



AGENDA

Our Lady of Mount Carmel CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

November 28, 2023, 6:00 pm

Chapel

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Land Acknowledgement and Opening Prayer- M. Ruggi Dietsch
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda November 28, 2023
4. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest - None
5. Approval of the Meeting Minutes of the Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Catholic School Council Meeting September 26, 2028

B. Chair's Report PRESENTATIONS

C. POLICIES FOR VETTING-FEEDBACK

The following Governance Policies are currently being reviewed as part of the [Establishment and Cyclical Review of Policies Policy \(100.5\)](#) review process.

To be considered, all submissions must identify the specific Governance Policy and include your name, phone number, address and affiliation with Niagara Catholic.

Anonymous or pseudonymous submissions will not be considered

- [Safe and Accepting Schools Policy 302.6](#)
- [Dress Code – Secondary Uniform – Safe Schools Policy 302.6.6](#)
- [Corporate Cards Purchasing Cards and Petty Cash Policy 600.4](#)

Please submit your feedback to [Anna Pisano](#) by 12:00 p.m. December 13, 2023

- [Employee Hospitality Policy 201.14](#)
- [Student Transportation Policy 500.2](#)

Please submit your feedback to [Anna Pisano](#) by 12:00 p.m. January 23, 2024

D. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

1. Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Report
2. Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Report
3. Catholic School Council Financial Report
 - Chromebook Purchase - 100 Chromebooks - \$40 000 (combination of Lottery, fundraising, and board budget)
 - Pasta Day- November 22 - 463 orders
 - Pita Day- December 20, 2023
4. PA Days- Focus was on Literacy- new reading screeners, Math - the use of Knowledgehook program and closing the gaps in learning, and Mental Health/Grade 7/8 Health & Family Life program
5. Christmas Raffle - Draws: Dec. 11-15 daily draw of \$300 Dec.18-19 two daily draws of

- \$300 each, Dec. 20 - 2 draws of \$650 each and 1 draw of \$1500
6. Reconciliation Grade 3-8 in gym December 12, 2023
 7. ChoirFest - Our Choir will be performing on December 13th at 1:00 pm at the Pen Centre
 8. Structured Literacy Support Monthly for our Grade 7 & 8 Teachers- Destreaming Coach
 9. Book Fair until December 8, 2023 - Open to parents on December 5, 2023 - 3:30 - 5:00 pm
 10. Administrative appointments

E. OAPCE REPORT

F. STAFF REPORT

- Diversity and Inclusivity Presentations- November 26, 2023 - Executive Director of Welland Heritage Council and Multicultural Centre, Janet Madume presented to the students by division. Students completed follow-up activities
- Joy Day - December 1, 2023 - Door Decorating Contest-to be judged by Student Council- rubric given to the classes
- Hosted Volleyball Tournament for the Niagara Falls Large Schools
- Hosted Brock University Women's Volleyball Team
- Saint Michael Road Show- December 13, 2023
- Christmas Classroom Parent Visits for Primary

G. PARISH REPORT/COMMUNITY REPORT

- Children's Liturgy- 11:00 AM on Sunday
- Support St. Thomas More BINGO- Twice monthly- see bulletin for dates
- Grade 2 and 8 students were given Registration Packages for First Communion and Confirmation. Today was the last day to submit packages.
- CHRISTMAS ANGEL TREE Please pick an Angel from the tree in the front foyer. Bring your unwrapped gift and place it under the tree. Gifts will be collected from now until December 18, 2023. They will then be delivered to Project Share where registered families may go and pick out what is suitable for their child. Any questions please call Rosemarie Gizzie at 905-380-8040
- ST. VINCENT de PAUL NEEDS HELP If every Family could donate ONE TWOONIE, every Sunday in the SSVP boxes (one is located in the front foyer of the Church and another at the side door) We are sure we will be able to continue helping people in need of "an emergency" food voucher. This could become a Sunday habit!
- ST. VINCENT DE PAUL will be serving coffee and goodies, to "thank you" for your donations during the year, December 10, 2023 after 9 & 11 am Mass
- THE CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PLAY will be performed again on December 24th prior to the 5:00 Mass. Open to children ages 4 and up. Looking for student and adult volunteers to assist. Practices will begin on November 19th, 2023. Flyers are in the front foyer of the Church with practice dates. Please register your child by contacting Anna Racine at 905-358-3412 or rracine37@cogeco.ca.
- CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR- Please consider joining our children's Christmas choir. Vocal Instruction and Rehearsals are Held on Monday from 5-6 pm in the Choir Loft Contact: Maureen Chamberlain (Parish Director of Music) Musicstthomas@cogeco.net for more information
- Envelopes for 2024 are ready to be picked up in the front foyer. Please take the time to pick up your envelopes and ensure that your number is correct.

H. AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSION FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

I. NEXT MEETING - Wednesday, January 17 at 6:00 pm

I. CLOSING PRAYER - M. Ruggi Dietsch

J. ADJOURNMENT