

UPDATES + REMINDERS

PETS ON THE PARKING LOT AT ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL

For the safety and comfort of all students, please do not bring dogs or other animals onto school property during arrival or dismissal. These times are very busy, and some children may be afraid of, allergic to, or overly excited by animals, which could lead to accidents. Thank you for your cooperation!

FRIDAY MORNING MASS

Beginning Friday, **September 5th**, I, along with other faculty/staff members, will be attending 7:00am Mass every Friday morning in the Church and warmly invite students in grades 4-8 to join me. We will sit together on the Mary side of the Church, near the front, and walk through the Parish Center into school when Mass ends. I hope you'll consider starting the day with us in prayer!

BACK TO SCHOOL SPIRIT WEAR

If you would like to order SC spirit wear please see the attached flyers. There is an order form for adult sizes and an order form for youth sizes. All forms are due to the school office by **September 5th**. Questions? Contact Dana Dalton at drocks25@aol.com.

SCHOOL PICTURES

School pictures are coming up!
 Thursday, September 11th: Preschool & Grades 5-8
 Friday, September 12th: Kindergarten - Grade 4

This year, students should dress up for picture day (no jeans, no spaghetti straps and dresses/skirts should be an appropriate length for school no more than 3 inches above the knee). Please follow the dress-up guidelines in the policy book. Each student will take an individual photo, which will also be used for the class composite.

Ordering is easy!

Online: Visit ordercp.com, click the green "BEFORE or ON PICTURE DAY" icon, enter your student's info and the school event code 10012001, then select your package and background.

By Phone: Call 847-382-7505.

Additional ordering details are attached.

CARDINAL CASH RAFFLE TICKETS

In today's Friday envelope, you will find your family's two Cardinal Cash Raffle tickets along with a letter explaining the details. The Cardinal Cash Raffle is our FSA's largest fundraiser of the year, and each family is asked to sell a minimum of two tickets. We encourage you to sell even more to help make this our biggest success yet! You'll have five weeks to sell tickets—but sell early to qualify for the Early Bird Raffle! Fun incentives will also be offered along the way to keep the excitement going. Thank you for supporting this important fundraiser, which helps us keep tuition affordable and provide the resources our teachers and students need to thrive.

LOST AND FOUND

The school office has already begun to accumulate fleeces and lost items. Please make sure you label your child(ren)'s fleeces, gym sweatshirts, etc so that if found we can easily check the label and return to the rightful owner. Thank you!

POWERSCHOOL

Powerschool access has now been turned on for parent. Powerschool is used to record students' grades (2nd - 8th grade). If you do not have Powerschool access and would like access to check your child(ren)'s grades please contact Mrs. Kemps at skemps@stchristina.org.

ATTENDANCE/TARDY POLICY

On-time arrival and regular attendance are an important part of student learning. Students that arrive late or are regularly absent experience less instruction and success in the classroom. Please be sure that your child(ren) arrive at school each day before the 7:50 tardy bell. If your child is ill and will be absent please contact the school office attendance line at 773.445.2969 prior to 8:30 AM to report their absence and include their name, grade, room number or teacher's name. A link to the school attendance and tardy policies can be found [HERE](#).

i-READY DIAGNOSTIC TESTING

The first i-Ready Diagnostic will be held on **September 8th & 9th** (Math) and **September 15th & 16th** (Reading). All students must have their own earbuds or headphones for testing- we do not have extras. Please make sure your child arrives on time and has a healthy breakfast, as most testing will take place first thing in the morning.

HOT LUNCH

Thursday Hot Lunch will begin in the month of October. To order Hot Lunch for the entire year, please use this link [HERE](#). To order Hot Lunch for the month of October only, please use this link [HERE](#). Orders must be placed by **September 11th**. Also, in regards to our policy change, we kindly ask that families do not bring fast food lunches on hot lunch days to school. Thank you!

POWERHOUR

PowerHour, an after school homework support for 5th-8th grade students, will begin the week of **September 15th**. Our PowerHour moderators this year are Mrs. Baley and Mrs. Lotus. PowerHour takes place on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays after school from 2:30-3:30pm in the Library. Students can opt in to attend or may be required to attend if they have accumulated homework slips and/or are doing poorly in one or more classes. Details to follow.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

Join us on Sunday, **September 21st** at 10:30am for a special Mass honoring our Catholic school teachers and catechists. Catechetical Sunday, observed each year on the third Sunday of September, celebrates those who share and form others in the Catholic faith. Let's come together as a community to thank and pray for our teachers and catechists who guide our children in faith and learning.

SAVE THE DATE

The date for Confirmation is Tuesday, **April 14, 2026**. Please mark your calendars! Confirmation practice will be held on Monday, April 13th at 3:15pm.



MON 9/1
No School, Labor Day

TUE 9/2
Milk Begins

SAC Mtg.

WED 9/3
8:10am Mass

THU 9/4
1:45pm Dismissal
Faculty PD

SAT 9/6
CPD Mass, 4pm
Details attached!

MON+TUE 9/8-9/9
i-Ready Testing

WED 9/10
8:10am Mass

THU 9/11
9/11 Prayer Service

School Pictures for
PreK and 5th-8th

Dress up

FRI 9/12
School Pictures
for K-4th

Dress up

SUN 9/14
10:30am Mass of
Enrollment for 8th Grade
Confirmation Candidates

MON+TUE 9/15-9/16
i-Ready Testing

**MARK
YOUR
calendar**



CARDINAL CALL OUT

AVA KRISTOF

This young Cardinal scholar is as sweet as they can be! She enters School each morning with a smile and a positive attitude ready to learn. She demonstrates concern for others and compliments her fellow Cardinals to let them know she cares. She is a great big sister too!



NATE SELLIS

A huge shout out to this very special 8th grade student for always bringing an incredible amount of spirit to St. Christina! Whether it's stepping up to be our mascot at big games or even on the very first day of school, he never hesitates to say "yes" when asked to help. His energy, enthusiasm, and pride in our school are unmatched. We are so grateful for the joy he brings to our school. Keep being your spirited, one-of-a-kind self. You make St. Christina a brighter place!



OUR GALLERY

WHAT A WEEK! THE YEAR IS IN HIGH GEAR.



i-READY SUMMER LESSONS

Congratulations to the following students that completed weekly i-Ready Reading or Math lessons this Summer. They will be receiving a \$5 Pop's Gift Card for their efforts in their white envelope today! These students will also be entered into a larger raffle drawing as well. The winner will be announced at our first school assembly at the end of September.

Teagan Meyer
Emily Quigley
Quinn Ward
Lana Knytych
James LaPorta
Nathan McInerney
Avery Myslinski
Avery Shrake
Giuliana Folino
Conor Lamb
Abigail Martinez
Camden Sanchez
Rowan Sonne
Maeve Gallagher
Matthew Jenrich
Caden McInerney

Alexis Carroll
Brooke Carroll
Ethan Danksy
Natalee
Dragozetich
Luca Folino
Avery Knytych
Ella McInerney
Anthony Calvino
Patrick Gallagher
Lilyann Glenke
Benjamin Martinez
Easton Willis
Patrick Fitch
Dennis Lanning
Jimmy Moloney

Addison Lawryn
Quinn McCarthy
Caroline Holoubek
Ruby Klupshas
Audrey Sanchez
Jack McCarthy
George Lawryn
Danny Sullivan

NURSE'S CORNER

As we settle into our new routines, a little back-to-school anxiety is completely normal! Deep breaths, consistent sleep, and lots of encouraging words can make a big difference. Sometimes just a few minutes of quiet time or a fun family ritual (like a morning high-five) can help calm those first-week jitters. Speaking of mornings—please don't forget breakfast! It is really the brain's "fuel" for the day! Breakfast helps keep our Cardinals focused and ready to learn.

Beginning after Labor Day, all nurse visits will be documented and a record will be emailed home so parents can stay in the loop. The school nurse is in from 9:00am-1:00pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and 8:00am-1:00pm on Wednesday.



FSA^{25/26}

save the date

3RD ANNUAL 5K RUN 2025

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH at 9 AM

Run details attached.

HARVEST MARKET

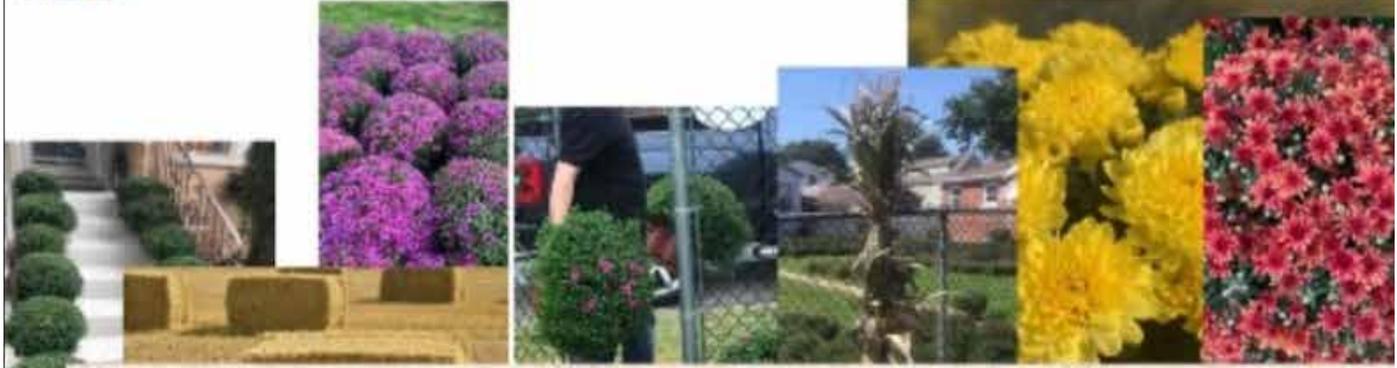
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH, 10 AM - 2 PM / St. Christina Fields

Details attached.

**CLICK HERE
TO SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER**



FARM FRESH MUMS



OUR MUMS ARE THE BEST!

Burgundy:_____ Rust:_____ White:_____ Yellow:_____ Pink:_____

MUMS: \$15 🍊 STALKS \$10 🍊
STRAW: \$12/24" 🍊 \$15/40" 🍊

INFORMATION

NAME:

PH:

Payment due at time of order.

Payment Info:
Check: Beverly Moss
Zelle: 773-993-9191

St. Christina

Forms must be turned in to the School Office by September 3rd.

RUN
WALK
KIDS
DASH

3RD ANNUAL FSA
5K RUN 2025
ST. CHRISTINA
CARDINALS
MT. GREENWOOD PARK



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH @ 9:00AM

**FUN FAMILY
EVENTS!**



Join us at St. Christina Fields after the race for the
HARVEST
Market



SCAN TO REGISTER



STCHRISTINA.ORG

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE! CONTACT 5KSTCHRISTINA@GMAIL.COM

RUN ON OVER TO
ST. CHRISTINA FSA'S



*3rd
annual*

HARVEST MARKET *after the 5K*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

**ST. CHRISTINA FIELDS
10:00AM - 2:00PM**

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

**25+ Vendors
Live music
kids face painting
food trucks**

**Please consider
participating in our
school's 5K before!**

click here



WE ARE STILL ACCEPTING VENDORS!

Contact us at stchristinaharvestmarket@gmail.com

INTERESTED IN SPONSORING THE 5K?

Contact the committee at 5kstchristina@gmail.com

ST. CHRISTINA MASS TO HONOR THE CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT



ST. CHRISTINA
PARISH



SATURDAY
9/6
4PM MASS

All are welcome to attend!

Fr. Dan Brandt, chaplain of the Chicago Police Department, will join us at St. Christina on September 6th to celebrate 4pm Mass with our parish community. This special liturgy will honor and express our gratitude for the dedicated service of the Chicago Police Department, especially the men and women who serve right here in our neighborhood. We invite everyone to come together in prayer, celebration, and appreciation for their work in keeping our city safe.

ST. CHRISTINA CHURCH | 3342 WEST 111TH STREET, CHICAGO

Adult Cardinals Spirit Wear

Design #1(S-4XL) Design #2(XS-3XL) Design #3(S-3XL)



Prices- Adult T-Shirt \$15

Adult Hoodie \$35

Design #	Clothing Item	Size	Quantity	Price

Child Name: _____

Teacher Name & Grade: _____

Please Check One: Check ___ Cash ___ Child Total

Checks made out to CHSD218

Youth Cardinals Spirit Wear

Design #1(XS-XL)

Design #2 (S-L)

Design #3 (XS-XL)



Prices- Youth T-Shirt \$15

Youth Hoodie \$25

Design #	Clothing Item	Size	Quantity	Price

Child Name: _____

Teacher Name & Grade: _____

Please Check One: Check ___ Cash ___ Child Total

Checks made out to CHSD218

Picture Day is Coming!

St. Christina School
 Color Portraits will be taking pictures on:
Thursday, September 11, 2025
Friday, September 12, 2025

Prepaid Ordering as Easy as 1, 2, 3

This year your school is sponsoring a PRE-PAY picture program.
 Payment may be done online or by phone.

Este año su escuela está patrocinando un programa de fotografías prepagadas.
 El pago puede ser hecho en línea o por teléfono.

STEP 1:



Go to: **ordercp.com**
 Click on the green icon
 "BEFORE or ON
 PICTURE DAY"

Ir a: **ordercp.com**
 Presione en el boton verde
 "ANTES O EN EL DIA DE FOTOS"

STEP 2:



Enter your student's
 information and
Your School Event Code
10012001

Ponga la informacion de su
 estudiante y
El Codigo de Su Escuela
10012001

STEP 3:



Choose your package and
 background.

Escoja su paquete y so fondo.



For assistance, please contact customer service at: 1-847-382-7505 Ext.7
 Para ayuda con su pedido, comuníquese con: 1-847-382-7505 Ext.6

****If you are unable to pay online, fill out the information below and return to the photograhер stapled to money order or check on picture day.**
****Si usted no puede pagar en línea, Complete la informacion abajo y entregelo al fotografo engrapada a un giro postal o cheque.**

Background choice	_____	Price	_____	Student Name	_____
Package choice	_____	\$	_____	Teacher	_____ Grade _____
Build your own	_____	\$	_____	Daytime phone	_____
TOTAL DUE	_____	\$	_____	Email	_____

Pay by CASH or make CHECKS payable to:
 Pago en EFECTIVO o CHEQUE a nombre de:

Color Portraits Inc.

EXACT AMOUNT REQUIRED! Photographers are unable to provide change.
Pay separately for each student! Pague cada estudiante por separado!
ENVIE LA CANTIDAD EXACTA! El Fotografo no puede proporcionar el cambio.

School Name: St. Christina School

10012001



Mount Greenwood Branch

11010 South Kedzie Ave

Chicago, Illinois 60655

(312) 747-2805

Mon and Wed 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Tues and Thurs 12 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Friday and Sat 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sunday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

September 2025

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

<p>Registration is required unless otherwise noted.</p> <p>Registration is available online or in person.</p> <p>www.chipublic.org</p>	<p><u>Preschool Story Time</u></p> <p>Join us for this 45 minute program of stories, songs, stretches and a craft.</p> <p>For ages 3-5.</p> <p><i>Wednesdays,</i> <i>September 10, 17, 24 and October 1, 8, 15</i></p> <p><i>11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.</i></p>
<p><u>Art Buffet</u></p> <p>Feeling creative? Just drop in and get making! All materials will be provided, all you need to bring is your imagination. (Prepare to get messy!)</p> <p>For kids of all ages. No registration needed.</p> <p><i>Monday, September 15</i> <i>4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.</i></p>	<p><u>Monster Smackdown</u></p> <p>Face off against a monstrous foe in an exciting table top role playing game! Will heroes win out?</p> <p>For ages 8-14. Space is extremely limited.</p> <p><i>Wednesday, September 17</i> <i>4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.</i></p>
<p><u>Toddler Story Time</u></p> <p>Toddle on in for this 30 minute program of stories, songs, stretches and a craft!</p> <p>For ages 18-35 months.</p> <p><i>Mondays,</i> <i>September 22, 29 and October 6, 13, 20, 27</i> <i>11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.</i></p>	<p><u>Artist Afternoon</u></p> <p>Enjoy a relaxing afternoon of oil pastels!</p> <p>For ages 5-14.</p> <p><i>Monday, September 22</i> <i>4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.</i></p>



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Level Up Book Club

Join us for a book club! Pick up a copy of *Escape at 10,000 Feet: D.B. Cooper and the Missing Money* by Tom Sullivan. Read the book and join us for a fun discussion and activity.



For grades 3-4.

Wednesday, September 24

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Fall Bingo

A fun night for the family!

For ages 4-14.

Thursday, September 25

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Open Block Play

Stop into our block play event to build, explore and create together. This is a drop-in event.

For ages 0-8.

No registration is needed.

Monday, September 29

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Use this QR Code to get to the Mount Greenwood Branch's Events page:



***Congratulations to our
Summer Reading Program
Grand Raffle Winner
Sebastian S!!***