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Epiphany Worship and Fun

A Note from Pastor Anne:

On January 4, a morning assembly kicked off the second semester of the 2022-2023 school year. I opened the assembly in prayer, asking for blessings over the new year and each student, teacher and staff member at Boys Home. Executive Director Chris Doyle offered his words of wisdom. He stated, "This semester I challenge you to grow in your spiritual life. As you leave today notice that the chapel door reads 'exit to serve.' I want all of you to become more service oriented and think of ways to positively impact your community."

After the first day back at school, an Epiphany eucharist service welcomed students back to chapel. All were encouraged to look for the light on their own journey to discover, know and follow God. *Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you. See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you. Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.* Isaiah 60:1-3

To celebrate Epiphany Eve, the song "We Three Kings of Orient Are" was sung throughout campus. Three students (representing the wise men) were adorned with robes and gifts, made the journey to all of the cottages on campus, administrative building and gym. After singing, they chucked each building with 20+C+M+B+23 for the year and blessing of "Christus Mansionem Benedicat" (also initials of legendary wise men's names Casper, Melchior and Balthasar). I made kings cakes which were offered to each cottage. The celebration was a wonderful start to the second semester and a reminder of the importance of the spiritual life at Boys Home.



Pastor Anne was excited to pass out kings cakes, also known as three kings cake, to each cottage. There was a special surprise in each cake to represent the Christ child. The recipient of the prize will serve at the Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Covington.

GET INVOLVED

DONATE

- * Become a member of the crew that supports Boys Home on a monthly basis, *Carpenter's Crew*. More information online.
- * Make an individual donation at www.givetoboyshome.org.
- * Make an in-kind donation to our Wish List. Find the list at www.boyshomeofva.org located at the bottom of the home page.

SPREAD THE WORD

- * Sign up for the Boys Home newsletter at www.boyshomeofva.org under "Mailing List."
- * Forward *Liaison Links* to other members of your church, friends and family.
- * Like us on Facebook & Instagram or follow us on Twitter.

STAY UP TO DATE

March 2 | Clergy Day

April 14 | Former Trustee Lunch/Program

April 27 | Spring Open House

May 5 | Major Donor/Planned Gifts Dinner

May 20 | Graduation and Awards Ceremony

STUDENT PRAYER CORNER



Amir's Prayer:

"I am praying for my grandmother's health. Lately, she has not been feeling well."

Your continued support of Boys Home is touching lives and changing futures for the better.

Thank you for all the ways you support these young men.

Upcoming Events



**Clergy Day
at Boys Home
March 2, 2023
11 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

Join us for clergy day at Boys Home! You're invited to learn more about the mission and programs offered to young men who need a second chance at success. Meet the staff, explore the campus, and spend an awesome day with fellow clergy!

Please RSVP to Melinda at 540-965-7707 or email mnichols@boyshomeofva.org by February 24.

11:00 a.m. - Campus tour

12:00 p.m. - Complimentary lunch with staff and students

1:00 p.m. - Staff and student panel discussions

2:00 p.m. - Questions/Information/Networking



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**Welcome
back!**



Former Trustee Luncheon April 14, 2023 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

All former members of the Boys Home Board of Trustees are invited to attend this new and exciting event. Tour the campus, meet the staff, enjoy lunch with the students, and get caught up on what's happening at Boys Home. We can't wait to see you again!

11 a.m. - Tour of the campus and facilities
12 p.m. - Lunch in the dining hall with students and staff
1 p.m. - Boys Home update and meet & greet

Please RSVP to Melinda at 540-965-7707 or
email mnichols@boyshomeofva.org by April 7.



Save the date - April 27, 2023



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SPRING OPEN HOUSE



Make plans to visit Boys Home on Thursday, April 27 - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. It will be a fun filled day complete with a campus tour, staff and student presentations, as well as a complimentary lunch!

Please RSVP to Melinda at 540-965-7707 or mnichols@boyshomeofva.org by April 21!

PLANNED GIVING APPRECIATION DINNER MAY 5, 2023

BOYS HOME IS HOSTING AN EVENT TO SHOW OUR APPRECIATION TO SPECIAL DONORS WHO HAVE CHOSEN TO SUPPORT BOYS HOME AND ITS MISSION THROUGH A PLANNED GIFT.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A LONG-TERM SUPPORTER OF BOYS HOME BY LEAVING A LEGACY OF SUPPORT, PLEASE CONTACT CHRIS DOYLE AT 540-965-7704 SO WE CAN INCLUDE YOU IN THIS WONDERFUL EVENT.



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