

November 21, 2024

Dear families! I can't believe November is almost over! We, at Saint Paul's Catholic School, would like to wish you a very happy and blessed Thanksgiving! Next week we will be in session for only two days. There will be no family folder.

It was a pleasure seeing so many families visiting the school this week for parent conferences. Thank you for taking the time to discuss your child's social and academic growth with teachers.

Wreaths will be delivered and sorted on Sunday at the Rectory Garage at noon. You may pick them up at 7:40-8:00 on Monday morning and 2:40-3:00 Monday afternoon. Father would like his garage back ASAP, so please make arrangements to come get your piles. As soon as candles arrive, I will let you know.

Lotto calendars are is included. Families are required to sell 20 (or more!) calendars each. Please return the enclosed envelop to school with your \$100 and 20 tickets. Mark your family name on the small envelope so we can keep track of the payment submissions. A great thank you to all families that helped solicit prizes or put the calendar together. These make great stocking stuffers and gifts. At only \$5, you can give them to your neighbors, the bus driver, coach, babysitter, or teachers. It a gift that keeps on giving all month long.

Cold weather is settling in. Please be sure your child has appropriate outdoor clothes at school daily. We will enjoy playing in the snow. Speaking of snow, please be sure to update your parent portal on RenWeb in the event of inclement weather and an alert for either a delay or closure. We try desperately not to close early as it does make it difficult for families that are working, but occasionally we will encourage you to come early to send our staff home safely from the afterschool program. If you would like to add additional parent pick up contacts or emergency pick up contacts, you have access to all of that using the portal.

Enclosed is a **permission slip** for a bus trip to Michaud Manor in Derbyline for caroling on Wednesday, December 4. Students in grades K-7 will ride the bus. PreK students must ride with their parents.

See the reverse of this newsletter for important dates to remember from now until Christmas break. We're going to be busy!

God bless you!!!

Important Dates

Nov 26 – Sweatshirt orders with payment are due to Bell Apparel

Nov 27-Dec 1 – Thanksgiving Break

Dec 4 Meet with the Bishop. 6:00 PM Orleans Church

Dec 4 – Caroling at Nursing Homes. Dress up in festive colors! Piano players, don't forget your books!

Dec 6 – School mass with Bishop John. 8:30 AM. Let's pack the house. Bring your family and a neighbor!

Dec 9 – Holy Day mass 8:30. Immaculate Conception of Mary.

Dec 11 – School Christmas Concert 6:00PM in the church. FREE and all are welcomed!

Dec 17 - 2-4 volunteers needed to run a Christmas Shop for our students. We'll be collecting gently used items to "sell" in exchange for a food item or a quarter for our church food shelf.

Dec 20 – School Mass 8:30 and good news assembly immediately following.

Dec 21-Jan 5 Closed for Christmas and New Year Celebrations. See you next year!!