



Weekly Mailer – December 3rd

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Faith First – Educating children while building a Catholic foundation that instills Christian values.



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Blessed Advent. I am so grateful to be a part of a school family that celebrates the Advent season. I was not raised Catholic so I did not partake in Advent celebrations until I became a teacher at St. Matthias School. I have grown to love this season because it calls believers to focus on the coming of our savior, Jesus Christ. Immanuel, God with us. I hope you and your family find time each day to ponder the miracle and blessing of the Christ-child. How great God's love for us! How truly blessed we are!

Student Absences

As we close the first trimester, the office is reviewing student attendance. Please remember to contact the school office by phone or email when your student will be absent from school, out for an appointment, or will be gone on vacation. Please leave the time and date(s) of the absence with your communication. Thank you for helping us keep accurate records.

Christmas Concert

This year's Christmas concert featuring grades K4-4 will be videotaped during the school day on December 16. We will not have a live concert. Students in K4-4 will be able to dress up for this special event. More information regarding the taping of our concert will be sent home shortly.

Please know that the decision to not have an in-person concert was not made lightly. As our former music teacher, I fully understand the joy, significance, and importance (academically and religiously) of this time together as a school family. However, due to the current number of cases of Covid in our area and the city's recommendations that all people return to masking indoors, we felt that an in-person concert was not appropriate at this time.

Immaculate Conception Mass

On December 8 Mass will be prepared and led by grade 7. School Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday this coming week due to the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Masked visitors are welcome to celebrate School Mass. Please sit in the visitor's section.

SAC Meeting

The next SAC meeting will be Tuesday, December 14th at 6:00PM. A link will be sent via the Remind on the day of the meeting.

Bulldog Award

The Bulldog Award is awarded to a classroom that has been found to be hardworking, curious, and kind. This week, the bulldog award goes to 7th grade. It was a pleasure to listen to their conversation during religion this week. They were curious about Advent and asked some very insightful questions. Keep working hard, 7th grade.



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Soles Walk Reward Day

Before Thanksgiving break the student body watched as I was taped to the wall as a reward for students reaching our \$5,000 goal. You can see pictures and even a video on our school Facebook page. Check it out!

COVID-19 Updates

This week's Covid summary:

- Seven students returned to school on Friday, December 3 after being quarantined.
- Four student/staff member(s) are quarantining due to being a close contact or having a positive test result.

Blessings,

Mrs. Alissa Turner

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