

GREAT WEEK AHEAD



Week 9

October 12 2025

HOCO & Fall Fun Ahead! — Week 9

We've officially completed the first quarter of the school year and have already celebrated so much together! 🍂 Buckle up—October is a busy and exciting month!

It's HOCO Week! Make sure to check the calendar of events so you don't miss out on all the themed days and celebrations.

We're also gearing up for our Annual Fall Festival—be sure to share the event with your friends and family! Children are encouraged to come dressed in costume and enjoy a night full of fun. Our amazing room parents are coordinating themed tents for trick-or-treating, and our 8th grade class will once again host the Haunted House.

We kindly ask each family to donate one bag of candy per student to make the night extra sweet. 🍬

Our teachers will be serving up delicious food, and this year we're bringing back the carnival rides—you won't want to miss it!

Stay in touch with your room parent for updates and volunteer opportunities.

Attention Parents and Students (Grades 4–8)

Altar server training will be held on Saturday, October 11, 2025, at 10:00 AM. A parent or guardian must be present during the session. Students in grades 4 through 8 who are interested in becoming altar servers are invited to attend.

☀ StG at School Discovery Day!

We're excited to share that St. Gregory the Great Catholic School will be participating in School Discovery Day on Saturday, October 18th! This is the perfect opportunity to spread the word—invite your friends and family who may be looking for a new school to stop by and visit our booth. With the ESA program expanding for the 2026 school year, now is a great time to share why you love being part of the StG community. Remember, word of mouth is our best form of outreach!

School Discovery Day is a fun, high-energy community event where families can explore educational options. It brings together charter, private, Catholic, and magnet schools, along with community organizations. Families can meet school representatives, ask questions, and learn about the enrollment process.

The event also features live music, face painting, raffle prizes, and free zoo admission for the first 1,000 pre-registered guests! Last year's event welcomed over 1,200 attendees, making it a fantastic opportunity to showcase all that makes StG great.



Safety Reminder

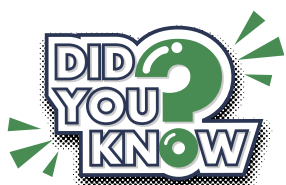
Parents should not release child(ren) from vehicles in car line BEFORE 7:45am



Plan Your Week

In order to help plan your child's week, we have included our uniform schedule for the week.

Day of the Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Dress Code	Camo Theme Dress or Regular Uniform	Neon Theme Dress or Regular Uniform	Spirit Theme Dress or Regular Uniform	Extreme Green Theme Dress or Regular Uniform	Mass Uniform
Schedule	Regular	Regular	Regular	Regular	Mass
Mark your Calendar	Quarter 2 Begins	Smart Families Student Assembly Glow Dance at 2pm		Pep Rally at 2:45 pm	Mass led by 6th Grade at 8:15 am Community Tailgate 4-6pm HOCO Football Game 6pm



Did you know our Event calendar is posted on our website for the entire year? Plan ahead and visit our website homepage for a list of events for the entire school year!

Crave-It Lunch Pre-Order

Register for a Crave It Lunch Account. Crave-it is our school lunch caterer.

Academic Calendar

Our School Calendar is posted for the entire year on our school website and is updated regularly.

FACTS Demographic Updates

Need to make a change to your FACTS pick up list, address or phone number change? Click the icon and our school office will make the changes for you.

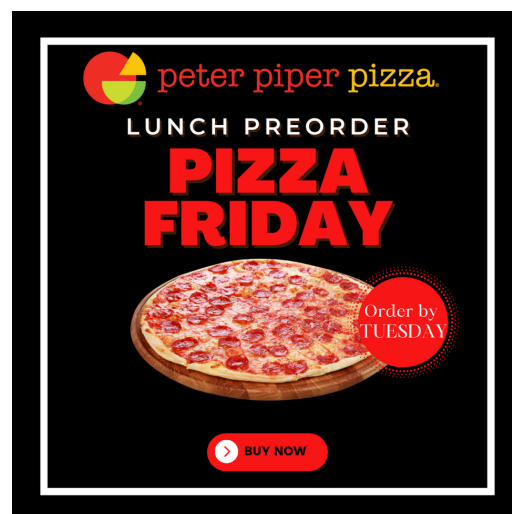
St. Gregory Catholic Church

Father Richard warmly invites your family to celebrate Sunday Mass with us! Join us Saturdays at 5:30 pm or Sundays at 8:00 am, 10:00 am, or 12:00 pm (Spanish). We'd love to see you there as we come together in faith and community!



Friendly Reminder:

Please remember that toys are not allowed at school. This includes backpack charms and collectible figures (such as Labubu's). Thank you for helping us keep our focus on learning and preventing lost or broken items!



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ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC SCHOOL

HOMECOMING

week

Monday, October 13 -
Friday, October 17th



THEME DRESS DAYS

MONDAY

The Bobcats won't see us coming.
Dress in your favorite Camo Gear

TUESDAY

We are going to send them out of this world. Dress in Neon/ Glow attire.
Glow Dance at 2pm

WEDNESDAY

Anything but a backpack.
Any StG Spirit Shirt w/Jeans

THURSDAY

Extreme Green Out. Dress in Green.

Pep Rally at 2:45 pm

FRIDAY

Mass Uniform
Community Tailgate 4pm
Football Game 6pm

SATURDAY

HOCO Dance
6:30 pm - 9:30 pm
Grades 5th - 8th

Tickets: \$ 10
Presale



BUY NOW

Important

Students must abide by Free Dress Day Guidelines in the Student/Parent Handbook





ST. GREGORY THE GREAT
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

ESA + CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Growing our Catholic schools through our faith communities



Catholic education is more than academics—it's a community where faith and excellence come together. Families like yours have sacrificed to keep children in Catholic schools, and programs like Hope for the Future have been a bridge of support. Now, with Texas's new Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) beginning in 2026, even more help is on the way. Whether you're a current family or welcoming a new one, this support will make Catholic education possible for thousands more children.

Stay updated: archsa.org/catholic-schools/esa

St. Gregory the Great Catholic School

Fall FESTIVAL

CARNIVAL RIDES
FAMILY FRIENDLY

TRICK OR TREAT
VENDORS

HAUNTED HOUSE-MUSIC-GAMES-FOOD

24 OCTOBER 2025 | 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

700 DEWHURST

Students are encouraged to come dressed in their costumes. Candy donations from each student are needed. Please send in candy by October 22, 2025

PTC VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Looking to complete your family service hours? PTC has volunteer opportunities waiting for you! Click the links below to sign up and get involved.

- [Spirit Lunch Runner](#)
- [Kona Ice Day Volunteer](#)
- [Fall Fest Command Center](#)

CASINO NIGHT

ST. Gregory the Great Parish Hall 709 Beryl Street San Antonio, TX 78213

15 NOV

SAVE THE DATE

OPEN 6 PM - 10 PM

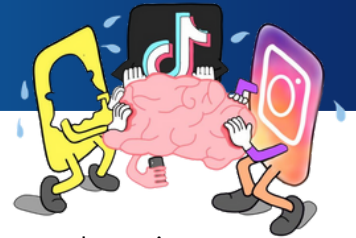
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"I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him." Romans 15:13

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The App Trap presentation dives into the captivating world of neuroscience and app development, specifically focusing on the persuasive techniques developers use to intentionally ‘trap’ casual users into becoming compulsive enthusiasts of technology.



Presentation Overview

The App Trap is an interactive presentation for students, offering neuroscience education tailored to their developmental stage about the addictive nature of the apps they use. It gives students the chance to gain insights into their brain development and understand how the apps they currently use, or might use in the future, are deliberately engineered to capture and hijack their focus and attention.

Content

-  An introduction to neuroscience and brain development.
-  A brief overview of persuasive design and its significance in app development.
-  Introduction to psychological principles like the Fear of Missing Out (FOMO), instant gratification, and social validation that app developers exploit.
-  Explore specific strategies like variable rewards, infinite scrolling, and personalized notifications.
-  Discussion on the short-term joy vs. long-term effects on mental health, productivity, and social relationships.

Student Objectives

-  Develop an understanding of persuasive design in technology linked to neuroscience.
-  Identify common persuasive techniques used in app development.
-  Self-evaluate own digital consumption habits.

Interactive Discussion

Share personal experiences with addictive apps and what made them hard to resist.

Tips on developing healthier digital habits and using technology mindfully.

For more information,
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CATHOLIC SCHOOL

RED RIBBON WEEK

OCTOBER 27-31

THEME DRESS DAYS

MONDAY

RED OUT

Wear any red t-shirt with
uniform bottoms

TUESDAY

WE ARE ALL A TEAM AGAINST DRUGS

Wear your favorite team
shirt w/ uniform bottoms

WEDNESDAY

HERO UP- SAY NO TO DRUGS!

Wear your favorite super
hero shirt w/uniform
bottoms

THURSDAY

DRUGS ARE SCARY

Wear an appropriate
Halloween shirt with
uniform bottoms
*NO COSTUMES!

FRIDAY

BE A SAINT, STAY DRUG FREE

Wear your saint costume or
saint tshirt w/uniform
bottoms

Support our Parish Events

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CHURCH — *Where Everybody is Somebody* Parish Ministries Turkey Bingo and BBQ Plate



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Parish Thanksgiving
Celebration

**St. Gregory's Hall
Holden Hall
709 Beryl Dr.**

**15 Games only \$15.00
4 Tickets—\$50
5 Specials—\$3.00 (each)
Door and Consolation prices
No te lo puedes perder!!!**

**Sunday, November 16, 2025
Kitchen Open at Noon
Bingo Start at 1pm 'till 5:00pm
Come enjoy food, fun, and bingo
games.
Admission is FREE.**

Knights of Columbus Council 4140
Immaculate Conception Presents



Fall Dance



LIVE MUSIC FEATURING
MIKE GONZALEZ AND THE ICONICZZ

NOVEMBER 8, 2025 BYOB - LIQUOR AND SNACKS ONLY
BEVERAGES AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE:
WATER, SODA AND BEER

DOORS OPEN: 7 PM
DANCE 8 PM - 12 AM

CONTACT:
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ALEX ALARCON | 210-842-3617



TICKETS PURCHASED ONLINE AT:
[HTTPS://KOC-COUNCIL-4140.SQUARE.SITE](https://koc-council-4140.square.site)
\$50 PER PERSON
RESERVE A TABLE FOR 10 - \$500

6909 CAMP BULLIS RD.
SAN ANTONIO, TX 78256

St. Gregory the Great
**Christmas Arts
and Craft Sale**

Sponsored by the Altar Society



Come Shop with Us!
November 7 from 9am to 6pm
November 8 from 9am to 4pm
Parish Hall, 709 Beryl Dr.

GREAT GIFT IDEAS, HANDCRAFTED ITEMS,
ARTWORK, RAFFLE, SILENT AUCTION,
WREATHS, AND GOODIES.



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POP INTO TUITION SAVINGS!

We're excited to announce a Double Good Popcorn Fundraiser to help offset the cost of your child's tuition. This is an opportunity for families who wish to participate to earn credit toward their FACTS tuition account. (This is strictly OPTIONAL!)

How it works:

- Download the Double Good app on iOS or Android: dgpopup.app.link/nss
- Enter the Event Code: **URJDCT**
- Create your Pop-Up Store and share your link with friends and family. (You must create your store in order to track families participating)

The popcorn ships directly to buyers, is award-winning, and tastes amazing! Families will receive 50% of their total sales credited to their FACTS account once the fundraiser closes.

The more popcorn you sell, the more tuition credit you earn! This is a pilot program we hope will provide extra support for families.

**Fundraiser
Dates:
October 11, 2025
at 5:00 PM →
October 15, 2025
at 5:00 PM**





ST. GREGORY THE GREAT
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

THANKS FOOD DRIVE GIVING

We would love your help in providing
Thanksgiving meals to families that rely on
our St. Gregory SVDP Food Pantry.

We Are Collecting The Following Items from each class:

Canned Goods: Green

Beans- 2
Corn- 2
Mushroom Soup- 2
Canned Cranberry
Sauce- 1
French Fried Onions- 1
Yams- 2

Dry Food:

Stuffing- 2 6oz boxes or
large bag
Instant Mashed
Potatoes- 1 large box
Gravy Packets- 2 pkgs

Items Will Be Collected

OCTOBER
13-24

Each class will be given a
brown bag to fill with
donations. If your class can fill
more than one, we'd be so
thankful! Every item makes a
difference for families in need.

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**ITEMS CAN BE TURNED IN TO YOUR
HOMEROOM TEACHER**