Thankful

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"The earth is my home. The earth gives me a nice place to live. I love

Nathaniel is thankful for his teacher. "She helps me learn new things. She gives good hugs!" Aubrie is thankful for her cat.

"My cat's name is Julie Bell." Maddie is thankful for the whole wide world. "I love the mountains, the rivers and the trees. I love the sun, the moon and the stars!"

Arianna is thankful for her cat. "My cat's name is Fur Ball. She is brown and pinkish.

Payge is thankful the Lunar Blaster at my school. "It is fun to

Jarrett is thankful donuts. "I like the sugar ones with sprinkles on

Aurora is thankful for her family. "I like to play with my family. We are always together."

Jaiden is thankful for her friends. "I have a lot of friends at school. I am a "good friend" to others.'

Patrick is thankful for his Grandpa and Grandma. "They let me have turkey on thanksgiving! I love

Mrs. Wagner is thankful for her kindergarten students. "They will make me laugh, they will make me cry, but always they will make me feel needed. They are the BEST!!"

These are things for which the first grade at Sacred Heart Elementary School is thankful ...

I am thankful for my food because I can eat the food. I am thankful for my family because I can play with my family. I am thankful for my dog because I play with my dog. -

I am thankful for a football game. I am thankful for the Steelers and I am thankful for my baseball team.

I am thankful for my food because I eat it. Pumpkin pie is good. Yum. — Hannah

I am thankful for my family and my dog and my cat and my food because I eat pumpkins. I like apples.

I am thankful for animals because I love them. Why? Because they are creatures that God made for us. — Allison

I am thankful for my mom because she works with me and my friends because they play with me at recess. I am thankful for God because He loves me. — Isaac

I am thankful for my family because they love me. My friends because they're nice to me. Jesus because he died on the cross for me. Gracie

I am thankful for my family and my friends and food and water and

I am thankful for my family because they take care of me.

I am thankful for my family because I don't know how to cook. I am thankful for Nick because he is cool. I am thankful for my brothers and sisters. — Joseph

I am thankful for my cause they love me and I am thankful for my grandparents and my

I am thankful for my turtles because they're cool. I'm thankful for my family because they love me. I'm thankful for my friends because they're nice. — Cole.

I am thankful for my nana and papa because they love me, and my school that I go to, and my mom and

I am thankful for my friends at school and my family because they love me and my friends at school

are nice to me. — Luke
I am thankful for my family and my friends and Thanksgiving. -

Dee Munsen, Yankton

In the midst of the holiday season as preparations are being made for the big day, memories of Christmas past come floating back. They may come in the quietness of the day as I trim the Christmas tree. They may come as I'm wrapping presents and listening to Christmas music on the radio.

I have a special childhood memory of those who are no longer with

One night before Christmas my mother and dad took my little brother and me for a walk. Snowflakes were gently falling. In a while we reached a street corner with a street light. All was quiet except for a choir singing from inside a church across the street. We stopped to listen. My little brother was holding onto my father's hand. I looked up at my mother and dad. They were silhouetted in the dim light in a veil of snow. The choirs carol drifted out into the silent night. This is a memory I'll always remember.

I'm thankful for my Precious

Larry and Bonnie Wardell,

Yankton I am thankful for surviving the flood this summer, for the Catholic community for their prayers and help, especially Father Ken Lulf. For daughter Chris, grandkids (Tyler, Allie, Brandon) and all their friends who helped us and Chris get our things out of the trailers and into storage. For my sister, Nancy, and brother-in-law, Jerry, for helping to pack. For Larry Hinton and Kenny Kopetsky for providing affordable, temporary housing for us and for Chris and her son. For our employers, Ace Hardware and Burger King, for all the support during the flood. For all of Larry's friends and local contractors that got our trailer moved and the repairs done. Thank you Yankton!

Kellie Geigle, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I'm thankful for family and friends to celebrate the holidays with. Family and friends make everything more enjoyable. If we didn't have family and friends we would get pretty lonely. Spending time with them can give you the opportunities to learn about what they like and many other things you might not know about them. Also you might make a new friend by talking to them. Family and friends give you company for the holidays. That's why I'm thankful for family and

Courtney Wenande, Fifth **Grade, Sacred Heart School**

I am thankful for my family and friends, food, water, my house, my dog and all my toys, and the town of Yankton. I'm thankful for school so we can get an education for books and the world because everything starts with the world.

Jessica Reinhardt, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I'm thankful for everything that I have because poor kids don't get toys like I do! I'm so thankful that I go to Sacred Heart. It costs a lot of money and I mean a lot of money! I'm also thankful for a roof over my head and having money in our pockets! Everyone should be thankful for what they have! I'm glad I have a nice family because some families are being really mean to other siblings. If only everything wasn't so expensive! I am thankful for everything have, especially friends and family. I have really nice friends, but if I had to chose one I would chose Kellie

Morgan, Fifth Grade, Sacred **Heart School**

I'm thankful for family, friends, my pets and I'm thankful for my home, food, parents, everything I have. I'm thankful for the Twilight books and movies, for T.V., games, and clothes. But what I'm really thankful for is my mother, she loves me, helps me, forgives me and she is always there for me. I'm going to always be thankful for these things, but none can top my family, pets and Twilight series! I love it all, I really do.

Brooke M., Fifth Grade, Sacred **Heart School**

I'm thankful for my family because they love me. I also am thankful for my home and that I have a warm place to live in the winter and my friends make me happy. I love my friends and family. They are the best and that we have food for the holidays. That's what I'm thankful

Evan Mueller, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I am thankful for family, friends, food, pets, house, parents, siblings, school, science, P.E., teachers, plants, earth, sun, books, U.S.A., education, Jesus, God, freedom of relihunting and role models, aka, my dad, video games, and clothes.

Michael Woodmancy, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I'm thankful for the new school. It is so clean and nice. It is very big. We have a basement and an upstairs. The rooms are perfect sized. The gym is in the old school. The new school is great. It's the best school ever. We have a lot of memories at Sacred Heart.

Jess, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

What I'm thankful for is my family because they love me. Friends because they care about me. Money so my family and I aren't poor and so we can help others. Food and water so we can live. Education so I can have a good job when I'm older. That's what I am thankful for this Thanksgiving.

Noel Kusek, Fifth Grade, Sacred **Heart School**

I am thankful for ideas, movies, tables, hands, animals, neatness, kettle corn, feline friends, uniqueness, love, family, oranges, Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer.

Olivia Liebig, Fifth Grade, Sa-

cred Heart School I am thankful for my family. I am thankful for my family because my family is always there for me. On Thanksgiving I get to see all of my family, so that's good. I love my family with all my heart and they love me with all their heart. That is why I'm thankful for my family. Even though they can sometimes get on my nerves and I get on their nerves sometimes, we are all still one big happy family. At Thanksgiving we laugh and just enjoy being with each other. So that is what I am thankful for this year and maybe next year, if you are lucky. Thank you.

Matthew Callahan, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I am thankful for my friends and family, and cats and dogs or fish and video games, MW3, Black Ops, MW2, and Mario and food, my home and shelter over my house and computer and smart boards.

Harlie Hacecky, Sacred Heart School

I'm thankful for my friends and family. I'm also thankful for what all God has given me and all creation too. I'm also thankful that there are some people who won't always get,



get, get, but they will also give too. m also thankful for school is education, that I think all kids should have, but it doesn't always work out that way for some people and I wish that those kids could have the same rights and opportunities that I have. I feel we should be thankful and give to everyone.

Samantha K., Fifth Grade, Sa-

cred Heart School I am thankful for Thanksgiving, family, friends, pets, food, shelter, teachers, learning, opportunities, jokes, math, books, creation, all animals, lockers, bedrooms, my brother, clothes, months, ages Christmas, Easter, St. Patrick's Day, Valentine's Day, All holidays, loving people, jewelry, everything good, nature, electricity and water.

Emily Kolker, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I'm thankful for school and farmers. I'm thankful for school because you can learn, get to see friends and you can do many activities and field trips, which are always exciting. My mom and dad say "you're doing a very good job at school and keep up the good work." I'm thankful for farmers as well, because they grow many fruits, veggies, and wheat or grain. They also give us dairy and nutrients humans need.

Brian Nguyen, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I'm thankful for me and my friend's business. I'm thankful for my friends because they play football with me and support me. My friend, Walker Hunhoff, and I started a business or company about drawing. He's always there for me. Some employees are Nick Lehl and Brandon Peitz. My friends are always there for me. That's what I am thank-

Walker Hunhoff, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I am thankful for my loving family, even though my sisters and I fight, I know they love me. I am also thankful for an opportunity for an education, the new school, also thankful for all of my friends, like Nick, Lehl, Noel, Resek, Brain Nguyen, but that's just the bottom of the barrel! I am in a business of drawing with Brain too. So I am thankful for that.

Nicholas Lehl, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I'm thankful for my family, for the food I eat, for the opportunity to have an education, for my friends, the roof over my head, my bed, my glasses so I can see better and I'm thankful that I'm Catholic and can receive the body of Christ. I'm thankful I can play football and hockey and stay active. I'm thankful I have a mom and a dad that give me food to eat, clothes to wear and a bed to sleep in.

Sydney, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I am thankful for all of my family members and my teacher, class and friends. For Thanksgiving we always go to see my grandparents in Minnesota. My cousins and I always make up plays for the season! Just in October when my new baby cousin was born we made up a Halloween play. We are going to my grandparents' house this weekend! We always do our Thanksgiving play with Indians and Pilgrims! During Thanksgiving my cousins and I watch movies and play board games! Everything is so much better with them. I am also thankful for my new baby sister/brother that will be born somewhere at the end of February or the beginning of March!

Kendra, Fifth Grade, Sacred **Heart School**

This year I have a lot of things to be thankful for, but I will only name a few. I found out that my family will be going on a trip to Disney World! I am also thankful that I will have to miss about 3 or 4 days of school. I am also thankful that my little brother, Preston, 2, lets me get some sleep at night because he sleeps in

One last thing I am thankful for is my family. I know that they can get on my nerves sometimes, but I will love them. Those are just a few things that I am thankful for.

Holly Medeck, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I am thankful for my new school, all my family, teachers, doctors, my food, my house and my opportunities to go to school and have free will in our country. I'm thankful for my opportunities to be a Christian and be able to go to Catholic school. I'm thankful to be an American. I'm thankful for everything that improves my faith and improves everything about me. I'm thankful for sports and technology too.

Erin McCarthy, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I'm thankful for my family because they love me and care for me and help me if I need it. I'm thankful for my friends because without them my life would be boring and I help them when they need support, so they help me. I'm thankful for school because it gives me good opportunities in life and a good chance of success in life. I'm thankful for food, water and shelter because without them I couldn't survive. I'm thankful for my clothes because they give me freedom of expression. I'm thankful for my religion because it brings me closer to God. These are the things I'm thankful for because without them I don't think I could live. One more thing, I'm also thankful for life because I only get to

Abby Becker, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I am thankful for my family and for the good education my parents pay for. That is nice. I am thankful for everything I have. Because some people do not have a home or money or toys or things to have. So I am thankful for what I have. I am thankful for Thanksgiving so we can celebrate what we are thankful for. Thanksgiving I think is to celebrate your feelings.

Allie Meshoto, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I am thankful for nature because I love to explore. I am also thankful for religion because then we get to learn about God. I love to hang out with my friends. They keep you happy, joyful. I love my friends.

I am thankful that there is food. If there was no food I would starve and probably die. I am also thankful there is something to drink. I would be very thirsty. I am very thankful that we have a family. If we did not we would not have anybody to love or take us to school. We also would not have anywhere to sleep.

Sophia V., Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I am thankful for my life, my family, a roof over my head and my friends. My life, because I wouldn't be here without it, my family and friends because I always have someone to talk to and to help me and a roof over my head, because it keeps me warm at night. Thank is what I am thankful for and glad to have.

Cate Perakslis, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I am thankful for plays. They are so much fun! They keep me busy and I'm always meeting someone new. Another thing I'm thankful for is my family. They make life a lot easier for me. They also make sure that I am happy. I am also thankful for food. Without it I would be so hungry. I love it when I can make my own little snack. Without food we would all be dead!

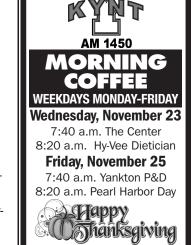
I am really thankful that we have casts because without them it would be really, really hard for the broken part of our bodies to heal. But most of all I'm thankful for my life because we all have a special plan. So what are you thankful for? Is it life? Be thankful.

Bryce, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I am thankful for my new dog, my family, school, church, food, drink, gold, shrimp, books, paper, activities, movies, games, medicine, cake, birthdays, parties, the library, my friends, a house, cousins and everything else I have. I am also thankful for pop, cops, Army, planes, cars, water, markers, pencils, clocks and the summer.

Brandon P., Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I am thankful for my education. I have a really good teacher. I am also thankful for my buds, Brain, Nick, Walker and Bryce. I always have fun with them. I also am thankful for books. Books have so much info



about stuff.

Miranda Schulte, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

What I am thankful for is mostly everything like my family, how they give me food, clothes and so much more. Then my school, I am thankful that I get to go to school every morning. But I am thankful that I have friends that make me feel love, so does my family. I'm glad that every morning I wake up I'm in a nice warm house. When I wake up I'm so happy that we have animals, trees and the beautiful sky, because some mornings for people in a big city have barely any grass, not very many trees too. Also, the Thanksgiving dinner that we are all getting to eat, like the turkey and so much more. Also all the food that comes from farms too!

Tyler Lange, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I am thankful that we have the opportunities to be successful in life. I am also thankful that we can celebrate ceremonial opportunities.

Madison Wubben, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I am thankful for a bed so that I have somewhere to sleep at night. A family so I am not lonely and a house to have shelter. Clothes so I stay warm, food so I don't starve to death. Water so I am not thirsty. Opportunities to chose. Education to learn. Friends to have fun. Paper and pencil to write down feelings. There are lots of things to be thankful for.

Olivia Warriner, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart School

I am thankful for my puppy Ginger, my bunny Benjamin, for our 56 chickens, for our farm, my dog Tex, my duck Marbel, my new school, education, mom dad, my brother and sister, to have a roof over my head. to have friends, to have a coat, a hat, gloves, to be warm, to be Christian. to go to a Catholic school. To have a house, a warm bed, my own room, to be alive, have a family, to be a girl, to be smart, to be able to read and to celebrate every day with God.

Joe, Fifth Grade, Sacred Heart

I am thankful for: PE, art, school, mom, me, friends, family, home, shoes, pants, shirts, eraser, homework, freedom, good grades, movies, music, energy, plants, recess, books, toys, cars, wells.

Justus, Fourth Grade, Menno

Three things I am thankful for is my dad, my cat and my life. First I am thankful for my dad because he loves me, he's my best friend, and he makes me good food. And he buys me cool stuff. And one time he got me a phone that is a h.t.c Desire. What else is awesome is if I'm good until Christmas he will get me an

And another thing is if I'm good for the rest of the school year he will give me the phone he has now that is a Samsung Galaxy S. And last but not least he loves me and we are b.f.f. [best friends forever].

Second my cat because he is cute. He is orange and he sleeps with me at night. And he runs

And last but not least my life. Because you get to have fun. And Jesus and god love me. And I get to grow up. And when you die you go to heaven. Another is you get good food on earth.

And last but not least there is a lot more stuff on Earth that is fun.

Jordan, Fourth Grade, Menno I am thankful for things and

these are those things. I am thankful for my mom and dad. Because they raised me to grow. They also help me with things I can't do. They always make me laugh a lot. I am thankful for my dog "Flicka."

She is very, very playful. She always does funny things. She also -makes me laugh a lot. Especially when she sneezes. She is very cute.

Last but not least 1 am thankful for my horse named Yankee. I love my horse. I get to ride my horse. I can walk him with me halter and lead rope. I can put the saddle on my horse and ride him. These are the things I am thankful for.

Aidan, Fourth Grade, Menno I am thankful for my family. If I did not have a family I would be lonely. Sometimes I get gifts from them. I play with my cousins when I see them. I like all of my family mem-

I am thankful for my house that I live in. I would not be safe without a house. I have my own room in my house. I have toys in my room that I play with. It is big enough to fit many things in it.

I am thankful for my farm; it is not big, but it is not small. I can drive around on my farm, and it is fun. We raise animals such as sheep, horses, and cows. There is enough room to run around on and play an awesome game of tag and other games. Sometimes I run away from my brother Seth, and sometimes we are just playing around.

Jacob, Fourth Grade, Menno I am thankful for having my par-

ents. They buy stuff that I need to live. If I need to go somewhere they will take me. They take me to school and other places. They take me far away or close places

I am thankful for having a house. If I didn't have a house I couldn't put my stuff anywhere. If I didn't have a house I wouldn't have a comfortable place to sleep. I wouldn't like that. I would be cold in the winter time if I didn't have a house. I really wouldn't like to have no house. That would

I am also thankful for having a family. My family buys stuff for me. If I am bored I can do something with my family like play a game with them. Them are some things I am thankful for.

Avery, Fourth Grade, Menno

I am thankful for a house. So I can be in the warm winter so I can sleep in a warm bed and not a cold one. I am glad I have a mom, dad and brothers. My mom's name is Denies, my dad's name is Jeremy, my brothers name's are Tyler and

I am thankful for a shed. So I can play in it and other stuff. So I can work in it. So I can put cars in it and maybe dirt bikes. When it's my birthday I might have it in there.

I am thankful for friends and animals. I am thankful for friends, because I can go to their house and have fun. I am thankful for animals, because I can play with them. I can go when I am bored. I am thankful for a lot of stuff and there is more, but I am finished.

Grant, Fourth Grade, Menno I am thankful for my family be-

cause they do a lot of things for me. They do nice things for me. They buy stuff for me. My mom buys food for me. She buys me video games and other stuff.

I am also thankful for my house I live in. It is warm in the winter in the house. I can make hot chocolate in my house. I can play with stuff in the house. My brother and I can play video games and watch TV.

I am thankful for a bed and food. I thankful for a bed so I can sleep! I am thankful for food to. My family can eat the food and not starve. My bed is also warm in winter.

Caitlyn, Fourth Grade, Menno I am thankful for my family. Be-

me. Sometimes they are annoying. Sometimes they are weird. Sometimes they are mean and nice.

I am thankful for my puppy. His name is Oscar. He is brown and black. He is beagle and half pug. He is fun to play with.

I am thankful for my gin pig. His name is Piggy. He is brown and black and white and orange. He is furry. He is cute.

Trey, Fourth Grade, Menno What are you thankful for? I'm thankful for three very important

First, I'm thankful for my family. I have two brothers named Ty and Tate and I have one sister named Tara. I like playing games with them because it is fun. My mom and dad take care of us.

Second, I am thankful for my friends. They play with me a lot. We

play ball tag. We have fun. Finally, I'm thankful for a home. I like having a roof, because it keeps the rain out. I like my room because

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