

BENEFITING SACRED HEART SCHOOL

Dear Sacred Heart Supporters,

May 8, 2020

## If the year 2020 had a theme, it would be "STAY AT HOME."

All things considered, it seems only fitting that we adopt this theme for the 2020 Sacred Heart Bazaar. As much as we long to fill our gym with spaghetti and sausage and our parking lot with midway games and kids, we know it just isn't time yet.

And yet, we still need to ensure that our school can be ready and able to meet the needs of students and families in the Fall so it is imperative that we come together, albeit virtually, and provide the funds needed to operate. To accomplish this, we invite you to join us for our first (and hopefully only!) "Stay at Home" Bazaar.

The Stay at Home Bazaar will occur the same week in which we would normally be engaged in a flurry of Bazaar setup. Although donations can be sent any time via mail, online, or dropped off in the box in front of church, our online giving portal will officially open Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup> and close Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at 5pm, the time at which the bazaar would normally open for business. You can check the portal anytime to see how close we are to our \$80,000 goal. Details and giving portal will be posted online at <a href="https://www.sacredheartmorrilton.org">www.sacredheartmorrilton.org</a>.

Revenue from the Sacred Heart Bazaar typically represents around 11% of the school's operating budget. We are setting our goal below that of our usual Bazaar goal and we will need everyone's support to meet it.

We know that you typically provide a great deal of support to the bazaar each year. **Be it a donation to help us** secure raffle prizes, purchasing bingo prizes and baking pies, providing or buying silent auction items, or paying for dinners, it all adds up for each of us and for the school. We have a list on the back of this letter detailing several impact areas of the bazaar. We hope you will prayerfully consider what you would have given/spent at the bazaar and make a stay at home gift this year instead. If you already sent in your donation and/or raffle ticket order, we will apply it as a donation for the Stay at Home Bazaar, unless we hear otherwise from you.

We know that many of our families have been financially impacted by recent changes and cannot make a gift at this time; we ask that those who have not suffered financially to consider filling the gap for those who have. We sincerely appreciate your consideration, support, and your prayers during this uncertain time. We also ask you to thank and support our sponsors, listed within, who have generously continued their support of the Bazaar this year.

Sincerely,

Patrick & Katie Hartman & Dustin & Megan Voss, Bazaar Committee Co-Chairs

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P.S. We know some of you love Bazaar t-shirts so we are selling a revised version of our t-shirt to reflect the Stay at Home theme. The form is enclosed. Orders due June 5; t-shirts will be distributed in July.