



Dear Parents,

I know it seems almost impossible, but our staff at John Paul II School is beginning to plan for the upcoming Advent season. I will send home complete details of our all-school Advent activities in an upcoming newsletter, but one of our activities includes our traditional family Christmas trees. Our Advent theme for this year is “The Angel’s Message”. Included in your Parent Packet today is an angel that we are asking your family to decorate in a way that would represent your family. Perhaps you might use a photo, list the names of your family members, or perhaps a special picture that you have drawn and decorated. The oldest child in the school will bring the decorated angel back to his/her class and then will go with their class to hang the decoration on our family trees after praying the “Christmas Tree Blessing”. We are asking that these decorations be back to school by November 25, the day before Thanksgiving break. Thanks so much!

The Social Concerns Committees of both Holy Family and Holy Spirit Parishes are helping put together food baskets for the upcoming Christmas season. These baskets will be distributed by the Salvation Army. Our parishes are being asked to supply a can of yams for the food baskets. If you would like to contribute, please send a can of yams to the office and they will be picked up December 10.

Our Fifth graders will have their DARE graduation on Tuesday, November 17 at 6:30pm in the MPR. Please join us as we celebrate their accomplishment!

Second quarter midterm grades will be going home on Wednesday, November 18. Please check those book bags!

Mark your calendar for **November 19!** If your family sold any Classic Cookie Fundraiser items, they will be delivered to the MPR and need to be picked up between 3:15-5:00pm. Please call the office if you have any questions!

What a special week for our second grade students! They will be receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Friday, November 20, 7:00PM at their respective parishes. What a very special time in their lives! A very special thank you to Mrs. Robin Cahoy, our second grade teacher, and our parents for all their work in preparing our students for this very special time!

Schedule for November 12-20

Friday, November 12

School Mass, 3Y and 5H

Sunday, November 15

SCRIP sold after all Holy Family Masses

Bingo from 12:30-3:00pm in HS Parish Hall

Monday, November 16

Happy Birthday Christine Lemmer!

Tuesday, November 17

Happy Birthday Father Andrew!

Dare Graduation, 6:30pm in MPR

Wednesday, November 18

Carnival Meeting, 7:00pm in Faculty Room

Midterms go home

Thursday, November 19

Saints Program, 4K, Art/Science Room, 11:15am -12:00 Noon

Classic Cookie Fundraiser items delivered, 3:15-5:00pm,

Please pick up your orders today in the MPR!

Friday, November 20

Ed Committee Meeting, 6:30pm in Lounge

Popcorn Day! Please send .25 for a bag of popcorn!

School Mass, 4K and 1O

First Reconciliation for second graders, 7:00 PM in each child’s home parish.

Have a wonderful week!

Michelle Ommen, Principal