

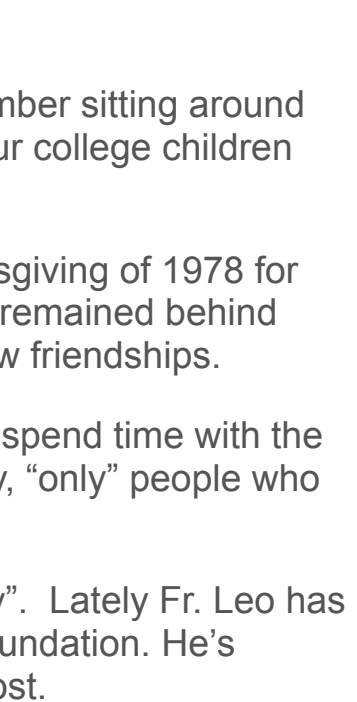


Cardinal Mooney High School CMHS



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 22, 2020



Thanksgiving looks different, but the 'power of gratitude' remains the same

Dear Mooney Family,

Happy Thanksgiving.

For most of us this will be a different Thanksgiving — different in the number sitting around the table, different in terms of fewer traveling, different in that many of our college children won't make it home, and different in the loss of family members.

I can empathize with college students who cannot make it home. Thanksgiving of 1978 for me was spent in Crane Hall. I blame Amtrak. Nevertheless, those who remained behind collected our care packages, made a feast, and were grateful for our new friendships.

A few years back, the idea of "Friendsgiving" sprung up freeing many to spend time with the people who enrich their lives the most. There are many displaced, lonely, "only" people who now enjoy "Friendsgiving".

While in Toledo, I met Fr. Leo, The Cooking Priest who "beat Bobby Flay". Lately Fr. Leo has been reintroducing mealtime to families and others through his Table Foundation. He's bringing friendship and the Gospel messages to many who have been lost.

Whether we celebrate Thanksgiving with only our immediate family, or friends who most enrich our lives, or in our dorm room, we can all benefit from the sheer simplicity and beauty of the concept and execution — giving thanks together while breaking bread.

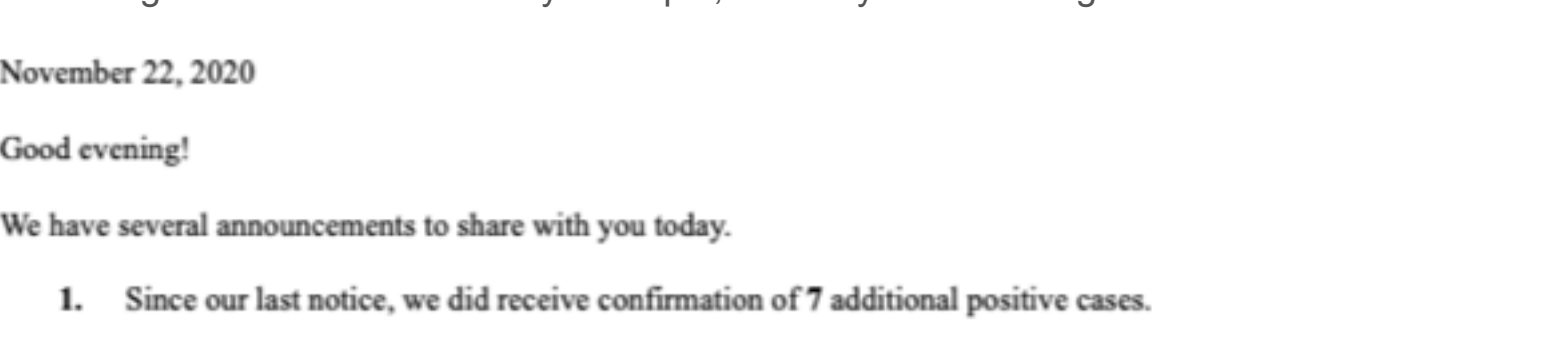
I have been around the country and twice outside the country during Thanksgiving time. I have yet to meet anyone, of any faith, who does not appreciate the power of gratitude. Given our tumultuous time under COVID, political uncertainty, and cultural unrest, it is hard to think of a holiday more suited to our multi-faith, multi-ethnic nation than Thanksgiving.

And while COVID will change who we celebrate with, let us remember the origin of this national day of thanks. It is indeed more rooted in Abraham Lincoln's Oct. 3, 1863 Proclamation than in the Pilgrim harvest of 400 years ago. By declaring a period of Thanksgiving in a time of national crisis, President Lincoln grounded the day not as a day of celebrating prosperity and joy, but as a time of reflection and connection — even in great adversity.

This Thanksgiving, let us be reminded that we have endured a lot before, now, and for a while longer ... and we have come out of it. Whether personally or collectively, we as a people have persevered through harder times ... and will continue to do so. For that we should be thankful.

In that aforementioned proclamation, Lincoln said: "... set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next, as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens."

And we're thankful that you entrust your most prized possession with us.



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Abraham Lincoln Oct. 3, 1863

To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King

Lord, You are the sovereign King of the Universe.

You are Lord of all.

Come reign in my life and make my soul Your holy dwelling place.

Lord, come transform our world and make it a place of true peace and justice.

May Your Kingdom come!

Jesus, I trust in You.

COVID UPDATE

A message from Cardinal Mooney Principal, Dr. Mary Anne Beiting:

November 22, 2020

Good evening!

We have several announcements to share with you today.

- Since our last notice, we did receive confirmation of 7 additional positive cases.
- Please see the link to some important information from Mr. Maj. He will give you a complete explanation of why we are announcing that we will be switching to remote learning at this time for all students. Here is the link: <https://youtu.be/gtIXDLLocoM>

- Thanks to all who have kept us up-to-date about health issues through this unprecedented time. While we are in remote learning, please continue to let me know if your household's situation changes and you seek testing for COVID. If you are waiting for a test, please let us know when you hear whether the results are positive or negative. If there is a positive case, we are responsible for tracking that. You can email me (mbeiting@youngstowndiocese.org) or call/text me (330.592.2955).

- In addition, I am attaching to this message a copy of the Remote Learning Contract. It spells out our expectations and procedures for how we will operate during remote learning. It is important that each student be ready at the start of class and participate throughout it. At the end of the document there is a sign off sheet for parents and students to complete. If you have already completed and returned one of these, there is no need to do a new one. Please scan, fax (330.788.4511) or send me a picture of your signed document.

- Here is the schedule for this short-term remote session for all students:
 - Friday, 11/20 – No classes. Teachers will have a Professional Development Day for preparations.
 - Monday, 11/23 and Tuesday, 11/24: Remote classes on regular schedule (8 am-3 pm). Join each class by Zoom or Google Meet. Each teacher will let the students know the codes.
 - Wednesday, 11/25-Sunday, 11/29: Thanksgiving break. No classes. Have a blessed holiday!
 - Following social distancing and other safety protocols will help us avoid an increase in cases when we return to in-person classes. We need your cooperation, please.
 - Monday, 11/30 and Tuesday, 12/1: Remote classes on a regular schedule (8am-3pm). Join each class by Zoom or Google Meet, per your teacher's instructions.
 - Wednesday, 12/2: Return to in-person learning.
 - If a student is sick and unable to participate in a class, please email pkalasky@youngstowndiocese.org.
 - Unlike the spring, we are required to keep attendance records and record absences.
 - Beginning 11/23, all extra-curricular activities are cancelled.

Daily, regular schedule:

- Period 1: 8:00- 9:45
- Period 2: 9:50-11:20
- Period 3A: 11:25-11:50
- Period 3B: 11:55-12:55
- Period 3C: 1:00-1:25
- Period 4: 1:30-3:00

- Because of these changes, **Parent/teacher conferences will not be held on December 2.** We will instead hold virtual conferences on **December 9** from 5:30-8 pm.

7. Remote Learning Contract Revised 11/19/20

Cardinal Mooney High School Parent Contract for Virtual Learning due to COVID-19 2020 – 2021 School Year

When parents choose to have students participate remotely from home (for health and safety reasons) instead of attending school or when the school notifies the parents that a student is to switch to remote learning, the following guidelines will apply:

As described in the Reopening Plan, students will adhere to the regular school schedule, checking in on-time for each of the day's classes and participating in those classes. Attendance is based on the student being present throughout the class period in this way.

Parent/Guardian responsibilities:

- Meet with administration to plan for remote learning and sign Virtual Learning contract. If the school initiates the remote learning, the school will, notify the parents.
- Make sure the student takes care of, charges and uses the Chromebook provided by CMHS to access classroom instruction and complete assigned work. Smart phones and iPads are not effective devices for remote learning.
- Provide Internet access with bandwidth that will allow students to participate in classroom instruction, live streaming, and complete assignments. Parents will notify the school if there is a problem with the home's Internet capacity.
- Provide an appropriate space with no distractions (no television, radio, or other distractions) when a student is participating remotely in classroom instruction and all related school activities.
- Monitor appropriate use of technology and the Internet. All school policies including the school Code of Conduct and the Technology and Internet Responsible Use Policy are expected to be followed.
- Provide the school with current phone numbers (available during school hours), current address, and current email address.
- Make appointments to bring the student to school for testing and monitoring.
- Parents will not post or repost any lessons (recorded or otherwise), grades, and/or assignments that result from participation in Cardinal Mooney High School.
- Notify the school and meet with administration when your child plans to return to the classroom to discuss the transition from remote learning. This contract is on a semester basis and may be renewed or terminated at least one month before the semester ends and the new one begins. This clause does not apply if the school initiates a short-term, remote learning plan.
- Pay all tuition and fees according to the school tuition contract.
- Keep an open line of communication with teachers, counselor, and administration about the student's success and challenges. Follow updates as posted in the school's Bulletin each week.

Student Responsibilities:

- Use the Internet appropriately as agreed to in the Student Technology and Internet Responsible Use Policy contract.
- Follow the daily routine of your class schedule and complete all assignments. Check in on time and participate throughout the class or Office Hour.
- Complete and submit all assigned work according to the timeline established by each teacher.
- Use only the school-assigned Google gmail account (@cardinalmooney.com) for communicating with the teacher during direct instruction or submitting assignments.
- Communicate with teachers using school-assigned @cardinalmooney.com account in appropriate ways, especially when participating in livestreaming of a class or activity. Be respectful of the teacher's time and correspond with the teacher during class time or his/her planning period, or after school until 4 pm. Do not email teachers after 6 in the evening. Allow the teacher 24 hours to respond to any communication from you.
- Students will not post or repost any lessons related to work for Cardinal Mooney High School.
- If a student is ill, the parent or guardian must call the student off for the day.

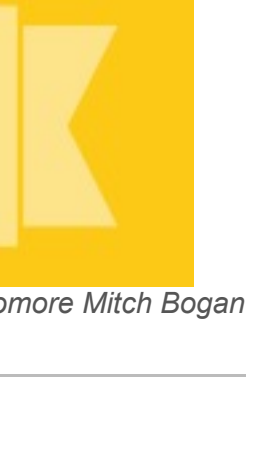
- Students should dress appropriately for school, as outlined in the reopening document (dress code for shirts/tops, expectations, behavior and procedures when on video chat platform, etc.)
- A student may participate in school virtual extra-curricular activities but not in-person ones.
- Regarding a semester request to be remote: If a student falls behind academically or fails to attend/participate in classes during the first quarter of a semester, the school reserves the right to cancel this contract and require the student to return to in-person schooling in hopes of remediated student performance for the second quarter of the semester.
- Students must remember that earning an education is their primary job and not seek to find work during the regular school hours of 8am-3 pm.

Inappropriate use of technology (bullying, cyber bullying, social media, unauthorized websites, etc.) during school hours or as designated by the school Code of Conduct will require a meeting with the principal and will result in disciplinary action.

Teacher and School Responsibilities:

- Instruct students in the use of technology that will be used.
 - Student will receive a Chromebook and charger and be responsible for its upkeep
 - Students will adhere to the technology and Internet Policy and parents will ensure the student has working Internet service or contact the school for a resolution.
 - G Suite will be the primary learning management system used by the school. Google Meets and Google Classroom are important elements for instruction and assessment. The teachers also will use Zoom. Other apps would be individualized for the needs of the content area and student.
- See the Schedules as noted in the reopening document. The alternative bell schedule will remain the same as previous years.
- The teachers will provide classroom instruction following the curriculum aligned with state standards.
- Teachers will use Google Classroom as the primary learning management system to post assignments, a calendar for due dates, assessments, and all aspects of the classwork.
- Monitor student work and provide feedback.
- Respond to emails from students and parents.
- Teachers will be available daily during the normal school hours by email. Parents or students can email the teacher and he/she will be arranged within 24 hours. A mutually agreed upon time for the teacher to call the student or parent can be arranged. We always encourage the students to take the first step in problem solving by initiating a conversation about any questions or difficulties they have in order to learn to take active responsibility for their learning.
- Provide technology support.
- Assume the cost of any school-chosen instructional programs used by the student for virtual learning.
- Keep ongoing communication channels open and active.

Everyone deserves access to affordable Catholic Education



#GIVINGTUESDAY
DECEMBER 1

SUPPORT YOUR FAVORITE LOCAL CATHOLIC ORGANIZATIONS

1 VISIT
iGiveCatholic.org



2 SEARCH
for your parish, school, or ministry



3 DONATE
\$25 or more

ADVANCED GIVING DATES: NOVEMBER 16-30

#IGIVECATHOLIC

"Giving Tuesday" is part of our Annual Appeal. This new initiative seeks to take generosity and amplify it ... to take passion and focus it, and to harvest its impact year after year.

I'm pleased and grateful that we have an opportunity to double the impact with a generous matching gift up to \$25,000.

Your contribution nourishes the best in our students, in Mooney, and in our community. Where giving thrives, Mooney thrives.

Thank you for considering Mooney for your charitable contributions.

Please visit Youngstown.igivecatholic.org to find Cardinal Mooney.

CMHS Speech & Debate

A large portion of our team's strength this season rests on the shoulders of two returning and two Olivia DeCesare (junior, Lincoln Douglas Debate).

They join Millie Heschmeyer (junior, Dramatic Interpretation) and Mitchell Bogan (sophomore, United States Extemporaneous) as our four returning national qualifiers.

Having competitors with these types of accomplishments makes coaches so comfortable, but it also presents new challenges: What do we do for these students, so that can build on that success.

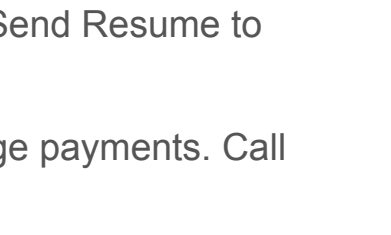
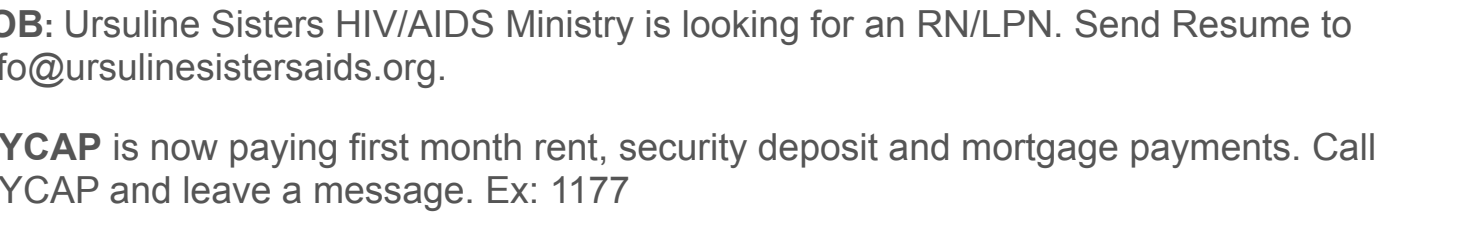
Luckily, we're blessed with young people who have the competitive spirits necessary to rise to these challenges — and refuse to rest on their laurels.

This was evident last week, when the coaches decided to press each of our students — no matter where they sat on the steep learning curve of Speech & Debate. The result was season-best performances across the board ... and FIRST PLACE finishes from Baker, DeCesare, and Heschmeyer on Saturday.

The message to Mooney speakers and debaters is the same as it is to the rest of our students: You are capable of GREAT things, and we will guide you to them.

It was a wonderful day for the team headed into the Thanksgiving break. Now, we can all step back, give thanks for God's gifts, and be ready for the work that waits for us.

Vince Taddei, '92
Director of Forensics



Austintown Fitch Tournament 2020

- MILLIE HESCHMEYER - 1ST - DRAMATIC INTERPETATION
- OLIVIA DECESARE - 1ST - LINCOLN DOUGLAS DEBATE
- MAUREEN BAKER - 1ST - UNITED STATES EXTEMPORANEOUS

Graphic design by sophomore Mitch Bogan

Christmas coloring challenge

Grade school students ... JOIN US FOR A FESTIVE HOLIDAY ART CHALLENGE!

Submit your coloring page or original Christmas drawing to CMHS by Friday, December 4th.

Prizes will be awarded! Sponsored by the Cardinal Mooney Art Department!

Visit [this page](http://thispage) on CardinalMooney.com for details!

PRESENTED BY THE CARDINAL MOONEY HIGH SCHOOL ART DEPARTMENT

PRIZES FOR EACH COMPETITION

School notes

WEEKEND MEALS AVAILABLE: Students will be eligible to take home two breakfasts and two lunches for the weekend. These packaged meals will be free and come with milk. The National School Lunch program will offer this every Friday for the rest of the year. Students must sign up for their weekend meal at Thursday's lunch period. Meals will be distributed from the cafeteria at dismissal on Fridays. Ken Stablein of AVI Food Service will be walking table to table on Tuesday to answer students questions regarding our meal programs.

THE NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM is temporarily offering students free meals. According to the USDA, students will have free meals as late as December 31, 2020, or until funding runs out to help children have access to nutritious food as the country recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Free and Reduced School Meal Applications are available on our website for the 2020-2021 school year. We encourage all eligible families to fill out the application in order to be ready to resume the Free and Reduced School Lunch program in January 2021 and for other qualifying purposes.

CAFETERIA NOTES — Mooney families can access important cafeteria information, including this week's menu [here](#). For any questions, please contact Lori Radinsky at LRadinsky@youngstowndiocese.org or by phone at (330) 788-5007, ext. 123.

SENIOR PICTURES are due December 7th. The pictures need to be head and shoulders, color and done by a professional photographer. No homemade pictures will be accepted. Boys need to be clean shaven, cannot be wearing earrings and cannot have visible tattoos. Girls cannot have other piercings than their ears, no visible tattoos and cannot be showing cleavage. The yearbook staff reserves the right to deny photos not meeting the set criteria or are not in good taste or quality. Email pictures to jpolly@youngstowndiocese.org.

WRTA BUSSING: For our Youngstown families in need of transportation, WRTA is free through the end of 2020. Passes are not required at this time. Should the situation change, we will let you know immediately.

Help while you shop

Earn money for Cardinal Mooney every time you shop at Rite Aid. [Sign up](#) and get started.

- Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchase to **Cardinal Mooney High School** whenever you shop on AmazonSmile.

AmazonSmile customers can now support Cardinal Mooney High School in the Amazon shopping app on iOS and Android mobile phones! Simply follow these instructions to turn on AmazonSmile and start generating donations. Open the Amazon Shopping app on your device. Go into the main menu of the Amazon Shopping app and tap into 'Settings' Tap 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the process. **All you need to do is start your shopping at smile.amazon.com. The donation will be made at no extra cost to you!**

Community resources

COMMUNITY LEGAL AID SERVICES: If you're having issues with your unemployment claim, legal aid may be necessary. Call 1-800-998-9454 for information.

FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION
Wednesday Nov.25
7067 Tiffany Blvd
Youngstown, 44512
Pull up in your car with your trunk open

WRTA: All rides are free, but masks are required. Call (330)941-5789 for more information about the route.

SALVATION ARMY: Christmas assistance is available to Mahoning County residents. Register for Christmas toys (up to age 12) and / or a food vouchers every Tuesday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call (330) 270-5999 for more information.

FINANCIAL HELP is available for Mahoning County residents behind on rent, mortgages, and utility bills starting Nov. 2. Call MYCAP 330-747-7921 ext-1177.

JOB: Ursuline Sisters HIV/AIDS Ministry is looking for an RN/LPN. Send Resume to info@ursulinesistersaids.org.

MYCAP is now paying first month rent, security deposit and mortgage payments. Call MYCAP and leave a message. Ex: 1177