

PROVIDENCE Catholic High School

FAMILY NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2017



MIDWEST AUGUSTINIANS TO CELEBRATE THE SERVICE OF FR. JOHN MERKELIS, O.S.A.

The Midwest Augustinian Province invites the community of Providence Catholic High School to join us in celebrating the extraordinary service of Fr. John Merkelis O.S.A.. At the Fifth Annual Augustinian Gala, on Friday, April 27, 2018, the Augustinian friars, friends, and benefactors will gather at the Drake Hotel in downtown Chicago to recognize the contribution of Fr. Merkelis to Providence Catholic and the larger Midwest Province. Fr. Merkelis will be joined by fellow honorees Br. Jerome Sysko, O.S.A., and Augustinian Affiliates Tony and Phyllis Lauinger.

Fr. Merkelis was ordained to the Augustinian priesthood in 1985 and first assigned to Immaculate Conception/St. Henry Parish in St. Louis, MO. In 1988, he became Director of Pastoral Ministry at Providence Catholic, where he was named Principal in 1994. He was assigned to Saint Jude Parish, New Lenox, Illinois, in 1999 and was appointed Director of Vocations for the Augustinian Province of Our Mother of Good Counsel.

Father Merkelis' term as Director of Vocations ended in June, 2006. He was assigned to Saint John of Sahagún Friary at Providence Catholic High School, New Lenox, in August, 2006. He was again appointed Director of Pastoral Ministry in the school.

Please check your schedules and consider joining us for this wonderful occasion! If you are not able to come, you can also honor Fr. Merkelis through a donation in his name. For more information, and registration/donation opportunities, please visit AugustinianGala.org or call (773) 595-4008.

PREPARING FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

FINANCIAL AID

Please watch for Fr. McGrath's letter which will be mailed to your home next week. Read the letter carefully. Families are encouraged to file their income tax early in order to meet the deadline. This **online** form is **very important**. Both the Providence Endowment Aid and the Joliet Diocesan Aid program use this form to determine the amount of Providence Catholic tuition grants for the next school year.

PRE-PAYMENT RESERVATIONS

For students who will be sophomores, juniors or seniors in the next school year, the **pre-payment reservation deadline is Wednesday, January 17, 2018**. Parents of all students must return the Pre-Payment form with a down payment of \$100 per student by **January 17th**, in order to be assured of a place at Providence Catholic next year. The \$100 pre-payment is applied towards next year's tuition. We ask that the form be returned by this date so we can begin to schedule students with accuracy for the 2018-2019 school year. **Please do not include the pre-payment in your regular tuition payment.** Prepay forms will be included with Fr. McGrath's Financial Aid letter.

STUDENT SCHEDULING & COURSE REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

As Providence Catholic continues our efforts to go paperless, students will be registering for next-year's classes through the Student Portal. Counselors will meet with students in their English classes to guide them through the self-registration process using their devices to access the Student Portal on our Portal Plus system. Following your student's

registration, parents will view, approve, and submit course selections electronically through the Parent Plus Portal. Parents will be emailed specific and detailed instructions during the week of registration.

Below are the dates for student scheduling. Please note: These are different dates than what were published in the paper wall calendar sent to you over the summer. The dates are correct on the Portal.

Freshman Scheduling: January 17-18

Sophomore Scheduling: January 24-25

Junior Scheduling: January 31 and February 1

HARVEST DRIVE E-DIRECTORY

Please utilize the [Harvest Drive E-Directory](#) by patronizing the businesses that support Providence Catholic High School. The E-Directory may be accessed via the PCHS website by selecting the "E-Directory 17-18" button located on the school's main page. As a bonus, please check out the Platinum Level patrons included in this newsletter. Please contact [Mrs. Karen Mahalik](#), Harvest Drive Coordinator, with any questions at (815) 717-3161.



HARVEST DRIVE FREE DAYS: NO SCHOOL

Following tradition, we will celebrate reaching our Harvest Drive goal with TWO FREE days from school. These days are NOT on the calendar. Please update your calendars accordingly. School will not be in session on the following days:

- Thursday, March 29, 2018 (Holy Thursday)
- Friday, April 27, 2018 (Prom)

TUITION: HARVEST DRIVE

Each Providence Catholic student was required to raise \$350 or \$500 for families with two or more students. If this quota was not achieved, the difference was added to your November tuition statement for your December 1 payment. If you have any questions, please call the Providence Catholic Tuition Office at (815) 717-3176.

NEW! TRANSPORTATION PHONE & FAX NUMBERS

Effective immediately, the Transportation Office has new phone and fax numbers. Please update your records.

- Transportation direct line: (815) 717-3031
- Transportation fax line: (815) 717-3030

BYOD REMINDERS



A common problem for students is laptop battery life. Students should charge their laptops every night! Please remind your students about various ways to conserve battery life. Here is [one article](#) about maximizing battery power on Windows laptops. [This article is one for Macbooks.](#)

Students are **required** to have a second power adapter that is kept here at school. We have secure charging lockers in the hallways and surge protectors in the classrooms where students can plug in. But they need a power adapter to do so! (Santa says this would make a great stocking stuffer!)

Unfortunately, we have seen a lot of cracked screens and other damage to student laptops. Most of this is caused by a drop. We know that accidents will happen. We tell students to close their laptops and place it on the seat of their desks

when they need to get up. This can prevent accidental bumps and drops. We **require** students to have a protective sleeve for carrying the laptop during the school day. Some examples can be found [here at Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com).

Our Wi-Fi was updated at the end of October and connectivity is greatly improved! Your student should not be using his/her cell phone as a hotspot. (If you are seeing an increase in data usage on your cell phone bill, that may be why.) This circumvents our network and internet filtering and as such is disallowed per our [Responsible Use Policy](#).



Lastly, please encourage your students to come to the Tech Office for assistance. In most cases, students just need to know how to troubleshoot a problem or perform a simple fix. We are happy to help! Tech Office hours are 7:15 a.m. – 3:15 p.m. when school is in session. The Tech Office is located in Computer Lab 1.

GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENTS



A packet of information about graduation will be distributed the week of January 8, 2018 to all senior students through the Theology classes. Please ask your student for the information so you may place your order.

CAP & GOWN MEASUREMENT

Seniors will be measured for caps and gowns during their lunch period on Thursday, January 18, 2018. If your senior misses this day, there is a make-up measurement day on Tuesday, January 23, 2018 during lunches.

SENIOR ACTS INFORMATION

A gentle reminder to parents of our senior students: The “A Call to Serve Program” (A.C.T.S.) is another opportunity for our students to practice our Faith. The primary focus of ACTS is to bring the message of Jesus Christ to life by providing an experience of Christian service in the everyday world. This service is one of our graduation requirements. After performing his/her twenty-five hours of service, the senior student is asked to submit an evaluation from an onsite supervisor and a personal reflection paper. [Guidelines for these can be found on the PCHS webpage](#). You can also find instructions and forms on your SharePoint page under A.C.T.S. Hours. Do not forget to fill out the pre-approval form for each service project that you complete. Opportunities for service that come to the school’s attention are put in the daily announcements. There is, also, an ACTS bulletin board in the cafeteria where opportunities are posted. Both the Adult On-site Evaluation(s) – (for the total of hours) and the two-page Reflection Paper (paper-clipped or stapled together) will be collected in the seniors’ Theology classes. Please check the website for deadlines.

PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS OF PRESENT SENIORS

We would like to list in the graduation program the names of parents and grandparents of graduating seniors who are alumni of Providence Catholic. This will recognize the continuity and consistency of a Providence Catholic education in our community. If you graduated from Providence Catholic and are the parent or the grandparent of a current Providence Catholic senior, please contact Mrs. Kathy Ball at (815) 717-3177 so that your name may be included in the program.

LEAVE A LEGACY IN THE NEW STUDENT COMMONS

While we are in the very early stages of construction, we are excited for the completion of the new Student Commons!

As we put brick and mortar to our plans, it is not too late for you to be a physical part of our new building. Those donating \$1000 or more are eligible for a paver with a message on it. Create a permanent place for your student’s legacy to be enshrined in our new building. [Leave your mark now!](#)

We are very grateful for the support our parents, alumni, and entire PCHS community has shown for the **100th Anniversary Capital Campaign, Building our Legacy, Every Student...Every Day**. Did you know that 97% of our faculty and staff have made a commitment to the new commons? It is not too late for you to help! Join us in supporting this project. Every gift makes an impact on our PCHS family.

If you have not received information in the mail regarding the upcoming project and are interested, you can find more details on our [website](#) or contact [Jane Lagger](#) at (815) 717-3162.



WINTER SPORTS

Show your Celtic Spirit and support our student athletes this winter! Full schedules can be found on our website under Athletics. Information for season only or all year Athletic passes is included in this newsletter.

CALLING ALL FUTURE CELTICS!

8TH GRADE SHADOW DAYS: ONLINE REGISTRATION

For more information on our Shadow Days, and to schedule a visit online, please visit the [Shadow Day](#) section of our website. Questions? Please contact Mrs. Rachel Ellingson, Director of Enrollment at (815) 717-3160, or via email at rellingson@providencecatholic.org.

8TH GRADE PLACEMENT EXAM, SATURDAY, 12/2/17

ARRIVE BY 7:45 A.M.; TEST BEGINS AT 8:00 A.M.

All current 8th graders who would like to be considered for admission to Providence Catholic as freshmen in the fall of 2018 must take this exam on Saturday, December 2, 2018. Below is important information about this day:

- Pre-registration is required and can be done on the Placement Exam page of our website beginning November 18th
- Students should arrive between 7:30 a.m. - 7:45 a.m.
- The test fee is \$25.00. Cash or check (made payable to PCHS, are accepted.)
- Please bring two #2 pencils.
- **Calculators are not permitted for the test.**
- If you are a Providence Catholic family and have an 8th grade student, they must take the placement day on this day to be considered for admission.



NEW Scholarship Opportunities for the Class of 2022!

Providence Catholic has implemented a new academic scholarship program that will tremendously impact the incoming freshman (Class of 2022). By taking the placement exam on December 2, 2017, your student may qualify for the following scholarships. Below is a breakdown of the scholarship awards based on where your student scores on the placement exam:

Celtic Scholar Award: Score 90%-94% = \$6,000 (\$1,500 per year at PCHS). Must maintain a 3.25 GPA.

Celtic Scholar with Distinction Award: Score 95%-99% = \$10,000 (\$2,500 per year at PCHS). Must maintain a 3.5 GPA.

We want to thank parents, students, and alumni for spreading the word about the placement exam and Providence Catholic. Your efforts have a huge effect on persuading eighth graders and their families that our value laden environment is the answer to their needs. We greatly appreciate all you do to recruit and spread the message of our mission. Again, thank you.

For more information pertaining to our Placement Exam, click on the link: [PCHS Placement Exam](#).

PARENTS: GET INVOLVED



Click on the logos above for more information on how to become involved with the PCHS Men's & Women's Clubs. Flyers for the following upcoming Men's & Women's Clubs events are included at the end of this newsletter.

Toys for Tots Mass & Meeting: Thursday, December 7th

Wreaths Across America: Saturday, December 16th

Catholic School's Week Faculty/Staff Luncheon: Tuesday, January 30th (more info to come!)

Women's Club Spiritual Retreat: February 2-4, 2018 (flyer included in newsletter)

Jesus Christ is the Reason for the Season



DECEMBER & JANUARY CALENDAR

Below is important pertinent to events in December & January. Please refer to the calendar online and in your ParentPlus portal for a full listing of school events.

DRESS DOWN DAY: WEDNESDAY, 12/6

MASS CELEBRATING THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: FRIDAY, 12/8

9:00 A.M., SACRED HEART GYM (BIG GYM)

PROVI EXPRESS CHRISTMAS DANCE: SATURDAY, 12/9

7:30 P.M. – 10:30 P.M., IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY GYM (SMALL GYM)

Tickets for the Christmas Dance will be on sale Thursday, December 7th and Friday, December 8th during lunches.

Tickets are \$15.00 per person. Please make checks payable to PCHS as cash will not be accepted.

This year's Christmas Dance theme is the Provi Express. In keeping with the theme, students may wear Christmas pajamas or ugly sweaters to this casual dance. Students may wear jeans or pants with tops that have sleeves and do not have low cut necklines or bare midriffs.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA: SATURDAY, 12/9

9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M., PCHS CAFETERIA, DOORS OPEN AT 8:30 A.M.

We hope you will join us for the 8th Annual **Breakfast with Santa**! A special Mass for children and their families will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. in the school's Immaculate Heart of Mary Gym. Following Mass, a boxed breakfast will be available for all guests in the cafeteria. There will also be several activity stations for children to visit while waiting to see Santa. **The cost is \$5.00 per person. Children 2 and under are free.** This event is limited to the first 300 RSVPs. Each family should include at least one PCHS alumni, parent of alumni or PCCA family. [REGISTRATION IS OPEN on the Alumni section of the Providence Catholic website.](#)

AYM TOY DRIVE: 12/11 – 12/15

The AYM Christmas Toy/Gift Card Drive will run from **December 11 - December 15**. The Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation is accepting donations to benefit the children and teens fighting cancer. The Treasure Chest Program tries to provide comfort and distraction from the painful cancer treatments.



A list of suggested **GIFT CARDS** (in increments of \$5.00) for a teen include: Walmart, Target, Best Buy, McDonald's, any fast food, or any franchise a teen would shop at. The toy drive will be in memory of Matt Lulinski, Class of 2012. **TOYS** may be games, action figures, etc., for children under the age of 10. Gift cards and toys may be dropped off in room 117. Thank you in advance for your generous donation.

FINE ARTS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM: MONDAY, 12/11

7:00 P.M., SACRED HEART GYM (BIG GYM)

"It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year" to come to the Providence Catholic High School Music Department Christmas Concert! Both Band and the Singing Celtics will be featured in a free concert. Come hear the PCHS bands and choirs perform songs of the season such as *Sleigh Ride*, *Breath of Heaven*, *Ave Maria*, *Carol of the Bells* and many other festive favorites. The concert is free and open to the public. A reception follows the concert.

FINE ARTS CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY: TUESDAY, 12/12

9:20 A.M., SACRED HEART GYM (BIG GYM)



COCOA & CRAM: EXTENDED HOURS IN THE BLC

In order to prepare for semester exams, we are extending the hours of the Blanchette Learning Commons into late afternoon and evening. These extended hours are for PCHS students only. Students will need their IDs to check into the BLC, as well as check out lap tops that will be available for use. A quiet, not silent environment will be fostered.

The BLC will be open the following hours:

Tuesday, December 19: 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 20: 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.*

Thursday, December 21: 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. *

***The BLC is closed during exams.**

A hot "cocoa" table will be available for all students while they "cram" for exams, and students are welcome to bring light snacks. Dress code will not be enforced during the EXTENDED hours of the BLC, but students are asked to dress appropriately. Students may bring their own device as long as it is devoted to only assisting with studying.

Students will be allowed entrance to the building through Door #1 (main entrance on route 30) only.

CHRISTMAS MASS: TUESDAY, 12/19

9:00 A.M., SACRED HEART GYM (BIG GYM)

All alumni and parents are invited to share in our celebration. There will be a reception after the Mass in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Gymnasium (Small Gym) for all alumni.

SEMESTER EXAMS:

Below is the Semester Exam schedule and dismissal times. Buses will run at the dismissal time.

Wednesday, December 20: Periods 0, 1, 2 with dismissal at 10:25 a.m.

Thursday, December 21: Periods 3, 4, 5 with dismissal at 11:40 a.m. (The cafeteria will be closed after school.)

Friday, December 22: Periods 6, 7 with dismissal at 10:25 a.m.

Please note: Light breakfast or donuts will be available for purchase in the morning on these days. There will be no lunch service.



HAVE A BLESSED CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Classes will not be in session
Monday, December 25th – Sunday, January 7th

Classes will resume on Monday, January 8, 2018

NO CLASSES: MONDAY, 1/15, MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

SKI TRIP: SUNDAY, 1/21

Please watch the Daily Announcements for more information on this event.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK MASS: MONDAY, 1/29

9:00 a.m., Sacred Heart Gymnasium (Big Gym)

PROVI'S GOT TALENT: MONDAY, 1/29

7:00 p.m., Sacred Heart Gymnasium (Big Gym)



Join us for our Junior Class Fundraiser, Provi's Got Talent. Come see all the talent Providence Catholic has to offer. Parents and families are invited to attend. There will be a \$10.00 entrance fee per person. For more information, please contact Mrs. Jennifer Williams at jwilliams@providencecatholic.org.

BAD WEATHER POLICIES & ARRANGEMENTS

All parents are aware that freezing temperatures may be dangerous to students who must wait in the cold. It is up to the **individual** parent to determine whether or not their student's health is at risk when the cold is intense. **School will always be held at Providence Catholic when extremely cold temperature is the only hazard to traveling.** When there is snow on the ground, or it is snowing, or there is a threat of snow, and Providence Catholic decides to close school, we will use the Notify system. If a snow schedule is in effect, school will begin **one hour later** and the buses will run **one hour later** to allow snowplows to open roads. This will be conveyed through the Notify system. School will be in session whenever the school buses can run safely. The Notify system will be the main method of notifying school closings or emergency notifications, but you may also do any of the following: Check the PCHS Website and all official Providence Catholic social media pages; listen to any of the following radio stations: WMAQ 67 (AM), WGN 720 (AM), WLS 890 (AM), B 96 (FM), WLS 94.7 (FM), WBBM 78 (AM), and locally WJOL 1340 (AM); call the PCHS Emergency Closing line at (815) 717-3131.

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Click on a logo below to connect online with PCHS!





PLATINUM LEVEL ADVERTISING

Thank you to all patrons who supported Harvest Drive 2017. Below is a listing of all Platinum level sponsors with a link to their ad in the E-Directory. This BONUS listing will be featured in all electronic family newsletters through May 2018. Select ads below for a direct link to the ad listing or view the entire [E-Directory](#) on the PCHS website.

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PROVIDENCE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT
1800 W. Lincoln Highway, New Lenox, IL 60451



Doug Ternik, Athletic Director
Mark Smith, Assistant Athletic Director
Sandy Arthurs, Athletic Administrative Assistant

815-717-3169
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815-717-3170
815-485-8256 Fax

October, 2017

Dear Parents:

Season passes are now available for winter sport athletic events. As you know, your Celtic son or daughter will use their student I.D. to enter all home events. We feel it is a great opportunity for the family to get out and enjoy an evening together. It is also a nice way to support your school teams. Of course, if you purchased an "all sports" pass this past August, you already have access to all Providence Catholic Home Events.

This winter there are seven (7) home boys' basketball games and ten (10) home girls' basketball games. Choose one of the plans below and return to the athletic office with your check. Your passes will be given to your son or daughter at school. Note: There will not be a wrestling pass available due to the fact that the team only has one home match.

The regular admission at the door for boy's events will be \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students (as mandated by the Chicago Catholic League). Admission at the door for girl's events will be \$4.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students, this includes Frosh games in conjunction with Varsity contests. As you can see, purchasing a sports pass is not only a great way to support your teams, but a great bargain.

Your pass will be delivered to your student.

Doug Ternik
Athletic Director

GO CELTICS!!!!

Please cut & return bottom only ✂ -----

GIRLS' BASKETBALL _____ Adult \$36.00 _____ Family \$ 72.00

BOYS' BASKETBALL _____ Adult \$30.00 _____ Family \$ 60.00

STUDENT NAME _____

Check Amount \$_____.00



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PROVIDENCE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC DEPARTMENT

December 13th, 2017

5pm - 8pm

at the Portillo's located at:

**2306 E. Lincoln Hwy
New Lenox, IL 60451**

We look forward to seeing you there!

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The AYM Christmas Gift Card/Toy Drive

December 11th-15th

We will be collecting gift cards for TEENS which will help
support

The Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation



Suggested Gift cards:

Anything that a teenage patient might enjoy
Gift Cards (fast food restaurants, stores)



Toy Drive in honor of Matt “Laz” Lulinski class of 2012. Toys will be donated to children in the hospital

1 gift card- 1 point

1 toy- 1 point

Max of 2 points

Gift cards/Gifts may be dropped off in Room 117- Don't forget to sign the sheet.

NO STUFFED ANIMALS OR DOLLAR STORE TOYS!!

PCHS MEN'S CLUB INVITES YOU TO THE ANNUAL
CHRISTMAS MASS & DINNER
TOYS FOR TOTS COLLECTION
SUPER SWEEPSTAKES TICKET PICK-UP



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

6:30 pm - Sweepstakes Ticket Pick-up

7:00 pm - Mass

7:30 pm - Dinner and Drinks

8:00 pm - Presentation to US Marine Corp

**Remember to bring a new unwrapped toy
for a girl or boy for the
US Marines Toys for Tots Drive**

Please RSVP by December 1

**Email ebarrett@providencecatholic.org
(we need a count for dinner)**

JOIN THE PCHS MEN'S CLUB AT THEIR ANNUAL SERVICE PROJECT

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

A NATION-WIDE PROGRAM WITH A GOAL TO PLACE WREATHS AT THE GRAVES OF OUR SOLDIERS, AT MILITARY CEMETERIES ACROSS AMERICA



WHEN: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2017 at 9 AM
WHERE: ABRAHAM LINCOLN NATIONAL CEMETERY IN ELWOOD (ROUTE 53 & HOFF ROAD)

Providence Catholic Men's Club is teaming with Operation Care Package of Joliet to assist with the distribution of 4,000 wreaths at the graves of soldiers this Christmas season with the goal of ensuring that all designated graves receive a wreath.

We are looking for at least 50 volunteers. All PCHS families are encouraged to join us for this most important and worthwhile event.

This is a great opportunity to bring your sons and daughters. They will help distribute the wreaths and receive service hours for volunteering!

If you would like to be a part of this important service project, please arrive at the

cemetery by 9:00 am and look for our tent. We will help to prepare for the official event which begins for the public at 11:00 am with a brief ceremony and ends at approximately 12:30 pm.

Following the event, volunteers are welcome to a complimentary lunch at the Stone City VFW located at 124 Stone City Drive in Joliet at the corner of Laraway Road and Route 53.

Please try to attend the Men's Club December 7th meeting at 7PM. We will hand out maps and instructions at this time. To volunteer or for more information, please contact:

Jon Schaefer at JPS@PW-LAW.com

“SPIRITUAL WISDOM, SPIRITUAL INSIGHT”

Women’s Club Retreat Weekend, February 2—4, 2018

“The price of wisdom is above pearls.”

Job 28:18



Each day offers multiple opportunities to grow in spiritual knowledge and understanding. By becoming more familiar with the wisdom of Scripture, the teachings of Christian saints and mystics, and the lives of ordinary people devoted to God, we may gain insight into how truly present God is in our everyday lives and how much He yearns for us to enter into a deeper relationship with Him.

Join Fr. John Merkelis, Annie Persicketti, and “Señor” John Sosnowski as they share additional spiritual insights with you, and, in the process, strive to nourish your spirit, warm your heart, and enlighten your mind.

This is a retreat experience that you may not want to miss!



The Providence Catholic Women's Club and the Pastoral Team Proudly present the

15th Annual Spiritual Retreat Weekend

February 2-4, 2018

Spend time nurturing your spirit through prayer, reflection, quiet time, relaxation and camaraderie. The retreat offers time away in the relaxing comfort of Marina Grand Resort on Lake Michigan. Enjoy the company of other women and the opportunity to spend time deepening your relationship with the Lord.

LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE—SAVE YOUR SPOT BY SENDING YOUR \$100 DEPOSIT PER PERSON OR PAYMENT IN FULL. RESERVATIONS WILL BE HONORED ONLY UPON RECEIPT OF THIS FORM AND DEPOSIT AND WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER OCTOBER 30th.

- Deposits received after all spaces are filled will be held and your name placed on a waiting list in the order received.
- **You are responsible for finding roommates.**
- **FINAL PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 9TH.**
- All checks payable to **PCHS Women's Club**. Only **Visa**, **Discover** and **MasterCard** are accepted.
- Financial need assistance is available—contact Pastoral Department 815-717-3139.
- **DEPOSITS ARE NONREFUNDABLE.**

Mail payments and retreat form to

Melissa McGuire
929 Stonebridge Way
Woodridge, Illinois 60517

For further information contact

Melissa McGuire at 630-738-4345
pchsretreat@gmail.com

PLEASE PRINT INFORMATION --COMPLETE ONE FORM PER PERSON

Name of Retreat Participant _____

IS THIS YOUR FIRST RETREAT YES NO

Name(s) of Roommate(s) _____

Lunch Choice _____ Dinner Choice _____

Room Type Cost \$ _____ Dinner Upcharge\$ _____ (if applicable)

Total Charge\$ _____

Email address _____

Street Address _____ Home Phone _____

City/State & Zip _____ Cell Phone _____

Payment Method—Checks payable to PCHS Women's Club

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PRICING INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING

- Two Night Stay at the Marina Grand Resort 600 W Water St, New Buffalo, MI 49117
- Heavy appetizers on Friday evening (Barbeque Meatballs, Egg Rolls with Sweet and Sour Sauce (Pork or Vegetarian), Raspberry and Brie Stuffed Phyllo, Domestic and Imported Cheeses with Crackers, Tortilla Chips with Guacamole and Salsa)
- Breakfast Buffet Saturday and Sunday Morning
- Lunch and Dinner on Saturday (please note that a food option must be chosen for these meals)

<i>people</i>	1pp	2pp	3pp	4pp	5pp	6pp	7pp	8pp
Double Queen	348	264	232	222				
King	348	264	232					
One Bedroom Suite	432	348	316					
Lofted Suite	464	378	326	294				
King Suite w/ attached Queen	684	514	348	306	284	274	264	264
King Suite w/Loft & attached King	716	548	378	338	306	294	295	284

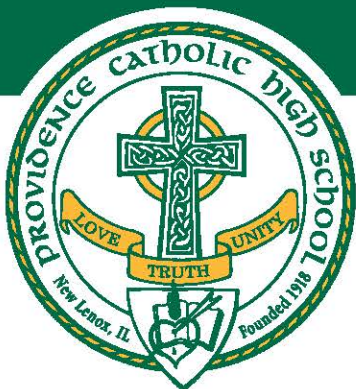
**PLEASE NOTE THERE ARE FOOD OPTIONS FOR LUNCH AND DINNER ON SATURDAY – MUST MAKE A CHOICE AND FILL IN ON FRONT ORDER FORM.
(FRIDAY IS A SET BUFFET)**

Saturday Lunch

- Turkey Bacado – Sliced Turkey Breast, Bacon, Avocado, Mayo, Field Greens and Tomato on Multigrain Ciabatta
- California Vegetable Wrap – Zucchini, Red Pepper, Green Onion, Cucumber, Spinach, Basil, Carrot, and Boursin Cheese
- Southwest Chicken Salad - Pulled Chicken, Black Beans, Corn, Avocado and Cilantro with Mixed Greens and Shredded Cabbage, Honey-Lime Vinaigrette and Crunchy Tortilla Strips

Saturday Dinner

- Bangkok Chicken with Steamed Rice and Cucumber Salad
- Farfalle with Asparagus, Roasted Pepper, Mushrooms and Spinach in White Wine Lemon Cream Sauce
- Skuna Bay Salmon grilled, over roasted cauliflower, brussel sprouts, zucchini and quinoa with cherry tomato basil vinaigrette **Please note that this option has an upcharge of \$10
- 8oz Beef Tenderloin with Shallot Port Wine Butter, Garlic Mashed Potatoes and Asparagus ***Please note that this option has an upcharge of \$20



Providence Catholic High School

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 9

9 am - 11 am

Register at: www.providencecatholic.org

- **Children's Mass**
- **Activity Stations**
- **Continental Breakfast**
- **Visit from Santa**
- **Doors Open at 8:30 am**
- **\$5 per person**
- **2 and under Free**
- **Doors open at 8:30 am**
- **Enter door #1 or #14**

LIMITED TO THE FIRST 300 RSVP'S:

Questions:

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