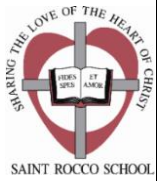


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**St♥ Rocco
School**

Sharing the Love of the Heart of Christ!

**THURSDAY
PACKET**

Weekly Parent Newsletter



Dear Parents,

In a season when every heart should be happy and light, many people are struggling with the heaviness of life. Daily burdens can often steal the joy out of Christmas. This is when we need to say, "Jesus, we need your Joy". In a world where worry, not peace, often prevails, it can be difficult to focus on the good news of your birth. This is when we need to say, "Jesus, we need Your Peace". This Christmas, I pray you find Jesus' Joy and Peace in your hearts in both the ordinary and extraordinary moments of your lives.

Wishing you and your families a blessed Christmas and a peaceful and joyous New Year!

Respectfully,

Regina M. Hand

Advent Prayer

Lord Jesus, Master of both the Light and the darkness, send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas.

We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces to hear Your voice each day.

We who are anxious over many things look forward to Your coming among us.

We who are blessed in so many ways long for the complete joy of your kingdom.

We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of Your presence.

We are your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light.

To you we say, "Come, Lord Jesus, Come!"

The St. Rocco School faculty and staff are overwhelmed by your incredible generosity this Christmas season. We are grateful for all of the well wishes, cards, treats and numerous gifts and class gifts that you shared with us. And we are so thankful for our students and our families "presence" in our lives. We wish each of you a safe and blessed Christmas.



Spreading Christmas Joy around St. Rocco's School

