St Mike's NEWSLETTER

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH

A Prayer of Thanksgiving and Gratitude

As we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving, help us pause and recognize the many blessings You have placed in our lives. Thank You for our families, our friends, our teachers, and our school community. Remind us that gratitude is more than saying "thank you." It is showing kindness, sharing with others, and appreciating the little things we sometimes take for granted.
As we enter this season of Thanksgiving, open our hearts to those who may be lonely, struggling, or in need. Help us share Your love through our words and actions.
May we always remember that every blessing, big or small, is a gift from You.
Amen.

HAVE A SIBLING THAT WILL BE JOINING ST MIKE'S NEXT YEAR?

Stay tuned for an email from Mrs. Heil this week. Please complete the form indicating whether you will have a sibling joining our PreK and Kindergarten classes or a sibling that will be transferring. Re-Enrollment and Public Enrollment will open the beginning of December. More details coming soon!

WHAT WE'RE THANKFUL FOR THIS WEEK AT ST MIKE'S

- ***Our Students**: For the joy, kindness, and energy they bring to our classrooms each day.*
- ***Our Teachers & Staff:** For their dedication and the countless ways they go above and beyond for our students.*
- ***Our Families:** For trusting us with their children & for the continued support they give our school community.*
- ***Our Faith:** For the opportunity to grow together in Christ and keep faith at the center of everything we do.*

HOLIDAY HOURS

We'll be closed on:

Wednesday, November 25th - Monday, November 30th.

School Re-Opens Tuesday, December 1st

WAYS TO CELEBRATE GRATITUDE WITH OUR SCHOOL

- Elementary Thanksgiving Day Mass Friday, November 20th 9AM at St Joseph's Church
- Middle School Thanksgiving Prayer Service 9:45AM Assumption Church.



UPCOMING SAVE THE DATES

- **Tuesday, December 1st** – School Re-Opens
- **Tuesday, December 1st** – Second Trimester Begins
- **Friday, December 4th** – Spirit Dress Down Day
- **Tuesday, December 8th** – Elementary School Immaculate Conception Mass at St Joseph's 9AM
- **Tuesday, December 8th** – Middle School Immaculate Conception Mass at Assumption 9AM
- **Wednesday, December 9th** – First Trimester Report Cards Issued
- **Thursday, December 10th** – Elementary School Christmas Concert at St Joseph's Church 6:30PM.
- **Friday. December 11th** – Middle School Snowball Dance – Hanlon
- **Tuesday, December 15th** – Middle School Advent Service at Assumption 2PM
- **Tuesday, December 15th** – School-wide Christmas Tree Lighting & Christmas Market – Hanlon 6-8PM
- **Friday, December 18th** – Spirit Dress Down Day
- **Monday, December 21st** – Elementary School Christmas Mass at St Joseph's 9AM
- **Tuesday, December 22nd** – Middle School Christmas Mass at Assumption 9AM
- **Tuesday, December 22nd** – Early Dismissal PreK 11:30AM/MS12PM/ Kindergarten – 4th Grade 12:15PM
- **Wednesday, December 23rd** – January 3rd – Christmas Break – School Closed
- **Monday, January 4th** – School Re-Opens

Red Robin® will give

20% OF FOOD SALES* BACK TO

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL SCHOOL

Show this flyer or simply mention the fundraiser to your server to have your sales counted.

FUNDRAISER DETAILS

2845 Center Valley Parkway Suite 440, Center Valley, PA 18034

November 18, 2026 5PM - 9PM

If ordering online, please follow these instructions:

1. Start your order at **redrobin.com/order** and select the restaurant above.
2. In the menu, go to the category labeled "Fundraisers (To-Go Only)" and click on that item.
3. Click the "add" button, and then "add to bag."
4. Add your meal items and check out.
5. Arrive at Red Robin, come in, say hi, grab your food and be on your way! If your location has curbside pick-up, we can bring it to your car too!

*Donation based on all eligible net dine-in and to-go food sales only. Excludes sales from catering (at select locations), 3rd party ordering and delivery sites, alcohol, gift cards, retail, tax and gratuity. Offer void if flyer is distributed in or near the restaurant during fundraiser day & hours.

Red Robin

St. Michael's Student Council
Two Ways to Give

STUFFIE DRIVE

St Luke's Children's Hospital

How You Can Help

Please consider donating stuffed animals or plush toys to bring a smile to a child's face this Christmas!

*All donations must be new in original packaging/with tags.

TOY DROP OFF AT THE CHRISTMAS MARKET, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, FROM 6-8PM AT THE HANLON CENTER

The stuffed animals and plush toys will be delivered to the children in the pediatric unit of St. Luke's Children's Hospital.



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COAT DRIVE FOR UKRAINIAN FAMILIES

This winter is expected to be brutal for Ukrainian children and their families, many of whom are without heat, electricity, and running water.

If you can, please donate to help them stay warm this season.

New or gently used coats, jackets, scarves, and new socks and winter essentials are appreciated!



ITEMS ACCEPTED UNTIL FRIDAY, DEC 5

PLEASE DROP OFF ALL DONATIONS AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL

ALL DONATIONS WILL BE SENT DIRECTLY TO UKRAINIAN CITIES AND AREAS MOST IN NEED VIA ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF ALLENTOWN, PA, AND ST. JOSEPHAT'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF BETHLEHEM, PA.

Saint Mike's School

Presents Our Spring Musical

Annie Jr.



Auditions!

Thursday, December 3

3:30 – 7:00 PM

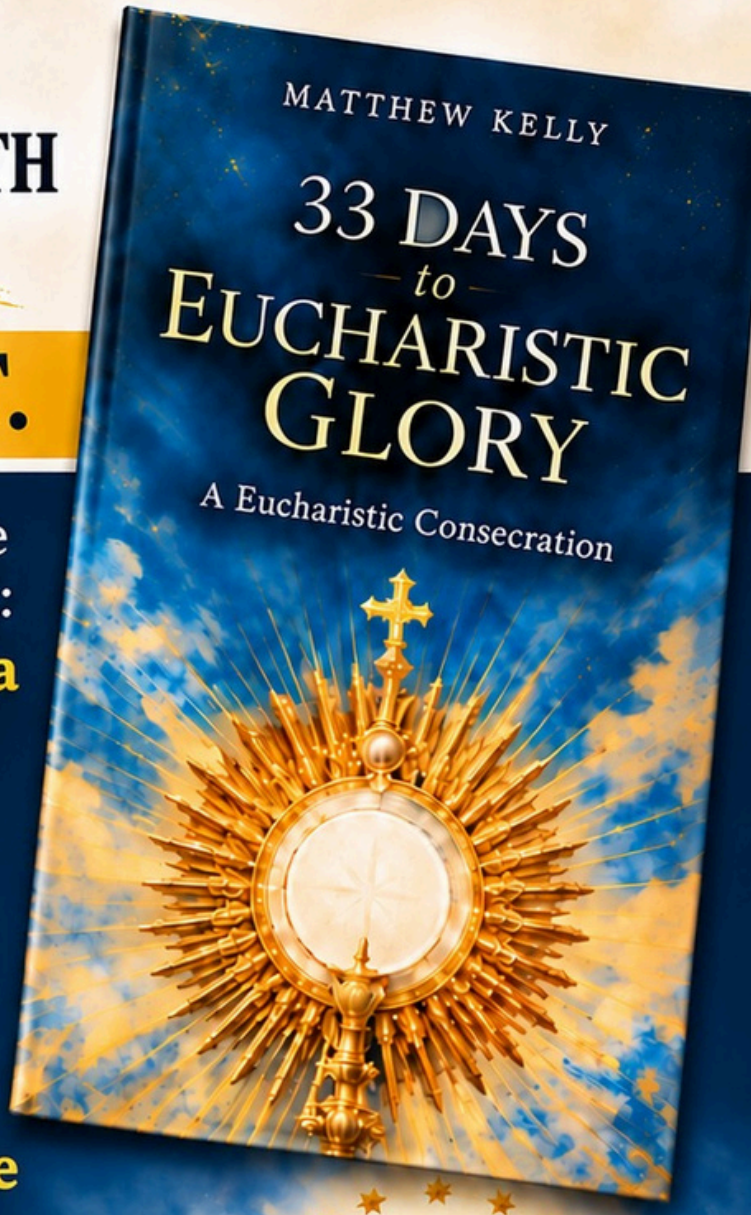
Jubilee Center

(Saint Mike's Middle School Building. The entrance is across from the church.)

Sign-up links and audition materials were sent out through homeroom parents last week and through TeamSnap.

Week of NOVEMBER 16TH

THE HEART OF IT.



At the center of these thirty-three readings is one astonishing claim:

that the Holy Eucharist is not a symbol but Jesus himself.

Body Blood, Soul and Divinity under the appearance of bread and wine.

Children often receive this more readily than adults do.

Ask your child what they make of this truth of our faith.

you may find you learn something.



ST. MICHAEL'S BETHLEHEM

RETAKE Picture Day:

NOVEMBER 23, 2026



- **For students who already placed an order and would like a retake:** Please return your photo package to the photographer on Retake Day. There's no need to place a new order—we'll automatically fulfill your original package using the new photo.
- **For new students or anyone who was absent:** A proof card will be sent home after Retake Day with instructions on how to view and order photos.
- Questions? Please feel free to contact our Customer Care Team—we're always happy to help!

Christmas City Studio Customer Care Team

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ST. MICHAEL'S STUDENT COUNCIL ELVES
PRESENT A HOLIDAY EVENING

CHRISTMAS *Market*



JOIN US FOR:

- THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING
- $5 PICTURES WITH SANTA CLAUS
- HOLIDAY SHOPPING
- "TRAVELIN TOM'S" WORLD'S BEST HOT CHOCOLATE & COFFEE
- AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!

SANTA, CHRISTMAS CHEER & GIFTS

AT THE SANTA SHOP YOU'LL FIND SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!
ALL ITEMS $1, $3, OR $5!!!

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15 FROM 6PM UNTIL 8PM
AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL HANLON CENTER

ALLENTOWN CENTRAL CATHOLIC

VIKETTE MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL PROGRAM

Play. Learn. Grow. Belong.



7TH & 8TH GRADE GIRLS

ACCHS is excited to share a special opportunity for all 7th and 8th Grade girls who currently play basketball — or are planning to play this winter!

In addition to participating on your CYO school basketball team, the ACCHS Vikette Middle School Basketball program offers players an opportunity to gain additional experience — develop skills and compete alongside other motivated Allentown Diocesan athletes — while sharing a passion for the game! This is a fun, competitive program designed to help prepare players for the transition to high school level basketball. Participants will play in historic Rockne Hall, learn from ACCHS coaches, and become part of the Vikette basketball family!

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

The program is open to 7th and 8th Grade girls currently enrolled in an ACCHS Diocesan partner school who participate in their school's CYO basketball program.

PRACTICES

Typically held one or two times per week, depending on gym availability.

COMPETITION

Games are scheduled against local schools including Emmaus, Parkland, Becahi, Northampton, Dieruff, Freedom.

LOCATIONS

Junior High games are often scheduled on the same day and location as ACCHS JV/Varsity games. Middle School games are at local middle schools.

EXPERIENCE

Players get the opportunity to experience the high school level basketball environment firsthand.

REGISTRATION & ATHLETIC REQUIREMENTS

>>> REGISTRATION IS FREE!

All players must complete registration through Player Registration — Arbiter Sports. If you have not already registered through Arbiter Sports, you will need to create a new account.

TWO IMPORTANT REQUIREMENTS BEFORE TRYOUTS:

1. **Player Registration** All players must be registered by a parent or guardian through Arbiter Sports before tryouts on Thursday, November 19, 2026. No exceptions.
2. **Physicals & ImPACT Testing** All players must have the appropriate paperwork and concussion testing completed and on file. Carefully review the following requirements:
   - ***PIAA Physical (Section 6):*** All athletes must have a current PIAA physical on file in the Athletic Training Room or uploaded to Arbiter Sports before November 19, 2026. Physicals must be completed after May I , 2026, to be accepted.
   - ***ImPACT Testing:*** All athletes must have a current baseline ImPACT concussion test on file. This test is required every two years and must be completed before trying out for a sport.

   To access the necessary forms and instructions, visit www.acchs.info/physicals and follow the instructions provided.

OPEN GYMS AT ACCHS

Prepare for the upcoming season!
Tuesday, November 17
Thursday, November 19

TRYOUTS

Sunday, November 22 &
Wednesday, November 25, 2026
Additional info posted via Teamsnap

TEAMSNAP

All registered players will be added to TeamSnap which will post details about open gyms, practices, locations, and game schedules. Players and parents must keep their availability updated regularly so scheduling may be completed in advance and the coaching staff can attend each session. This ensures smooth communication, proper staffing, and the best possible experience for everyone involved.

By choosing ACCHS athletics, you have the opportunity to join a proud legacy of outstanding student-athletes and leaders who have shaped the program for generations. Students are encouraged to explore their full potential — athletically, academically, and personally — while developing the skills, character, and leadership that will serve them for a lifetime.

FOR QUESTIONS, CONTACT: Coach Kathy Davidowich, kdavidowich@acchs.info / Coach Brian Hursh, smhusted@aol.com