



# SHRINE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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## We don't want you to miss a thing!

This document is a guide for parents and students. It is designed to give a brief preview of each school year with regard to the in-school and after-school special activities and events that are part of each grade at Shrine Catholic Schools. While we will do our best to keep it up-to-date, there are obviously some things that will change based on a variety of factors (for example, field trips). We encourage parents to review the lists and ask questions of your students, administration, faculty or coaches, if more specific information is desired. As different event dates approach, specific details will be sent through the Parent Portal or with students.

For each grade level, we have listed items under the following categories:

- Scholastic Activities and Highlights
- Field Trips
- Activity Options
- Sports Options

For more information about the items listed, please refer to the descriptions in the glossary.

We hope this will be helpful for you in planning your year, as well as looking forward to the many wonderful things offered to your children as part of the Shrine Catholic Schools community.

Thank You,

Shrine Catholic Schools Administration  
Shrine Grade School Advisory Committee



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## Kindergarten

### **Scholastic Activities and Highlights:**

Opportunities for parents to read to class  
Reading buddies with another grade level  
Variety of experiments in science lab  
Polar Express  
Robot building activity  
Thanksgiving Feast  
100<sup>th</sup> Day Celebration  
Observe the life cycle of the butterfly  
Visit Baptismal Font in St. Therese Chapel  
Attend 3 All-School masses (K-12<sup>th</sup>)  
End-of-year farewell picnic (parents required to attend)

### **Field Trips:**

Bowers Farm (Fall)  
Spring field trip

### **Activity Options:**

Girl Scouts (if troop available)

### **Sports Options:**

CYO Flag Football- Fall (Girls/Boys)  
CYO Flag Football- Spring (Girls/Boys)

## 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

### **Scholastic Activities and Highlights:**

Weekly parent volunteers and journal helpers  
Christmas Concert (weeknight evening, mid-December)  
Living Rosary and May Crowning  
Living Stations of the Cross  
Spirit Day (Sunday afternoon in late winter or spring)  
Camp S'mores (weeklong in-school activity, spring)  
Weekly Mass (partnered with a 6<sup>th</sup> Grader)

### **Field Trips:**

Fall field trip  
Gleaner's Food Bank (Spring)  
Bowling (late Spring)

### **Activity Options:**

Girl Scouts (if troop available)  
Boy Scouts

### **Sports Options:**

Intramural Basketball- (Girls/Boys)  
CYO Flag Football- Fall (Girls/Boys)  
CYO Flag Football- Spring (Girls/Boys)  
Ski Club at Pine Knob



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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

### Scholastic Activities and Highlights:

Reading buddies with Kindergarteners  
Christmas Concert (weeknight evening, mid-December)  
First Reconciliation (retreat and Sacrament on Saturdays in January or February)

### **First Communion**

- Retreat on Saturday in March
- Sacrament in late April/early May
- Grade School First Communion mass with Blessing of Articles, Tuesday at 8:30 mass after the second First Communion mass

Sheep Eye Dissection  
Owl Pellet Dissection  
Spirit Day

### Field Trips:

Troy Historical Museum (Fall)  
DNR Outdoor Adventure Center (Spring)

### Activity Options:

Girl Scouts (if troop available)  
Boy Scouts

### Sports Options:

Intramural Basketball (Girls/Boys)  
CYO Flag Football- Fall (Girls/Boys)  
CYO Flag Football- Spring (Girls/Boys)

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

### Scholastic Activities and Highlights:

Math Club  
Book Battle  
Spirit Day  
Shrine Post Office  
Desktop Book Reports  
Third Grade Marketplace

### Field Trips:

Tour of Basilica  
Greenfield Village and IMAX  
End of year picnic

### Activity Options:

Girl Scouts  
Boy Scouts  
Knights in Rhythm (Band)  
Treble Choir  
Neighborhood Walks

### Sports Options:

Intramural basketball (Girls/Boys)  
Football  
Cheerleading  
Ski Club at Pine Knob



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## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **Scholastic Activities and Highlights:**

Spring concert (weeknight in May)  
Declamations (Spring)  
Geography Bee  
Henry Ford Writing Competition  
Veteran's Day Program

### **Field Trips:**

St. Anne's/Assumption Grotto (Fall)  
Lansing State Capital (Spring)  
Roller Skating (End of year)

### **Activity Options:**

Knights in Rhythm (Band)  
Parish Treble Choir  
Girl Scouts  
Boy Scouts

### **Sports Options:**

Fall Cheerleading  
Winter Cheerleading  
Boys football (Fall)  
Fall Cross Country (Girls/Boys)  
Girls Basketball  
Boys Basketball  
Ski Club at Pine Knob  
Girls Track  
Boys Lacrosse  
Swimming



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## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **Scholastic Activities and Highlights:**

Spring concert (weeknight in May)  
Declamations (Spring)  
Geography Bee  
Living Biography Projects  
Vocations Essay Contest  
Christmas Around the World Feast

### **Field Trips:**

Father Solanus Casey Center (Fall)  
Henry Ford Museum and Rouge Factory Tour (Spring)  
Courthouse/Police Station  
Bowling

### **Activities:**

Knights in Harmony (Fall/Spring)  
Knights in Rhythm (Band)  
Parish Treble Choir  
Reader's Club  
Geography Club  
Altar Servers (Girls/Boys)  
Girl Scouts  
Boy Scouts

### **Sports Options:**

#### ***FALL***

Girls Volleyball  
Girls Soccer  
Boys Soccer  
Tennis  
Cheerleading  
Football  
Cross Country (Girls/Boys)

#### ***WINTER***

Cheerleading  
Girls Basketball  
Boys Basketball  
Swimming  
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#### ***SPRING:***

Boys Lacrosse  
Boys Baseball  
Girls Softball  
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## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **Scholastic Activities and Highlights:**

Shadow Day at Academy (Fall)  
Declamations  
Geography Bee  
Seder Meal  
ITO - Innovative Time Off

### **Field Trips:**

DIA (Winter)  
Cross and Light Play (Lent)  
Picnic (Last day of school)  
Promotion Mass (Weeknight Evening)

### **Activity Options:**

Knights in Harmony (Fall/Spring)  
Knights in Rhythm (Band)  
Parish Treble Choir  
STEM Club  
Girl Scouts  
Boy Scouts  
Geography Club

### **Sports Options:**

#### ***FALL***

Girls Volleyball  
Girls Soccer  
Boys Soccer  
Tennis  
Cheerleading  
Football  
Cross Country (Girls/Boys)

#### ***WINTER***

Cheerleading  
Girls Basketball  
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## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **Scholastic Activities and Highlights:**

New Family Barbeque  
All-School Masses including Feast of St. Therese, All Saints,  
and Immaculate Conception  
Advent/Holy Week prayer services  
Winter and Spring Reconciliation services  
Iowa Testing

### **Field Trips:**

Washington D.C. Trip  
Sacred Heart Seminary for Vocations Awareness Day  
A Christmas Carol at Meadowbrook  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat

### **Activity Options:**

Altar Servers  
Band  
Choir  
Chess Team  
Future Problem Solvers  
Student Council  
Talent Show  
Announcement Committee  
Yearbook Committee  
Robotics

### **Sports Options:**

#### ***FALL***

Girls Volleyball  
Girls Soccer  
Boys Soccer  
Tennis  
Football  
Cross Country (Girls/Boys)

#### ***WINTER***

Girls Basketball  
Boys Basketball  
Swimming

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## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **Scholastic Activities and Highlights:**

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Honors/Graduation Mass and Ceremony  
All-School Masses including Feast of St. Therese,  
All Saints, and Immaculate Conception  
Advent/Holy Week prayer services  
Winter and Spring Reconciliation services  
Iowa Testing  
High School Placement Test

### **Field Trips:**

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp  
A Christmas Carol at Meadowbrook  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat

### **Activity Options:**

Altar Servers  
Band  
Choir  
Chess Team  
Comic Club/Gamer's Club  
Talent Show  
Future Problem Solvers  
Student Council  
NJHS (National Junior Honor Society) Open to  
qualified 8<sup>th</sup> graders  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Musical/Play  
Halloween Dance/Activity Nights  
Announcement Committee  
Yearbook Committee  
Robotics  
Pro-Life Club

### **Sports Options:**

#### ***FALL***

Girls Volleyball  
Girls Soccer  
Boys Soccer  
Tennis  
Football  
Cross Country (Girls/Boys)

#### ***WINTER***

Girls Basketball  
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## 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **Scholastic Activities and Highlights:**

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Honors Banquet  
All-School Masses including Feast of St. Therese, All Saints, and Immaculate Conception  
Advent/Holy Week prayer services  
Winter and Spring Reconciliation Services  
Confirmation Celebration

### **Field Trips:**

9<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat  
March for Life trip to Washington D.C.

### **Activity Options:**

Shrine High School Hootenanny  
Fall, Christmas, and Spring Music and Band Concerts  
Welcome-Back Dance  
Spirit Week/Homecoming Events and Dance  
SLEC (Student Leadership Executive Congress) sponsored  
Snowball/Sadie Hawkins Dance  
Fall Play and Spring Musical  
Poetry-Out-Loud Competition  
Eucharistic Minister  
Quiz Bowl  
Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Program

### **Sports Options:**

#### ***FALL***

Girls Volleyball  
Boys Soccer  
Tennis  
Football  
Cross Country (Girls/Boys)

#### ***WINTER***

Girls Basketball  
Boys Basketball  
Hockey  
Swimming

#### ***SPRING:***

Golf  
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## 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **Scholastic Activities and Highlights:**

Honors Banquet  
All-School Masses including Feast of St. Therese, All Saints, and Immaculate Conception  
Advent/Holy Week prayer services  
Winter and Spring Reconciliation services  
National Honors Society Induction

### **Field Trips:**

10<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat  
March for Life trip to Washington D.C.  
NHS Cedar Point trip

### **Activity Options:**

Shrine High School Hootenanny  
Fall, Christmas, and Spring Music and Band Concerts  
Welcome-Back Dance  
Spirit Week/Homecoming Events and Dance  
SLEC (Student Leadership Executive Congress) sponsored  
Snowball/Sadie Hawkins Dance  
Fall Play and Spring Musical  
Poetry-Out-Loud Competition  
Eucharistic Minister  
Quiz Bowl  
Goliards  
Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Program

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Boys Soccer  
Tennis  
Football  
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#### ***WINTER***

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Boys Basketball  
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## 11<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **Scholastic Activities and Highlights:**

Junior Career Shadow Day  
Kairos  
Honors Banquet  
All-School Masses including Feast of St. Therese, All Saints, and Immaculate Conception  
Advent/Holy Week prayer services  
Winter and Spring Reconciliation services

### **Field Trips:**

11<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat  
March for Life trip to Washington D.C.  
NHS Cedar Point trip

### **Activity Options:**

Shrine High School Hootenanny  
Fall, Christmas, and Spring Music and Band Concerts  
Welcome-Back Dance  
Spirit Week/Homecoming Events and Dance  
SLEC (Student Leadership Executive Congress) sponsored  
Snowball/Sadie Hawkins Dance  
Fall Play and Spring Musical  
Poetry-Out-Loud Competition  
Eucharistic Minister  
Quiz Bowl  
Goliards  
Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Program  
Junior Career Shadow Day  
Kairos  
Junior/Senior Prom

### **Sports Options:**

#### ***FALL***

Girls Volleyball  
Boys Soccer  
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Cross Country (Girls/Boys)

#### ***WINTER***

Girls Basketball  
Boys Basketball  
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## 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **Scholastic Activities and Highlights:**

Senior Baccalaureate Mass and Honors Ceremony  
All-School Masses including Feast of St. Therese, All Saints, and Immaculate Conception  
Kairos, opportunity to be a leader  
Advent/Holy Week prayer services  
Winter and Spring Reconciliation services  
College Visits/On-site Acceptance

### **Field Trips:**

12<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat  
March for Life trip to Washington D.C.  
NHS Cedar Point trip

### **Activity Options:**

Shrine High School Hootenanny  
Fall, Christmas, and Spring Music and Band Concerts  
Welcome-Back Dance  
Spirit Week/Homecoming Events and Dance  
SLEC (Student Leadership Executive Congress) sponsored  
Snowball/Sadie Hawkins Dance  
Fall Play and Spring Musical  
Poetry-Out-Loud Competition  
Eucharistic Minister  
Quiz Bowl  
Goliards  
Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Program  
Junior/Senior Prom  
Kairos  
Senior Ball  
All-Knight Party

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## Glossary

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Marketplace:** (*3<sup>rd</sup> Grade*) Students work in groups to form a company to design and create a product to sell. The third graders then sell the products to the first graders using pretend money.

**100<sup>th</sup> Day Celebration:** (*Kindergarten*) On the 100th day of school the students have a special snack, they bring in 100 items (their choice – from paper clips to bottle caps) and weigh them. There are special 100th day art projects, books read and they may even make a chain with 100 links.

**Altar Servers:** (*5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grades*) Students learn how to serve as altar servers and serve during masses. Servers will serve during masses before school, during school masses and Sunday masses. Contact Ellen Kehoe at [shrineservers@prodigy.net](mailto:shrineservers@prodigy.net)

**Art Competitions:** (*All High School Art Students*) Students create and submit art projects to various competitions and festivals, including: Michigan Scholastic Art Award Competition, Michigan Student Film and Video Festival, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center Competition, “An Artistic Discovery” – Congressional Art Competition.

**Book Battle:** (*3<sup>rd</sup> Grade*) Thursdays, after school, from January through March. Students will read assigned books at home and participate in discussion sessions and “battles” (competitions with questions about the stories) during the after school club.

**Camp S’mores:** (*1<sup>st</sup> Grade*) One week of school is designated as “Camp S’mores”. Kids wear play clothes to school and lessons are taught with a camping theme. Parents write letters to their kids to be read each day while they are “away at camp.”

**Chess Club:** (*Academy/High School*) Students meet after school to play chess either as amateurs or in professional tournament venues.

**Christmas Around the World:** (*5<sup>th</sup> Grade*) Students research Advent and Christmas traditions/customs around the world. This is an integrated projects where they do related activities in all 6 of their core subjects; reading, English, religion, social studies, math and science.

**Christmas Concert:** (*1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Grades*) All first and second graders participate in the Christmas concert which takes place in the school gym. Tickets will be mailed out to each family (4 per family) in advance, which will limit the total attendance at the concert. A dress-rehearsal is done during the school day so many siblings will have seen the show during the day and may choose not to attend the evening performance.





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**Comic Club:** (*Academy/High School*) Students discuss, draw, and explore professional comics as well as create original works. When paired with the Shrine Gamer's Club, both groups plan events with food, contests, games, etc.

**Dances:** (*High School*) Dances are held throughout the school year and are sponsored by classes and organizations. Moderators: SLEC, Senior or Junior Class. Guests are allowed at designated dances.

**Dance/Activity Night:** (*Academy*) Students can play sports in the field house, dance to a DJ, play games, enter contests, etc. Sponsored by Student Council.

**Declamations:** (*4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grades*) Students memorize, prepare and perform a declamation for an in-class competition. Assignments will vary based on grade (poems, speeches etc.). Winners from each class will represent their classes in a performance done in front of all of the grades. Parents are invited to the final performance, usually on a Friday morning.

**Dungeons and Dragons Club:** (*Academy/High School*) Students play writing and creative role-playing games after school. Dungeons and Dragons is a fantasy role-playing game that requires strategy, creativity, and luck. A world created purely based on imagination.

**Eucharistic Ministers:** (*High School*) Distribute communion at school liturgies. Students complete training session provided by Shrine Church.

**Field Day:** (*Grade School/High School*) A fun filled day of competitive events held in May for students and faculty.

**Future Problem Solvers:** (*Academy/High School*) Future Problem Solving is a competitive, academic competition which helps students around the globe learn and apply the skills of creative problem solving. Students can compete regionally, at the State Level for the State Bowl at MSU, where first place winners advance to the FPS International Competition.

**Gamers Club:** (*Academy/High School*) Group hosts social events centered on gaming of all types (board games, video games, card games). Gamers Club hosts monthly events at Shrine Catholic High School.





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**Geography Bee:** (*4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grades*) A geography competition for fourth, fifth and sixth graders. Winners for each class will compete in the Geography Bee, held during a school day. Parents do not typically attend. The overall school winner will advance to a Geography Bee competing against other schools.

**Geography Club:** (*5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grades*) Meets once weekly after school to play geography games and have fun learning about geography.

**Goliards:** (*High School*) Shrine's elite singing group who tour and perform all over the Metro Detroit Area. Students must audition for this class and have some experience in prior Shrine music class(es).

**Henry Ford Writing Competition:** (*4<sup>th</sup> Grade*) As an assignment in the fourth grade, students write stories that will be submitted to the Henry Ford writing competition. The essays will be fictional stories based on a historical figure chosen by The Henry Ford each year.

**Homecoming/Spirit Week:** (*High School*) The homecoming activities are planned by the Student Leadership Executive Congress (SLEC). Student have dress-down days associated with themes. There are competitions and sports events.

**Hootenanny Variety Show/Talent Show:** (*Academy/High School*) This audition-based, all school variety show features the creative talents of the school community. From singing, to dancing, instrumental acts, comedy, etc.

**Humanities Series:** (*Academy/High School*) Speakers and performers entertain and inspire students during all-school assemblies.

**Intramural Basketball:** (*1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Grades*) This program takes place on Sunday afternoons in January and February. The sessions are one hour each and designed to teach basic basketball skills. May be run with girls and boys together or separate. Parental participation for coaching is encouraged.

**Instrumental and Choral Festivals, Vocal, Instrumental Music Solo & Ensemble Festivals:** (*Academy/High School*) Band, choirs, individuals, and ensembles compete in district and state competitions.

**Junior Career Shadow Day:** (*High School*) Junior students spend a day with an employer in their field of interest. It is a day-long internship experience with reflection and evaluation of the day.



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**Kairos:** (*High School*) Religious weekend-long retreat for Juniors and/or Seniors exploring personal faith, friendships, and purpose. Eligible through registration and/or application process to be rectors/leaders.

**Knights in Harmony:** (*5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grades*) School choir. Practices are once a week after school. Choir performs a winter concert and spring concert and random weekday school masses. There is a separate fall and spring session, but most children participate in both.

**Knights in Rhythm (Band):** (*3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grades*) Introduction to band and band instruments. Students do not need to play an instrument before starting this program. An informational session is held one evening in the Fall to let students see and test instruments available. If families do not own an instrument for use by the child, families will have to rent or purchase an instrument for use during the season. Practices are held one day before school and one day after school each week. A winter concert and spring concert are typically held on weeknight evenings.

**Knightsmen and Sweet Harmony:** (*High School*) Women's and Men's extracurricular singing ensembles.

**Living Rosary and May Crowning:** (*1<sup>st</sup> Grade*) Ceremony is held on a weekday afternoon in the church. First graders each say one of the prayers of the rosary as the living rosary is done. Mary is crowned in this ceremony as well. Many parents feel this is a "must attend" event.

**Living Biographies:** (*5<sup>th</sup> Grade*) Fifth graders research a famous person, create a poster, and make a short oral presentation to the parents in character, complete with costume. This takes place first thing in the morning and many parents feel this is a "must attend" event.

**Living Stations of the Cross:** (*1<sup>st</sup> Grade*) During the Lenten season, the first graders perform the Living Stations of the Cross. This is done during a school day.

**Math Club:** (*3<sup>rd</sup> Grade*) Wednesday mornings at 7:15 in the third grade classrooms. Third graders are to be dropped off early to school to participate. Siblings are invited to be dropped off at the same time and will be supervised in a separate classroom for quiet activities until school starts.

**Mock Trial Team:** (*High School*) A competitive activity in which students prepare to argue a fictional legal case. Competitions are judged and a winner is declared based on the team's ability to argue and portray their parts believably.



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**Music Ministry:** (*Academy/High School*) Through instrumental and vocal praise, students help prepare Masses and services. Students meet before or after school to help assist accompanists.

**Musical and Play:** (*High School*) The school, audition-based musical and play is presented annually in the fall and spring for the community.

**National Honor Society:** (*High School*) A service organization making important contributions to our school, church, and community. Eligibility: Students of at least sophomore status with a minimum 3.5 GPA and faculty approval.

**Owl Pellet Dissection:** (*2<sup>nd</sup> Grade*) In-class science lab; requires many parent volunteers; sign-ups will be sent out by teacher in advance.

**Parish Treble Choir:** (*4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grades*) Introduction to choir. This is sponsored by the church. Practices are twice per week after school. Choir sings at some masses at Shrine church throughout the year.

**PEP Band and Drumline:** (*Academy/High School*) Women's and Men's extracurricular Instrumental ensembles.

**Poetry Club/Poetry-Out-Loud:** (*Academy/High School*) To provide a haven for Shrine students who love the written word, music and art.

**Polar Express:** (*Kindergarten*) Students wear pajamas to school and watch The Polar Express.

**Pro-Life Club:** (*Academy/High School*) The Pro-Life Club is dedicated to addressing all life issues. The organization participates in the March for Life in Washington, D.C.

**Promotion Mass/Graduation:** (*6<sup>th</sup> Grade*) This mass is held in June especially for the graduating 6th graders. It is a student-led mass recognizing the outstanding achievements of our 6th graders before they head off to Shrine Academy.

**Quiz Bowl:** (*High School*) The Quiz Bowl team participates in competitions with other high school students, answering questions on a variety of topics in quick response form.



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**Reading Buddies:** Students from upper grades are assigned to students from lower grades to be reading buddies. The classes meet together for sessions to read together and share books.

**Reader's Club:** (*4<sup>th</sup> Grade*) Meets once weekly after school in the library. Students bring a book and read that book while lounging in beanbags and with pillows. A separate area of the library is devoted to a teacher reading a book aloud to students.

**Recycling Club:** (*SLEC Members*) A group comprised of SLEC students who help keep Shrine green by gathering recycling throughout the building on a weekly basis.

**Retreats:** (*Academy/High School*) Students travel to Catholic retreat centers with their class to reflect, explore team-building and spend the day together. Prayer, faith forming and Mass are regularly included.

**Seder Meal:** (*6<sup>th</sup> Grade*) In conjunction with the study of the Old Testament and the Exodus experience, the students, with the help of parent volunteers, experience the symbolism of the Jewish Seder meal making connections to Jesus as the fulfillment of the Old Testament.

**Service Club:** (*Academy/High School*) Provides Shrine students opportunities to give back to the community while earning service hours and building friendships. Club leadership plans service opportunities throughout metro Detroit that are published and posted and open to all Shrine students.

**Shadow Day at Academy:** (*6<sup>th</sup> Grade*) Typically held in the Fall, 6th graders are bused up to Shrine Academy where they attend classes, participate in team-building activities, attend a mass and/or pep rally and enjoy lunch in the cafeteria. It is a great way for them to learn about Shrine's Academy!

**Shrine Student Library Board (SSLB):** (*Academy/High School*) An activity for students interested in promoting the importance of reading. Involved in producing the book fair for Academy and High School. The SSLB is also responsible for assisting in the selection new books they feel their fellow students will enjoy reading.

**Shrine Post Office:** (*3<sup>rd</sup> Grade*) Students sort and deliver the mail and help students purchase stamps and get letters in and out of the mailbox. Students in K-3rd grade can send letters to classmates for \$.05 Parents can send singing telegrams to their child for \$1.00 with the proceeds donated to a chosen charity.



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**Shrine United Nations (S.U.N.):** (*Academy/High School*) Students meet once a month to learn about other countries' cultures, languages and traditions. Students also have the opportunity to organize a pot-luck featuring traditional dishes reflective of their heritage.

**Sheep Eye Dissection:** (*2<sup>nd</sup> Grade*) In-class science lab; requires many parent volunteers; sign-ups will be sent out by teacher in advance.

**Spirit Day:** (*Kindergarten – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades*) Held on a Sunday afternoon in late winter or early spring at the Shrine High School & Academy Field House. The Shrine Dad's Club hosts an afternoon of activities for K-3 students which may include relay races, games, and snacks.

**Spring Concert:** (*4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grades*) All fourth and fifth graders perform in a spring concert on a weeknight evening in May. Fourth graders will learn the recorder during music class in the year, and perform musical selections with the recorders. Fifth graders will perform musical numbers using vocals and instruments.

**STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) Club:** (*6<sup>th</sup> Grade*) Meets approximately four times per year for sessions related to each of the disciplines. Provides students with an introduction to careers that use these disciplines. May include hands-on labs and activities.

**Student Leadership Executive Congress (SLEC):** (*Academy/High School*) This group organizes a variety of school activities for the fun, enjoyment, and enrichment of Shrine's students and serves as a liaison with the faculty and administration. Eligibility: All elected class officials plus, NHS President and five elected members who serve as SLEC President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary and Public Relations.

**Technical Support/Stage Crews:** (*High School*) Students will learn to design and build sets, use theatre lights, and mix sound for our annual musical.

**Video Production:** (*11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> Grades*) Students produce and film a video for entry into competitions. Eligibility: Juniors and seniors with two years of art and instructor's permission.

**Vocation Club:** (*Academy/High School*) Students who are open to vocations come together in prayer and discuss their faith and the plan Christ has for all of us.





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**Vocations Essay Contest:** (*5<sup>th</sup> Grade*) Exclusively for 5<sup>th</sup> Graders, students will also have another opportunity to participate once they arrive at the Shrine Academy. Students write a 2-page essay which highlights the life of an inspiring priest, brother, or sister as well as how God might be calling them. Sponsored by Shrine Parish and Tom Ryan.

**World Language Enrichment:** (*Academy/High School*) World Language students attend plays, concerts, festivals, and have the option of travel to Costa Rica, China, or other service locations to enrich their understanding and fluency of the language they are studying.