



Sacred Heart School December Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Our Scriptures give us a strong and clear message for this Advent season: "Prepare the way of the Lord." We hear it at our Advent Masses and we sing it in our Advent hymns. This message seems to tell us to reflect, pray and focus on this great event of Christmas which is about to take place.

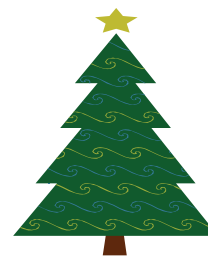
But we all know the reality is anything but! Our preparations for Christmas often find us racing from day to day through concerts, shopping, meetings, parties, baking etc.

At Sacred Heart School we seem to be on the tear as well! Our goal, though, is to daily remind the students and ourselves that "Jesus is the reason for the season" and we want to always "Keep Christ in our Christmas".

May this sacred time be blessed for you and your families. You continue to impress me daily as I experience your generosity, incredible spirit, faithful support and endless enthusiasm. I thank you sincerely for the gift that you are to our school.

Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

Sister Irene Baker
Principal



Dates Of Special Interest

December 06th 2010

*Turkey Lunch For Students/
Staff

(Prepared by the PSG).

December 16th 2010

* SHS Christmas Concert
SH Cathedral at 7:00 P.M.
Doors open at 6:30 P.M.
Please Join Us!

December 17th 2010

* School Mass/9:00 A.M.
Please Join Us!

* Please join us for Caroling
(10:30-11:15 A.M.)

Primary Bsmt

* Early Dismissal (11:30 A.M.)

ARE YOU MISSING DISHES: A beautiful blue and cream serving bowl and plate set (IKEA) was left behind after the Open House Potluck Barbecue in September. If you brought chips and salsa to the potluck and are missing these pieces, please check at the office to claim.

Virtue Of The Month: Hope
Goal Of The Month: To wish for God's will to be done on earth and in heaven.

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T.E.A.M. ~ Together Everyone Achieves More

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Our Annual School/Parish Christmas Concert will take place on Thursday, December 16th at 7:00 P.M. This concert is held in Sacred Heart Cathedral and the doors will open at 6:30 P.M. Students will go directly to their classrooms on concert night and will be collected at the end of the evening in the lower church.



SECOND ANNUAL GALA NIGHT

Looking for a great Christmas present? Sacred Heart School is offering an Early Bird special on tickets at \$40. per person for our Gala Night on February 26th, 2011. This offer will only be available from November 15 to December 17th, 2010. Tickets will be available at the school office. After December 17th, tickets will be \$45. per person and available at the school and also at the Ramada. We will also gladly accept any donations for our silent and live auctions that will go towards this great event. **One of the latest live auctions for this year's Gala Night is a week's stay in a two bedroom condominium in Las Vegas.** Please make plans to be at our Gala Night to bid on this exciting vacation opportunity.

REMINDERS TO PARENTS

-Just a reminder that students are encouraged to not bring items of value to school (such as cell phones, i-pods, toys, etc.) The school is not responsible for these items if lost, broken or stolen.

-Parents are reminded to please report to the office upon entering the building. We will page your child to meet you at the office. It is most important that the school office be aware of who is in the school building. Thanks very much for your cooperation.

-Milk Program—Students will bring home on Monday, Dec. 6th, the form for prepayment of milk orders for the period from Jan.10, 2011 to Feb. 16, 2011. Payment and the forms are due at the school by Monday, Dec. 13, 2010. Unfortunately, any late orders will not be accepted. Please note that milk days are now Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, in order to accommodate the Saputo delivery schedule

-Please make sure your child is wearing proper clothing during this snowy time of year and make sure they have indoor shoes.

THANK YOU !!!

-Thank you to Mr. Dana Lewis and Ms. Power for creating our Nativity Scene for our Christmas Card. We are most appreciative of your expertise.



"HOME & SCHOOL CONNECTION"

We have subscribed to a publication whereby monthly newsletters and information are sent to us regarding great tips about communication between home and school, study skills and work habit tips and other timely information. The pink sheet attached to this newsletter contains the December issue. The publication comes from the States so please disregard the American connection. Let us know what you think of the information.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL COOKBOOKS

Please consider buying one of the school's cookbooks for Christmas presents. They are a great deal at \$15. Cookbooks are available at the school office.

HOT LUNCH DATES FOR THE MONTH OF December, 2010

Monday, December 06th 2010 ~ Hot Turkey Lunch

The SHS Parents Support Group will be preparing this wonderful Turkey Lunch for staff and every child in the school. If your child does not want to participate in the lunch, it is the responsibility of their parent/guardian to provide them with an alternate lunch on that day which they will bring with them to the gymnasium. We ask that you please inform the school office if this will be the case.

PIZZA LUNCHES: These are the dates for this month: **December 3rd, 10th, & 16th 2010.** Parents are reminded that late orders cannot be accepted and payment **MUST** accompany order forms.

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

The next PSG meeting will be held on Monday, January 10, 2011 at 2:30 P.M. in our school library. All parents are welcome to attend.



ABSENTEE NOTES

Check with the school office to see if you have any outstanding notes. Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to Absentee Notes. Absentee Notes are crucial to our school funding.

COMMUNITY /PARISH EVENTS

CHRISTMAS MASSES AT SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL: There will be a Children's Christmas Mass on Christmas Eve at 7:00 P.M. Children are invited to join Mrs. Murphy in singing in the choir.

There will also be Mass at Midnight, as well as Mass on Christmas Day at 10:00 A.M.

BROWN BAG IT FOR ADVENT: Watch for your child to bring home a note regarding this program where students and staff are encouraged to bring a brown bag with a lunch for a guest at St. Vincent de Paul Drop-In Centre on 2nd Avenue. Empty lunch bags go home with students on Wednesday, December 8th and are to be returned on Friday, December 10th in the morning. Information regarding suggested lunch items are listed on the notice children will be bringing home.

SPORTS EVENTS

Knights of Columbus Volleyball Tournament: Congratulations to our Boys' and Girls' volleyball teams for their awesome team work and sportsmanship displayed at the tournament last weekend held at St. Mary's School. We were proud of our second place finish. Volleyball Medals will be presented at the school assembly on Friday, Dec. 3rd. They represented themselves and our school well. A special thank you to their coaches, Mr. Gillis and Mrs. Glennen.

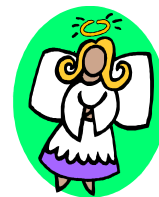


Skating in the New Year: Skating is just one of the many extracurricular "healthy living" activities that is offered by Sacred Heart School. We are committed to providing our students with opportunities to experience a variety of healthy choices. Skating is one activity in which the students can have a life time involvement. We are so lucky to have the Coliseum Skating Rink within walking distance of our school. Skating starts for our Intermediate students on January 7, 2011 and for the Primaries on January 10, 2011. Watch for permission slips and more information to go home as soon as we return to school in January.



IMPORTANT EVENTS—December 2010

02nd (Thursday)	- 12:10 p.m.	-	Advent Prayer Friend Mass in Cathedral.
03rd (Friday)	- 12:00 p.m.	-	Pizza Lunch
03rd (Friday)	- 8:30 a.m	-	Assembly
05th (Sunday)		-	Second Sunday of Advent
06th (Monday)	- 11:30 a.m.	-	Turkey Lunch for Staff and Students
07th (Tuesday)	-12:30 to 1:45 p.m.	-	Primary Christmas Rotation
08th (Wednesday)		-	Brown Bag Lunches for St. Vincent de Paul Go Home
08th (Wednesday)	- 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.	-	Choir performs at Gorse Manor
09th (Thursday)	- 2:30 to 5:00 p.m.	-	Poinsettia Pick-up in Assembly Area
10th (Friday)		-	Brown Bag Lunches for St. Vincent de Paul Returned
10th (Friday)	- 8:30 a.m.	-	Advent Assembly
10th (Friday)	- 9:45 to 11:30 a.m.	-	School Choir at Gateway Manor
10th (Friday)		-	Pizza Lunch
10th (Friday)		-	Movie Night
10th (Friday)	- 2:30 to 5 p.m.	-	Poinsettia Pick-up in Assembly Area
12th (Sunday)		-	Third Sunday of Advent
14th (Tuesday)	- 12:30 to 2:00 p.m.	-	Gr. 2/3 to St. Vncent de Paul Drop-In Centre
16th (Thursday)		-	Pizza Lunch
16th (Thursday)	- 7:00 p.m.	-	Parish/School Christmas Concert in Cathedral Doors open at 6:30 P.M.
17th (Friday)	- 9:00 a.m.	-	School Mass
17th (Friday)	-10:15 a.m.	-	Christmas Caroling—Primary Assembly Area
17th (Friday)	- 11:30 a.m.	-	Early Dismissal for Christmas Vacation (Non Instructional Day P.M. only)
19th (Sunday)		-	Fourth Sunday of Advent
24th (Friday)		-	Christmas Eve
25th (Saturday)		-	Christmas Day!



Looking Ahead To January, 2011

04th	-	School Commences After Christmas Vacation—K-7
07th	-	Skating Commences—Grades 4/5/6/7—12:30-1:30 p.m.
10th	-	Skating Commences—Grades 1/2/3—12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

