes!](#)
- [Pumpkin Farm Flyer](#)
- [Adult Sacrament Information Meeting](#)