

DECEMBER 2021 NEWSLETTER



The snow has arrived!

In December with the beginning of Advent, it is a time to remember Jesus' coming. During this four week period we wait and prepare for the birth of Jesus.

I want to thank the parents for taking an active role in their child(ren) overall progress at St. Mary's School and thank you for participating in our parent teacher interviews.

With all the new protocols, advent & celebrations will look different in the school this year. Details for all our activities can be found on the following page.

The theme for Catholic Education throughout our Diocese this year is "One Family, One Hope in Christ." We will recall this theme as our children pray, work and play together. Remember, at St. Mary's School, We put our Faith in Learning!

Important Dates in December

- Nov 28 – 1st Sunday in Advent
- Dec 1 – Filming day – come to school in costume!
- Dec 2 – Giving Tree items due
- Dec 3 – Pita Pit for Hot Lunch
- Dec 5 – 2nd Sunday in Advent
- Dec 10– Wasabi for Hot Lunch
- Dec 12– 3rd Sunday in Advent
- Dec 13-17 – Food Drive for St. Vincent de Paul Society
- Dec 13 – Husky Shirt & Hoody Day
- Dec 14 – Holiday Headwear Day
- Dec 15 – Christmas Sweater Day
- Dec 16 – Pajama Day
- Dec 17 – Red/Green Day 11:30am dismissal
- Dec 19 – 4th Sunday in Advent
- Dec 25 – Merry Christmas
- Jan 4 - Back to school

Kids for Kindness- The theme for December is Trust. Trust is believing in someone or something. It is having confidence that the right thing will happen without trying to control it or make it happen. Sometimes it is hard to trust when life brings painful experiences. Trust is being sure, down deep, that there is some good in everything that happens.

Outside Fun!



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Christmas Concert – We will be filming our Christmas Concert December 1st and 2nd. All students are to come to school in their costumes on Wednesday December 1st, only actors need to wear their costumes December 2nd. A digital link of the concert will be posted when it is ready.

Food Drive – we will be doing our food drive for St. Vincent de Paul Society of non-perishable items from December 13th to 17th. Thank you for supporting our local community!

Spirit Week! – This year, since we do not have our concert the last week of school before the break, we will instead be having a spirit week! **December 13-17** come to school following each theme:

Monday – Husky Shirt & Hoody Day

Tuesday – Holiday Headwear Day

Wednesday – Christmas Sweater Day

Thursday – Pajama Day

Friday – Red & Green Day

Morning Mass: Classes continue to attend morning mass Mass is still closed to the public and all health protocols are being followed. This is being considered an extension of the classroom as students are not interacting with anyone outside of the normal school bubble. We feel very fortunate to still be able to provide this opportunity for our students during Advent. We will hold primary & intermediate Advent prayer services every Monday.

Winter Weather – Parents please make sure your child is dressed for the winter weather. Make sure your child(ren) have appropriate boots, coats, snowpants, and gloves as we go outside unless the temperature gets too cold (-18 and lower depending on the wind).

Bursaries – There are several bursaries available to help with tuition. Bursary forms are on the website and in the office.

GRADE 6/7 VOLLEYBALL TEAMS



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