

## Your Weekly Monday Memo... Monday, January 11, 2016

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:** Many of you probably have already noticed the change of personnel in our Front Office. Over Christmas break Quiara Toro got engaged! She had informed us that she will be moving to Miami and finishing up college by getting her Master's degree. Please join us in welcoming Linda Puntel, Front Office and Clinic to her new position. Linda has worked the Kitchen, After School/Summer Enrichment Camps/Clinic and has coached many sports teams during her 24 years here at St. James.

**IMPORTANT TAX INFORMATION:** Tax statements showing 2015 payments for afterschool and summer care are being mailed this week. These reflect charges and payments during 2015, as these payments MAY be tax deductible for you (consult your tax advisor for deductibility). Do NOT use these statements to pay outstanding balances; you will be **emailed** statements on or around the 15<sup>th</sup>, as usual, which will reflect current amounts due.

If you are a Pre K parent, Pre K tuition may be tax deductible (once again, consult your tax advisor for deductibility). Pre K tuition is paid through the FACTS Tuition Management System; you can access your FACTS account and print out the 2015 payment detail from their website. Thank you. Linda Shaughnessy, School Accountant.



**Let the competition begin!!!** Help Fr. John regain his title as winner of the Souper Bowl! St. James is competing with Holy Family and St. John Vianney to see who can collect the most cans of soup for the national organization called Souper Bowl of Caring. Please Join the Cathedral SOAR in donating Soup for the Souper Bowl of Caring on Sunday Jan, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> and Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>. Buckets will be in the donut room, and the back of the entrance of the front of the Cathedral. All proceeds will benefit St. James St.

Vincent DePaul. **Mission Statement of Souper Bowl of Caring:** Using the energy of the Super Bowl to mobilize youth in a united national effort to care for people in their local communities who are hungry and those in need. For more info please go to [www.souperbowlofcaring.org](http://www.souperbowlofcaring.org). You may also drop off your cans of soup at your school's front office. Please let me know if you need more details. God Bless, **Nancy Webb, SJCC Youth Ministry**  
**407-422-2005 ext 112.**



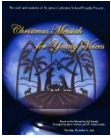
**SICS SPIRIT DAY at MOE's!** - Join us on January 21, for an all-day event at MOE's! It is the one in Winter Park at 847 S Orlando Ave, Winter Park, FL 32789. Come and enjoy great food! 25% of the proceeds will go back to St. James! This is a PPA sponsored event. If you have any questions, please contact parent Delnises Cruz at [delnises@yahoo.com](mailto:delnises@yahoo.com).

**OFFICER KEITH GIBSON BEING HONORED!** Our very own Officer Keith Gibson will be honored for his community service work that he has done, on January 29<sup>th</sup> at a Solar Bears game. We have received word that Carson Ugucconi will be out there on the ice with Officer Gibson when they present him with this award. If you wish to purchase tickets for this game, please wait. We will have special ticket pricing and blocked seats for our group to sit together. More details will be coming out this week. Just wanted everyone to "save the date" if interested.

Below is a short story on how this wonderful event began.

*"In December just before our break Ann Marie and Officer Gibson did something very special for both Cole and Carson. They have been so supportive of Carson and Cole since Carson's diagnosis. They had family and friends in WI collect an assortment of Green Bay Packer and WI Badger swag to give to the boys. Officer Gibson wanted to make it special - so he delivered the goodies to our house in his patrol car - with lights and sirens! The boys - and several of our neighbors - we're so surprised!*

*It was such a nice thing to do - I posted it on Facebook to thank the Gibson's. OPD saw it and contacted me to see if they could repost my post as they wanted to acknowledge Officer Gibson. As a result - Solar Bears representatives also became aware of it - and contacted me to see if we would be interested in attending a Solar Bears game on 1/29 where they would like to honor Officer Gibson for his community service. They have asked if Carson could join him on the ice when they give him an award."*



**The 2015 Christmas Concert performance** from Grades 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> DVD is now available for purchase! COST: \$25.00/ea. You can bring in cash or check made out to St. James Cathedral School to pick up your DVD from the Front Office at that time.

**PPA SPIRITWEAR** - Prepare for cool weather **spirit wear!** See our school website for all of our Spirit Wear for all year! We have sweatshirt hoodies and long sleeve apparel available to purchase now that the weather has gotten cooler. Don't forget, you can use the order form from the website at any time and hand it in to the front office. Orders can be picked up in the PPA office in accordance with SCRIP pick up schedule. For any questions please contact Anne Marie Melvin at [amelvin@cfl.rr.com](mailto:amelvin@cfl.rr.com).

**SPECIAL INVITATION:** **You're invited – Bishop Moore Catholic High School** would like to invite you and our school community to a special event at Bishop Moore Catholic High School on **Thursday, January 14 at 6:30pm in their Gymnasium**, hosting **Sister Helen Prejean**, author of "Dead Man Walking." This is a great opportunity for your parents and older students to hear about mercy in a different way as Sister Helen discusses the death penalty and her experiences with inmates. Their students will also have a Fair Trade Cafe with coffee and chocolate available in the Media Center. Please contact Amanda Livermore, Director of Mission Effectiveness at BMCHS – 407-293-7561 ext: 233.

**YEARBOOK PHOTOS NEEDED** - Want to see your favorite photos in our school yearbook? If you have photos of your students participating in any school related activity or sports, please email them to [adriana53@yahoo.com](mailto:adriana53@yahoo.com) or copy your photos to a CD or flash drive labeled with your name and drop it off at the front office. We will return your flash drive. The deadline for submitting photos for the yearbook is **Friday, February 5.**

***Speaking of YEARBOOKS...*** Order forms will be coming home with your child this week. Give your child a book full of memories of this wonderful 2015-2016 school year. The early bird price is \$30.00. After January 30<sup>th</sup>, the yearbook will cost \$40.00. Don't wait and order yours today! You can also order online by going to [ybpay.lifetouch.com](http://ybpay.lifetouch.com) and put in Yearbook ID code: 5675716.

**MISSION OFFICE - DONATION DRIVES** - between now and **Wednesday, February 10**, we will continue collecting new sneakers/tennis shoes for the children of our sister Diocese of San Juan de la Maguana. Please help us send these much needed items to them. We are so fortunate here in the U.S. and we have so much to be thankful for. If you are able to donate any of these items, please bring them to the front office **on or before Wednesday, February 10.** Thank you so much.

**PAC ADVERTISING BANNER FUNDRAISER** - The Panther Athletic Club (PAC) is proud to present a unique opportunity for our families here at St. James. Show your support for our athletic program by purchasing a spirit banner to be placed in our gym. These banners can be used as an advertising space for your business or office or can be a space to wish your child best of luck all year long! The funds raised through our banner will go directly to our sports program to fund new basketball uniforms, new volleyball equipment and more! Thank you, Lisa Watson, PAC Athletic Director – [pacsportsclub@gmail.com](mailto:pacsportsclub@gmail.com)

## **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

### **JANUARY 2016**

Tuesday, 12 – 7:30am – SCRIP/SPIRITWEAR order due

Wednesday, 13 – 2:15pm Dismissal

Thursday, 14 – 9am – Miami Glee Club Performance – Assembly Hall

Thursday, 14 – 6:30pm – BMCHS Gym - presenter Sr. Helen Prejean – Dead Man Walking – The Journey Continues

Friday, 15 – 7:30am SCRIP/SPIRITWEAR order pickup

Friday, 15 – 8:15am – Mass – Assembly Hall

Monday, 18 – MLK day – School closed

Wednesday, 20 – 2:15pm Dismissal

Thursday, 21 – Geography Bee

Thursday, 21 – Spirit DAY at MOE's in Winter Park. 25% of the proceeds go back to SJCS!

Friday, 22 – Rosary – Assembly Hall – led by grade 3

Tuesday, 26 – 7:30am – SCRIP/SPIRITWEAR order due

Wednesday, 27 – 2:15pm Dismissal

Friday, 29 – 7:30am – SCRIP/SPIRITWEAR order pickup

Friday, 29 – Chapel – All day Adoration

Friday, 29 – 7:30am SCRIP/SPIRITWEAR order pickup

Friday, 29 – Solar Bear Game Honoring Officer Keith Gibson

Sunday, 31 – 9am – Mass at the Cathedral – Catholic Schools Week begins

Sunday, 31 – 10:30am – Open House for new Families

### **FEBRUARY 2016 – please note: There are NO Noon Dismissal this month**

Feb. 1 – 5 – Catholic Schools Week begins. We have a week full of activities planned! TBA

Wednesday, 3 – 2:15pm Dismissal

Friday, 5 – PPA's First Friday Coffee on the cobbles

Wednesday, 10 – 2:15pm Dismissal

Sunday, 14 – 9am (after Mass) 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Parents and Students help serve coffee and donuts at the Cathedral

Monday, 15 – President's Day! School Closed

Wednesday, 17 – 2:15pm Dismissal

Monday, 19 – 8:15am – Divine Mercy Chaplet

Wednesday, 24 – 2:15pm Dismissal

E-mail the MONDAY MEMO at [monday.memo@stjcs.com](mailto:monday.memo@stjcs.com) All submissions are subject to revision. Thank you.