



Dear Parents,

Our 8th grade class helped our school community begin our Advent Season with an amazing Prayer Service on Monday morning. They and their religion teacher, Ms. Appert, with the help of all the Pre-K to 7th grade students created a living Advent wreath in the gym. 8th grade students sat in the middle while other small groups formed the 4 candles representing Hope, Joy, Peace and Love. It was a truly amazing and moving Prayer Service. Check out our school's Facebook page for pictures. (<https://www.facebook.com/stjoesyakima/>)

RAFFLE INFORMATION

We spent most of yesterday reviewing each family's Raffle Page. In doing so, we found many families with tickets not returned (3780 still out). We have enclosed a bright green sheet that shows which tickets are still out. Please make every effort to return these tickets to Mr. Pleger's office tomorrow.

SCHOOL WIDE CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

By now, I hope that you have received some information from your child's teacher regarding their adopted family. These families are recommended from programs within the network of services provided by Catholic Charities and are truly in need. We are asking for a little help from our school community to ensure these families will be able to enjoy a wonderful Christmas. Each grade level is collecting items requested by the family as well as non-perishable foods, household items, gift cards, etc. Thank you for your very generous support. This is a wonderful opportunity to show children another way reach out to those who are in great need.



We would like to invite parents to join our new recruitment committee. We will be meeting 3 times a year to discuss our recruitment efforts & brainstorm new ideas for future recruitment. Our first meeting will be Thursday, December 13th right after drop off at Mak Daddy Coffee 28th North 1st Street – the old Northtown Coffee location. We will be meeting downstairs with plenty of room to bring your youngsters! If you have any questions, please contact Marlo McCrea at 425-943-1308 or marlomccrea1@gmail.com Thank you!

FUN ACTIVITIES FOR YOUR FAMILY

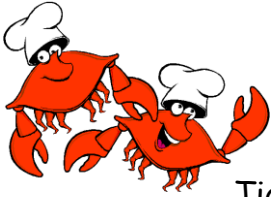
SANTA BREAKFAST: Catholic Daughters of the Americas would like to invite your family to attend their 14th Annual Santa Breakfast at Holy Family Church Gathering Hall on Saturday, December 8th from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. Look for all the details in the enclosed flyer.

WINTER CONCERT presented by the Yakima Youth Symphony Orchestra & Yakima Ensemble for Strings on Sunday, December 9th at 3:00 p.m. at the Capitol Theatre.

LITTLE DRIBBLERS @ La Salle High School – Drills, Skills, and Fun from 3:30 to 5:00. December 9th to February 17th

JINGLE BINGO: Family bingo at St. Joe's Bingo (3112 Main Street in Union Gap) on Sunday, December 16th. All the fun begins at the 11:30 session – doors open at 10 so you have time to get ready to play BINGO plus lots of other fun stuff: Santa plans to visit from 10:30 to 12:30, participate in the Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest with CASH PRIZES (8 – 16 year olds and Adults), grab a 'Santa Sack' goodie bag (while supplies last), and enjoy food specials from the kitchen.

Fresh Catch hours will be included on the next statement. The committee is still sorting thru the contribution piece with the hours. Thank you for your patience.



2019 Crab Feed



Saturday, February 2nd at La Salle High School
Doors open at 5 Dinner served 5:30 to 8:30 & Dancing 9 to 11
Tickets available in the Marquette office on Monday, December 10th

General admission \$55 per ticket!

Golden Tickets (we serve you) only \$100 per ticket!

Plan to join the fun, all-you-can eat crab, free adult beverages and dancing.

DRESSEMBER at ST. JOSEPH MARQUETTE:

This is an opportunity for students to dress-up for school. To participate students simply dress up for school and bring \$2.00 to their homeroom teacher. No restrictions on which day or how many times a student participates in DresseMBER. All proceeds will go to the student's grade level Christmas Express family. DresseMBER will run through Friday, December 21st.

Please note: DresseMBER is about dressing up in 'nice' clothes that are appropriate for school – no jeans, sweats, shorts, t-shirts, etc.

ADVENT COLORING CONTEST: Tomorrow, Thursday, December 6th is the deadline to return entries for this contest. The window is a little tight, but there is still time to enter. Advent Wreath color sheet can be printed from the Option C file library. Select the picture for your child's grade level, color it tonight and return to your child's teacher with a \$1 entry fee. Prizes awarded in three age groups: Pre-K to 2nd, 3rd to 5th, and 6th to 8th.

CHRISTMAS DANCE for the 7th & 8th grade students - Friday, December 14th from 6:30 to 8:30 in the auditorium. Casual dress. Students are asked to bring 2 non-perishable food items for admission. Chaperones: school staff. Snacks will be provided

KOSTKA NEWS: The following students are scheduled to serve at the 9:00 a.m. KOSTKA SUNDAY Mass on Sunday, December 9nd.

Servers: Andrew, Markus, and Michael Berger

Plan to arrive at church by 8:45 and if you are unable to serve, it is your responsibility to find a substitute.

SCHOOL CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Wednesday the 5th

Friday the 7th

Saturday the 8th

Sunday the 9th

Monday the 10th

Thursday the 13th

Friday the 14th

Parent Board meeting at 6:00 p.m.

SCHOOL MASS at 8:40

Mid-Quarter grades will be viewable by parents on Option C (grades 4 to 8)

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Little Dribblers Program at La Salle for K-5 students - 3:30 to 5:00

ADVENT PRAYER SERVICE - 10:15 in the gym

RECONCILIATION PRAYER SERVICE at 8:40 in the church

RECONCILIATION for students in grades 3 to 8 begins at 9:00

SCHOOL MASS at 8:40

7th & 8th grade Winter Dance - 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the auditorium

Date change from
the school
calendar

*Blessings,
Gregg*