



St. James School Weekly News

December 20, 2007

UPCOMING DATES

Thursday, December 20th

Friday, December 21st

Wednesday, January 9th

CiCi's Pizza Night – 4:30 PM to 8:00 PM

Noon Dismissal – Beginning of Christmas Break

Extended Care – 12:00 Noon to 6:00 PM

Classes Resume for Students

THE TRUE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS

We want to wish everyone a Blessed, Merry Christmas and God's Blessings in the New Year—2008! We reflect on the past year and feel so fortunate to be surrounded by such a wonderful school community! May you enjoy the time with your family and friends during this Christmas season.

The generosity poured out on the Bodnar family has been overwhelming! In displaying the true meaning of Christmas, donations have come in that will certainly help the Bodnars begin to rebuild after losing their home. At this time, monetary donations can be given to Bank of the West, 850 S. State Route 291 HWY, Liberty, MO 64068. (Located by Price Chopper). The account is in the Bodnar family name.

We would like to remind you of the Christmas Mass times: Christmas Eve Mass will be at 4PM in the Parish Gym *and* the Church, and then again at 7PM and 11PM in the Church. Christmas Day Mass is at 9AM. Come worship the Newborn King!

OUT-OF-UNIFORM DAY

On **Friday, December 21st**, all students who bring in a donation will be allowed to wear their favorite Christmas attire. The donations will help cover the cost of our pod delivery fees. All donations will be gladly accepted and can be as minimal as a \$1.00 per student.

CLASSROOM RELOCATION

The temporary relocation of our Music, Art, Computer Lab, and current 5th grade classes begins this Friday at 9AM. Please contact the school office if you will be able to volunteer. We invite and encourage all volunteers to report to the office and sign in. Throughout the day, many opportunities to assist are available. Help is welcome anytime during the day and greatly appreciated. We ask that you bring your cordless drill along!

EXTENDED CARE

Dismissal on Friday occurs at Noon. Extended Care will be offered from Noon until 6:00 PM. Students of parent volunteers may attend extended care during the time their parents are helping with the relocation process. However, for planning purposes we ask that you contact the school office to let us know if your child will be going to extended care. **Students will need to bring a sack lunch to extended care, as hot lunch is not served.**

AUCTION 2007 PARENT SURVEY

We want to thank those of you who returned the survey that was sent out in regards to the annual school auction. We ask that you complete and return the survey to the school office by **Friday, December 21st**. Please take a moment to fill out the survey objectively to allow us to compile the results and make the recommended changes necessary to improve our auction and the auction process.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Thanks for all who attended the Christmas Concert on Tuesday evening. The students who performed did an excellent job and we want to thank them for their efforts. We also would like to extend congratulations to Mrs. Barron who has orchestrated another fine performance with her students.

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST

On Saturday, January 12th, there are high school placement tests scheduled at Archbishop O'Hara, Bishop LeBlond, Cristo Rey, Notre Dame de Sion, Rockhurst, St. Mary's, St. Pius X, and St. Teresa's. The tests are given annually by the Kansas City ~ St. Joseph Diocese as a requirement for entering Catholic high schools. At each location, the doors will open at 8:00 AM, and the test will begin at 8:30 AM. Please call the school of your choice to reserve space for the placement test. When registering, check with the school for cost and the items that students need to bring.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

