

# Monday Update: November 20, 2017



**PTO Meeting!** Thank you to the 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents and homeroom moms for generously supplying refreshments for our PTO meeting last Tuesday. I know it was especially busy while packing for the Barrier Island adventure. Thank you! *Parents, you will find important information that was shared at PTO in today's folder. If you have any questions, you are welcome to contact me at school. ~Mrs. Wilfong*

**Mass Tomorrow:** 7<sup>th</sup> graders have responsibility for tomorrow's Mass. Parents are invited to join us at 9:00am. Girls, please be sure your skirt is the appropriate length. Kindergarten will join us for their first Mass this school year. We have many blessings to celebrate this Thanksgiving season!

**Mass Schedule for the next two weeks is changing!** Students will not attend Mass on Wednesday, Dec. 6, but instead will attend on Friday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> for a Holy Day of Obligation – The Immaculate Conception. The following week, students will attend on Tuesday, Dec. 12 for Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day. No Mass on Wednesday, Dec. 13.

**Thank you!** for your generosity in donating canned goods for the needy in our area. Collectively, our family has gathered over 2,200 cans! I know of students like 3<sup>rd</sup> graders Matthew, Ben, and Nate who used their own money to purchase cans, and even went door-to-door collecting for the needy! Thank you everyone for being truly *altruistic!* *When the final count is in, the class that brings in the most cans will earn a dress down day. Stay tuned for details!*

**Thank you!** Volunteers joined me on Saturday from 9:00-10:30 a.m. to hand out food for the needy. Catholic Charities hosted the event. Thank you to Mason and Alexandra, Lauren, Camillia, and Wren. What a great way to start a Saturday morning!

**Monday, November 27 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trip to see the Nutcracker.**

**School Board Meeting:** Tuesday, Nov. 28 in the school library at 5:00 p.m.

**Altar Server Training:** Father Morgan would like to train interested Altar Servers in grades 4-8 on Wednesday November 29 and Wednesday, December 13 from 3:00-4:00. Please call the front office if your child is interested to reserve a place.

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade is home!** Thank you Mrs. Bucior for leading this great experience and to the parent chaperones: Amanda Battisti, Craig Young, Laura Arakas, Brian Malone, Jenn Maguire, Hafez Hayek, and April Messimer.

**Vision Screening:** The Lions Club provides free vision screening for public and private schools in our area. This is a simple screening that will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 28 for the students in our school. This is simply a screening, not a diagnosis. If there is an indication of a possible problem, you will be notified by the school nurse for recommended follow-up with an optometrist.

**Advent Wreath Project Sat., Dec. 2:** If you are interested in making an Advent Wreath see the flyer in today's folder. Please fill out how many wreaths needed and how many will attend.

**STUDENT COUNCIL UNBOUND SPONSORSHIP:** You might not be aware, but for the past two years our Student Council has sponsored a young, Guatemalan boy, Leonardo Gabriel Tzaj Guarcax, through the UNBOUND Program. Through this sponsorship, Gabriel and his family have medical care, school supplies, and other necessities. As we enter our third year of sponsorship, please keep Gabriel in your prayers!

**Do you have any shoeboxes at home?** Second and fourth grade prayer partners are in need of shoeboxes for a Nativity project. Please bring your empty shoeboxes to school - they will be very grateful. Thank you!

**YEARBOOK:** Great news!!! TreeRing has given St. Andrew families one FINAL CHANCE to SAVE! Order by November 30th and save 5% off the purchase price of the yearbook. It's easy ... go to [TreeRing.com](http://TreeRing.com) today. Don't forget that you can also customize two FREE pages in your child's yearbook. Please contact Mrs. Tyndall with questions.

**ART CLUB CHRISTMAS SALE:** On Friday, December 15, Art Club will hold our 2nd Annual Christmas Gift Sale. Our Art Club Elves are working hard to create one-of-a-kind items such as ornaments, mini canvas painting, SLIME, and so much more! Come support our Art Club! Plan to come early ... last year we sold out!!!

**Box Tops 4 Education:** Continue to bring in your box tops and place them your favorite team's box (USC, Clemson, CCU). Many came in on Team Day. Be sure to cut them and check for expired dates. Thank you.

**Mark your Calendars for Fiesta Mexicana Spirit Night!** Plan to eat some delicious Mexican food on December 14, 4-8 pm, Dine in or Carry Out, to benefit our school. *Don't forget to mention you are there for St. Andrew Spirit Night.*

#### **Upcoming events:**

- November 29 ~ Altar Server Training in the Church, 3:00-4:00 p.m. with Father Morgan
- December 1 ~ 7<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation Retreat, "Evangelization," in the CLC
- December 2 ~ 8<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation Retreat, "Confirmation," in the CLC
- December 2 ~ Advent wreath making and caroling. Mark your calendar. Stay tuned for details.
- December 4 ~ Confirmation 7:00 p.m.
- December 7 ~ 8<sup>th</sup> grade to Magnolia's Assisted Living to help decorate for Christmas
- December 8 ~ Holy Day of Obligation – Immaculate Conception Mass
- December 9 ~ First Lego League Robotics competition. 8 a.m.- 4 p.m. Ten Oaks Middle School
- December 12 ~ Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day Mass
- December 13 ~ Altar Server Training in the Church 3:00-4:00 p.m.
- December 14 ~ Fiesta Mexicana Dinner Spirit Night
- December 15 ~ Art Club Ornament Sale, Help 4Kids
- December 18 ~ Mass 4<sup>th</sup> grade
- December 19 ~ Christmas Program in the Church, 6:00 p.m.
- December 20 ~ Polar Express and PJ Day, Pay \$2.00 to wear your PJ's and help support your local Girl Scout Troop!

*When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior."~Isaiah 43:2-3*