

**White Team**  
*St. Ignatius*  
85 Points

**Red Team**  
*St. George*  
90 Points

**Black Team**  
*St. Catherine*  
140 Points

# The Bobcat Times

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News for the Bobcats by the Bobcats

The St. Bartholomew School

## Eighth Grade Saints

By Zoe Brown

In preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation the eighth graders chose a saint to research. During the All Saints Day mass, the entire eighth grade dressed up as their saint and shared a brief biography about how their saints inspired them. Some of the saints were St. Francis of Assisi, St. Maria Goretti, and St. Teresa of Calcutta. Father Mark described the biographies as some of the best he has ever heard. The saint that each chose will be their saint for confirmation. Later in the year they will



present a “Wax Museum” experience for the whole school. These saints will be their patron saints for all their lives. That is why it is so important to learn, study, and pray to your saint to guide you on the right path after you graduate. All of the eighth

graders have been practicing and learning about their saint so they can be able to know their saint well. The saint mass is a great opportunity for us to learn about what the eighth graders are doing in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

## Student Council Elections

By Erin Stevens

During the month of September the 8th grade students had the option of running for the school’s president and vice president. The candidates were Jack and Jackie, Grace and Julieta, Caitlin and Anthony, and Liza Jane and Luke. All the candidates brought fresh ideas to the desk and new ways to contribute to the community.

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## New Bobcat Faculty Spotlight: The Amazing Mr. Phillips

By Alexa Stevens, Sophia Smith,  
and Caitlin Federowicz

Mr. Phillips, is the new P. E. teacher for St. Bart’s this 2018-19 school year. Mr. Phillips was born in Washington D.C. on March 16. When he was growing up he had two dogs named Bo and Luke. He liked lacrosse and

also swimming as a child. He went to Primary Day, Bullis, and St. John’s. Then, our gym teacher went to the University of Delaware for college. His first job was serving as a lifeguard. He has been teaching for over

thirteen years. Now he is happy to continue teaching at St. Bartholomew School. We are very excited to have him teach at our school because he is kind, funny and keeps us safe at morning drop-off and dismissal.





## Service Success: Socktober & Greg Gannon Food Drive

By Jackie Federowicz

During the month of October, also known as Socktober, St. Bart's School & Parish donated over 1,100 new adult socks to a local men's shelter, just in time for the coldest weather of the season. The "Socktober" event exceeded this year's goal, with the Black Team prevailing as the house winner.

This Thanksgiving Holiday, St. Bart's School & Parish, partnering with the Greg Gannon Canned Food Drive, aimed to provide 50 Sacred Heart families with a Thanksgiving feast and enough groceries for two weeks of meals. The School

and Parish community shopped, collected, packed and delivered 150 boxes for the 50 families and also donated 45 boxes and bags of food to Sacred Heart's pantry for future use by its community.

Thank you to everyone who participated to make our service projects this quarter a success!



## Student Council Elections *Cont.*

By Erin Stevens

Some of the student body is full of many different ideas were tutoring sessions, spirit loops to talents and everyone plays an important role in making our school great!

After all of the speeches were given, the students had the opportunity to vote. The votes were then counted and the results came in and the winners were Jackie and Jack. The entire eighth grade



## School for Spies

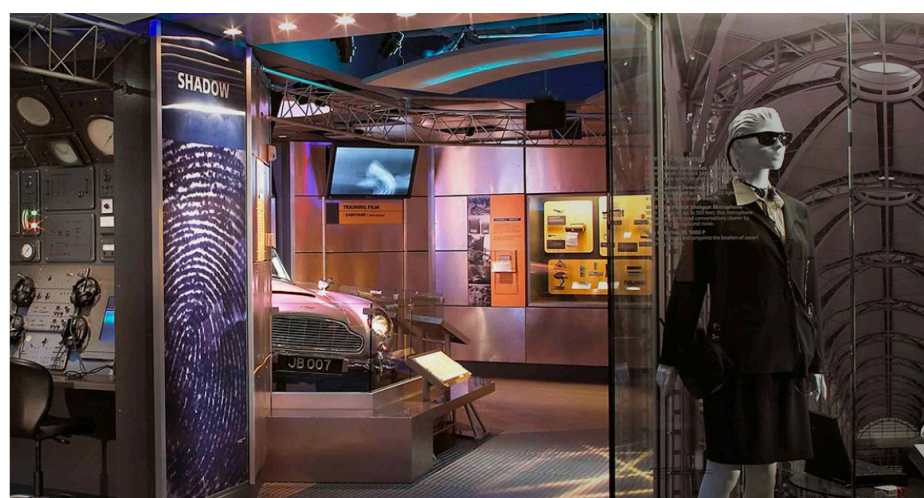
By Sophia Smith

On Thursday December 5th, the fifth graders of St. Bart's went to the Spy Museum in D.C.. As soon as the class entered they saw a quick video about what spies do and what happens if they get caught. Then the fifth graders went into a room where they could choose a person to be as a coverup. Then they got to see all the gadgets and tools that spies have. Next they also got to see what World War II, and Revolutionary War spies

had to do to complete their covert missions and the materials they had available. The class talked a lot about famous spy movies and what is realistic and what isn't. Each fifth grader was given a dossier. Everyone was a different person. The dossier had a faint backstory and a mission that the fifth grader had to complete. Then they went off to explore with their chaperones to look and talk about different spies. When the

class was done looking around and filling things out in our top secret mission packet, they had a nice lunch and a little time to relax. Finally, the fifth graders made light sources out of a rubber

band, LED light, a disk battery, a paperclip, and a magnet to save Agent Olympus who was stuck in Cairo, Egypt. All in all, the fifth graders really enjoyed their day at the spy museum.





## Run for Funds!

By Charlotte Selden

This year we had our annual St. Bart's Run for Funds! As we awaited the 1.5 mile run, walk, and jog we enjoyed fresh fruit and bagels. Once the race started and we were on our way, we saw beautiful scenery and plants over hills and grass all around campus and the neighborhood. Once we got back, there were water bottles and freshly made snow cones waiting for those who passed the finish line. After having our snow cones in the summer

sun we knew that the run had been successful. The run was for a great cause and full of fun activities. It was worth the wait! Everytime we see a St. Bart's water bottle we are reminded of the wonderful day and our community's spirit.



## Second Annual Turkey Bowl Goes to the Faculty



The eighth graders put up an incredible effort and parents, were victo-

rious. The event was delightful for all spectators especially when a new attraction was revealed - The Great Pumpkin Roll!



## Multisensory Learning Finds a Permanent Home in the New Outdoor Classroom

Student Bobcats have enjoyed their new outdoor classroom this year. Mr. Marcos Martinez and Hughes Landscape Design created an amazing space where nature is our teacher, too!

Students in all grades have been spotted counting, sorting, measuring, data gathering, experimenting, tracing, scaven-

ger hunting and enjoying morning meetings. We early await warmer temps to start growing plants. The first graders love the tree trunk stools, while the third graders say the slate chalkboard stepping stones really rock! Stay tuned for more experiential learning this Spring!





## St. Bart's Halloween Parade: Well Attended by Ship Captains, Butterflies, Gorillas and More!

The Bobcats proudly celebrated Halloween with costumes, games, and contests. A wonderful time was had by all the family and friends who joined them in the courtyard.



## Bobcats Are Thankful for Their Traditional Thanksgiving Feast!



Bobcats, both big and small, loved the traditional Thanksgiving Feast arranged by Mrs. Brown. The food was delicious, the company was terrific, and the tables were festive. Cute turkeys and pilgrims were at every place setting. The volunteers made every detail homey and awesome. We are thankful for our wonderful teachers who always go the extra mile to help us celebrate everything!

## Ask Bobby the Bobcat

By Caitlin McLearn

**Q: How can I make sure that I don't lose my homework before I turn it in?**

**A:** Designate a special folder for homework or make a folder for each class that you can put your homework for that class in.

**Q: What can I do to make my transitions in between classes smoother?**

**A:** To make your transitions smoother and easier, keep your lockers organized, so that you can spend less time getting your books and more time walking to your classes or talking with friends.

**Q: How can I make mornings go smoother?**

**A:** Lay out your uniform the night before and leave your backpack packed with any after school activity equipment by the door. This makes your mornings easier as you leave for school.

## St. Bart's Word Search

THANKSGIVING	BOBCAT	BOBBY
SOCKTOBER	PENNIES	FALL
ANIMALS	SAINTS	
FRIENDS	CANDY	

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