



ST. PAT'S POST

Newsletter for St. Patrick Catholic School
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ADVENT BEGINS SUNDAY

In the secular sense, the "Holiday Season" is already under way.

But the Church officially begins celebrating the great mysteries of God becoming man in the Child Jesus this Sunday. ADVENT literally means "to come". There are 3 comings we prepare for: 1- Christ being born man, 2- our Lord coming into hearts each time we pray and most profoundly in the Eucharist, then 3- His coming at the end of time. This preparation culminates with the celebration of Jesus' birthday on Christmas. The actual "Christmas Season" then continues until at least the EPIPHANY (a.k.a. 3 Kings Day, 1-7-18) and the BAPTISM OF JESUS (1-8-18). So, in all our cooking, cleaning, shopping, decorating, etc. etc. etc. be sure to invite the Lord into that, find joy in the anticipation before Christmas, and continue the celebration to its fulfillment.



With the upcoming holidays, and even looking ahead to next semester, this may be a good time to remind everyone about the SCRIP Program. As a school we only do 2 fundraisers, Auction and Chili Feed. However, you may also purchase SCRIP Gift Cards in the office. Almost every store, gas station, etc. has these gift cards, you still get the full value of the money, but a percentage is donated back to the school. It is the easiest and most efficient way to raise money for the school, IT DOESN'T COST YOU ANYTHING!!! Anyone can buy them anytime, just contact the school office.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS AT ST. PATRICK'S

ALL PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY!!!!

This Saturday 12-2-16 Parish Hall 6-8pm
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, December 8

Thursday 12-7-17 at 5pm or

Friday 12-8-17 at 8am or 6pm

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Tuesday 12-5-17 Municipal Building 7pm

CAROLING AT WOODRIDGE ESTATES

ST. PATRICK'S SINGERS 12-15-17 1pm

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

Wed, December 13, 6pm in the church

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS TREE BLESSING

Wednesday, December 20, NOON

(check calendar for classroom party times)

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

With ST. PATRICK'S SINGERS at 6pm

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

Midnight and 9am

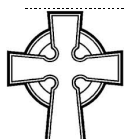


ALSO WORTH MENTIONING:

After a championship volleyball season, the Lady Saints have continued their winning ways. In fact, in this early part of the season, all St. Pat's basketball teams (boys and girls, grades 3-8) have a combined 12 wins, only 1 loss, and 2 preseason tournament championships!!!

Daycare & Latch-Key dates:

- Immaculate Conception, Friday Dec 8, school, daycare and latch-key all closed
- Wed, Dec 20, early dismissal, latch-key and daycare both open until 5:30pm
- Christmas Break Dec 21 until Jan 2, school, daycare, and latch-key all closed
- School, daycare, and latch-key all resume on Wed Jan 3, 2017



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