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We at St. Nicholas Catholic School would like to wish all of you a very Blessed Thanksgiving, and to those of you who hunt, “good luck and be safe”.



On **Wednesday, November 23**, our school will be celebrating our “anticipated” Thanksgiving liturgy. We ask that the students all **bring in a canned good or non perishable** item to donate to our local food pantry.

Wednesday, November 23 is an early holiday dismissal. Students will be dismissed at 12:10 with busing provided.

December, 2022



Heavenly Father, heal our hearts during this season of Advent. Help us to **love** more fully, to **forgive** more **generously**, to **wait** more **patiently** for Christmas, embracing each day and hour knowing the joy that awaits. In Your name we pray. Amen.

Congratulations to all of our 2nd grade students who made their First Sacrament of Reconciliation. May you continue to grow closer to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Thank you Mrs. Elizabeth Gueguen who works so hard to prepare these students.



Congratulations to our Elementary Reading Competition team who placed 2nd at the competition held last week in Bellwood. Our kids competed with 29 other schools both public and Catholic. The winners are: Brynn Miller, Andrew Farabaugh, Sophia Kline, Camden Pizarchik, Jordan Westrick, Hank Lieb, Liza Born, Isaac Wilson, Abram Dumm, Emily Myslivy, Alex Westrick, Ruth Lieb, Amelia Kline, and Michael Farabaugh. A special thank you to Mrs. Laurie Kelly who coached these students and to Mrs. Lexi Kline and Mrs. Lynn Myslivy who volunteered their time to travel with the team to be a scorekeeper or moderator.

We will be holding our annual Ornament Exchange again this year. Individual students or families may bring in an ornament that will hang on our St. Nicholas school tree for the month. During the last week of school, we will do an exchange of ornaments with the idea that the family or individual whose ornament you receive, you will offer a special prayer for that person(people). Please send in all ornaments (home made or bought) to the office clearly marked with your child’s name or family name if you choose to participate.





The month of December is a special time for our students and staff as we raise money to help local people. All money raised will be to help local people in need – Christmas presents for those in nursing homes who have no families to get them anything and local angel tree participants. For a donation of at least \$1, students may “Dress for a Cause”. Students may wear Christmas hats, shirts, socks and jeans on the designated days but only sneakers or school shoes may be worn. No boots or other shoes that are not designed for play and safety may be worn. Dress down days are:

Friday, December 2

Friday, December 9

Friday December 16

Friday, December 23

Tuesday, December 20 is Ugly Sweater Day. Students may wear jeans with their ugly sweater and a contest will be held for the “Best of the Ugliers”. A \$1 entry fee will get you into the contest.

Students may also wear Christmas ties, socks and hats any day with uniform during the month of December for a donation.

Friday, December 9 will be our annual Christmas caroling around town in the evening. More details to follow.

Thursday, December 15 is our annual St. Nicholas Christmas Concert. It will be held at St. Nicholas Church Hall at 6:30 p.m. Please plan to attend.

Other Important Dates:

December 5 – The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered to students in grades 3-8.

December 6 – The Feast of St. Nicholas – students will have mass at 11:00 and a “visit from St. Nicholas” later that afternoon.

December 8 – Holy Day of Obligation – Immaculate Conception – mass at 1:00 p.m.

December 13 – St. Nicholas school council meeting – 6:30 p.m. – Library

December 23 – Early Dismissal – 12:10 – busing provided

There are many other events that are planned for December -stay tuned for more information as dates are set.