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St. Bede Catholic School

Family Newsletter



Principals' Message

Advent is a holy season of quiet waiting in anticipation for Christ's coming into the world and into our hearts. Yet during this month of December we can become overwhelmed with the Christmas shopping, holiday to-do lists, and festive events and parties that we may overlook the opportunities to experience moments of prayer and reflection, solitude and peace. Our Church provides several experiences to encourage us to slow down and appreciate the sacredness of Advent.

Holy Day of Obligation

Feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8th
School Liturgy-11:00 AM

Weekday Mass

Mon-Fri-8:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri-9:00-6:00 PM (Adoration Chapel)
Wed-2:00-9:00 PM (Church)

Reconciliation

Wed-8:30 AM & 6:30 PM (English only)
Sat-3:30-4:15 PM (English & Spanish)

6 Ideas for Celebrating Advent as a Family

<http://www.lifeway.com/Article/ideas-for-celebrating-advent-as-a-family>

List of Advent Activities and Christmas Countdown Fun

<http://adrielbooker.com/family-advent-activities-christmas-countdown-fun/>



Calendar Updates

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| Wed, 11/30 | Shoe Drive Ends
Report Cards Go Home |
| Thurs, 12/1 | 8th Grade Retreat
(until 12/2) |
| Sun, 12/4 | 8:30-2:00 PM-Santa Breakfast
10:30 Mass-Grades K-2 |
| Thurs, 12/8 | 11:00 AM-Feast of the
Immaculate Conception Mass |
| Fri, 12/9 | 8:30 AM-Spelling Bee |
| Thurs, 12/15 | 6:30 PM-Christmas Concert |
| Fri, 12/16 | 8:30 AM-Student of the
Month & SLE Awards |
| Tues, 12/20 | 9:00 AM-Reconciliation
Prayer Service |
| Wed, 12/21 | 12:00 PM Dismissal
NO PM Extended Care |

Hornet's Nest Activities

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| Wed, 11/30 | Baking |
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School Mission

*We are committed to handing
on the Catholic faith.*

Learning More about Your Child

Today the students will bring home their first trimester report cards. In addition, students in grades 2-8 will take home their STAR Math and Reading Assessments. These reports provide an opportunity for students to share about the academic progress they have made and the areas for growth. We encourage you to have supportive dialogue about your child's learning regarding their second trimester goals and the ways that you can provide additional assistance throughout the school year.



Enjoying Our Santa Breakfast

Family and friends are welcome to our Santa Breakfast on *Sun, Dec. 4th from 8:30 AM-2:00 PM*. The breakfast includes pancakes, eggs and sausage. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$4 for children. After the 10:30 AM and 12:30 PM Masses, tacos, burritos, and quesadillas will also be served. Order forms were included in last week's Family Envelope. There will also be a holiday boutique and a photo booth with Santa. Proceeds will support our staff Christmas gifts. Your support and assistance is greatly appreciated.



Helping at Our Santa Breakfast

Are you one of Santa's special helpers? We need your help in preparing an exciting and successful Santa Breakfast for our school and parish community. *We are looking for several volunteers to help in the kitchen, clean-up, and to take photos on Sun, Dec. 4th. Please check out Sign-Up Genius for service hour shifts.* Santa and our school are grateful for your generous assistance.



Creating Student Decorations

All of our students are invited to create decorations for our upcoming Crab Feed. The students are taking home directions for making a scuba diver with a small photo of their face. *Please have your child turn in their completed art project to their classroom teacher by Fri, Dec. 9th.* Thank you for helping your child with this creative decoration that our PTG President, *Andrea Luna*, prepared for our students.

Assisting with Our Christmas Concert

We are in need 3-4 volunteers to help set-up chairs, our stage and sound equipment on **Wed, Dec. 14th from 8:00-10:00 AM** in preparation for our Christmas Concert. After the concert, we also would need help putting the chairs away. With many generous, helping hands, the clean-up will be finished in a flash.



Celebrating Our Christmas Concert

Ms. Paguio, our teachers and students are working hard to prepare a wonderful Christmas Concert for you and your families to enjoy. Students are encouraged to wear festive clothing or their Christmas Sunday best. ***Our Christmas Concert will take place in the Parish Center on Thurs, Dec. 15th at 6:30 PM, and students are expected to go to their classrooms at 6:00 PM. Please remember that students are expected to be accompanied by an adult rather than dropped off for the performance.*** Thank you so much for your support and cooperation.



Giving Thanks to God and Feasting with Our Friends

We are grateful to all of our Room Parents and parent volunteers who hosted such fun and festive Thanksgiving feasts for our students. Family, fellowship, food and friendship are some of the many blessings we celebrate and cherish.

