



St. Charles Catholic School
Wednesday Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Advent Prayer

As we begin Advent, we light our candle to light up all the darkness in our lives and in the world. It symbolizes our longing, our desire, and our hope. These three "advent" comings shape our desire. We want to experience Jesus' coming to us now, in our everyday lives, to help us live our lives with meaning and purpose.

As we begin this week, let us each light our inner candle and take a few moments to pause and focus on Jesus.

O Jesus Christ, Emmanuel, come and dwell with us. Desire of all nations; Gift to every generation, come, make your home with us.

All nations, everybody, is waiting for you, boys and girls are waiting for you, people in America are waiting for you. People in all lands are waiting for you. Jesus, come to us.

Gift Giving:

It is the Christmas time of year, a time of giving and sharing with others.. Our school has a policy regarding our teacher gift giving. The policy is in our school handbook and it reads: TEACHER GIFTS – Communicate with the classroom parent or class families regarding teacher gift. Offerings collected can be between the range of \$1.00 - \$5.00. Any collection taken will be presented on behalf of the entire class.

Thank you for all that you do and we appreciate your understanding.

School Principal
Doug Dunlop

OFFICE NOTES/REMINDERS

Announcement for all 3-5th Graders

The Nutcracker field trip is on Thursday, December 13th. PLEASE **INCLUDE A SACK LUNCH** with your child, because we will not be arriving back at school until after 1:30 p.m. Thank you!

Congratulations Tank Kihslinger!

You are the winner of a \$50 Amazon gift certificate from QSP for the 2007-2008 magazine sale. Your name was entered in the drawing for having at least on online sale. Enjoy!

Please contact Renee Horning at 538-0994 for additional info on how to receive your prize.

NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Breakfast with Santa

We are still in need of **raffle** donations for Breakfast with Santa. Any **cash** donation, big or small, is also appreciated. Please send donations attention Jenny Ostermann or call with any questions at 369-0318.

We are also in need of volunteers for the event. Please sign up on the volunteer form and return to the school office.

Thanks for all your help.

COMMITTEE NEWS/Fundraising SCRIP ORDER

Remember our great teachers at St. Charles this Christmas with a SCRIP gift certificate. They can redeem the certificate for any of over 80 retailers and restaurants.

Orders Due in Office by <Friday, 12/7> For Pick Up on <Thursday, 12/13>.

Email orders can be sent up until NOON on <Saturday, 12/8> to scripforschool@msn.com.

If you have any questions, call Mary Rohr at 246-8348 or send us an email at scripforschool@msn.com.

CLASSROOM VS. CLASSROOM



The classroom that collects the most will win a \$5 gift card for each student in the class.

Now through February 1st each classroom has collection bins for this promotion.

If you have any questions please contact Carrie Gleisner at carrie@drewgleisener.com.

McDonald's has offered us \$gift cards at the cost of only \$1. The gift cards will be handed out at the beginning of March, once all totals have come in.

Winning class will be determined by student to item ration and will be announced once all items are counted.

MARKET DAY

Last chance before the Holidays! Check out the great and east appetizers, perfect for entertaining.
Remember to pick up some snacks for the kids during Christmas Break.

Orders Due to School Office by 3:00 <Thursday, 12/6>,
or online at www.marketday.com by noon <Friday, 12/7>
Pickup is <Tuesday, 12/11 >, after school at 3:30.

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EXTRA CURRICULAR

Miscellaneous

St. Charles Christmas Concert

Will be held on Tuesday, December 11, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.

In the Rec Center.

The theme for our concert will be
Miracle on Bethlehem Street.

Please come and hear all the children sing and play their instruments.
It will get you into the Christmas spirit.

Refreshments and treats will be served after the concert, so please stay
and visit with friends and family.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

December 7th – All School Mass – Weekday of the First Week of Advent

Prepared By 6th Grade

December 11th – Christmas Concert...6:30

December 14th – All School Mass – Weekday of the Second Week of Advent

Prepared By 5th Grade

December 15th – Breakfast with Santa...8:30...10:00...11:30

December 24th – NO SCHOOL – Christmas Vacation Begins

January 1st – NO SCHOOL – New Year's Day

January 2nd – School Resumes

January 18th – All School Mass – Weekday of the First Week of Ordinary Time

Prepared By 4th Grade

January 24th – End of Quarter 2

January 25th – All School Mass – Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul

Prepared By 3rd Grade

Have A Great Week Everyone!!