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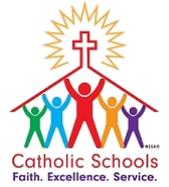


**St♥ Rocco
School**

Sharing the Love of the Heart of Christ!

THURSDAY PACKET

Weekly Parent Notes



Dear Parents,

This Sunday Catholics celebrate the Solemnity of the Christ the King. It is the last Sunday of the liturgical year. This feast is designed to give special recognition to the dominion Christ our Lord has over all aspects of our lives. The new liturgical year begins the following Sunday with the beginning of the season of Advent.



This coming Tuesday we will have our Enthronement Mass at 9:00 am led by our 8th Grade students. This beautiful Mass honoring the Sacred Heart of Jesus exemplifies the very foundation of St. Rocco School. “Sharing the Love of the Heart of Christ” is the first line of our school’s mission statement and one that our students and staff frequently hear during morning announcements. When we celebrate Mass in this way as a school community, it reminds us that each day in a Catholic School truly is a blessing. All are welcome!

Yesterday our Middle School students had an assembly with three seminarians from Our Lady of Providence Seminary. Each of the seminarians spoke to our students about their path and individual discernment and call to study for the priesthood. They spoke of the call to such a vocation and how it has impacted their lives. To have young men visit our school and share the message that we are all called to share Jesus with others no matter what our individual calling is was quite beautiful. They left us with a “Vocations Crucifix”. This special crucifix will travel from class to class to inspire prayer for vocations.

Today our Second and Sixth Grade Faith buddies got together in Café Rocco for a Thanksgiving activity focused on gratitude. It is always impressive to see how patient the older students are with their younger buddies.



This Saturday is our Mother/Son Bowling Event. The registration for this event is amazing and we are all looking forward to a wonderful evening of fun. Thank you to Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Fava for their hard work as co-chairs in planning this event and to the other parents serving on this event committee.

Next Wednesday is an Independent Learning/Professional Development Day for our school. While the faculty and staff are taking a class to be CPR and AED re-certified, students should be completing the days’ assignments at home to be returned on Monday.

Finally, the first trimester is winding down quickly. Students should be busy studying at night for unit assessments, and in the older grades, exams. The trimester officially ends on November 23rd. Report cards will be posted to the portal on December 1st.

As always, I thank you for your continued support. My prayers go out to you and your families as we approach this season of gratitude and giving.

Respectfully,

Regina M. Hand/Principal

Middle School Students with Seminarians for Our Lady of Providence Seminary



6th and 2nd Grade Faith Buddies



Mrs. Rachdouni's Strings Class





NURSE'S CORNER NEWS

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NOT FEELING WELL:

If your child is not feeling well, please keep them home and call or email the **SCHOOL OFFICE FIRST** to report them absent. You may send an email to your child's teacher and to the nurse, but initially, **the phone call/email must be to the School Office.** If you are unsure if you should send your child to school, call the office to speak to the nurse. Students who are absent more than 3 consecutive days due to illness must have a doctor's note before returning to school. Please contact the nurse with any questions.

Please see the attachment from the **CDC: Strategies for a Healthy and Safe Holiday Season.**



Lunch Reminder:

Lunch is \$3.50. Please place the payment in an envelope clearly labeled: LUNCH MONEY, your child's name/HR and lunch choice. **It would greatly help if you enclose the exact amount of cash or a check.** You may also choose to prepay for the week only. Thank you to all of the parents We **cannot** guarantee their lunch choice after 8:45AM. If your child will be late, please call the office to let us know if he/she is purchasing lunch. If you owe lunch for your child, please send it in the next day. Thank you!

Breakfast: Breakfast is served from 7:45-8:00 am. The cost is \$2.00. If your child is receiving breakfast, please have them inform the teacher on duty at Café Rocco as soon as they get in, so that they can receive their breakfast asap.

Monthly Dress Down Passes: Each month throughout the school year, St. Rocco School will be offering special dress down passes for the month. You may purchase the monthly passes for NOVEMBER ~ Mondays only for the cost of \$5.00. Deadline for December Passes is November 21st. Please place the money in a clearly labeled envelope with the required form your child's name, grade, along with your payment. (Checks ONLY)



Food Drive: Please remember last day to bring in items for the Food Drive is November 18th.
Coat Drive: We are still taking coats until November 30th.



Spiritwear: We just received a Spiritwear order. This is a great time to purchase "Property of St. Rocco School" Hoodies, T-shirts, and Crewneck Sweatshirts for Christmas gifts. Please contact the office and we'll get them ready for you for the holidays!

Scripzone: Order deadline is Monday, November 21st.

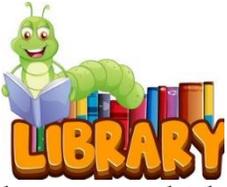
Class of 2023 ~ If you haven't sent back the forms for 8th grade diplomas for graduation, please be sure to complete and return ASAP.



Religious Articles News: *With the Christmas season coming upon us soon, Sister Donna is selling Nativity Sets for your home at very reasonable prices to benefit the Religious Booth.*
If interested, please call 401-330-7963.

Prayer Bags: *Sister Donna is still taking orders for Prayer Bags. They are \$4.00 each and the forms are on our Website under Thursday Packets.*

Classroom News



Library with Mrs. Bennett

Library class is taking place every week for students in grades PreK 3 through Grade 4. The students are so happy to come into our bright, book-filled library to listen to stories or to explore books on their own. Grades 3 and 4 have been checking out their own library books to take home to read. They have a week to read that book and then return that book so they can take out a new one. Grades 1 and 2 will start taking their own books out soon.

I am so thrilled to be sharing my life-long love of reading with the children. Let the “Reading Adventures” take us away!

Mrs. Bennett

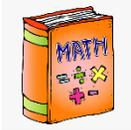
Resource with Mrs. Fuller and Mrs. Bennett

Resource is a busy and exciting part of the St. Rocco school day. It is a place where all students can receive some extra help within the classroom or through individualized lessons. Students are able to receive this support in a variety of subjects for which they are either having difficulty or would benefit from enrichment lessons. Resource affords students the opportunity to have their varied educational needs met.



This month the younger students in Kindergarten and First Grade have been working on letter sounds along with word families. Many students are using the word families to make interesting sentences. Many times students work in small groups to reinforce what has been taught in the classroom.

Third and Fourth Grades routinely work in small groups within the classroom or in a quiet setting. We have worked on Math and Reading as well as focusing on answering comprehension questions. It is always a great experience to work alongside the teacher to reinforce the lesson.



Middle School students are always busy learning new concepts. Resource is a great support for many of our Grade 5-8 students. Each day is an adventure as we read novels, learn grammar and sharpen our math skills. Many times, resources are used to review or used to introduce new concepts. The Middle School students have been working hard on identifying adjectives and other parts of speech. Math is a favorite subject for many students. It is a subject in which we work together in class to help students.

As Resource Teachers, we are very blessed to be able to spend time with all the students. It is our goal to work with the teachers to create the best learning environment and support system for all. As a school we have just finished standardized testing for the students. These tests are tools to help us achieve the best instruction and to help us measure progress.

Resource is a rewarding position, as it allows us to work with all of the students. Working alongside the teachers help our students have the best possible learning experience.

Afterschool Programs Schedule

Mondays:	Friends of Jesus – Basketball Development	2:35pm – 3:15pm 3:30pm – 4:30pm
Tuesdays:	Strings/Violin Lessons Soccer Club	2:35pm – 3:15pm K-4 2:35pm – 3:35pm 5-8 2:35pm – 3:45pm
Wednesdays:	Dance Art Club	2:35pm – 3:30pm 2:35pm – 3:45pm
Thursdays:	Crazy8's Math Club Newspaper Club	3:00pm – 5:00pm 2:35pm – 4:00pm

****November payments for After School Clubs are now due, if you have not already paid in full.**

SAVE THE DATE



December 3rd ~ Catholic High School Placement Test

December 10th ~ Makeup Test

NOVEMBER ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Saturday, November 19 th	Mother/Son Bowling Night – 4:45 pm - 7:00 pm
Tuesday, November 22 nd	Enthronement Mass – 9:00 am
Wednesday, November 23 rd	Independent Learning at home - /PD ½ Day
November 24 th – 27 th	Thanksgiving Break – Happy Thanksgiving
Wednesday, November 30 th	Picture Re-Take Day



BASKETBALL PRACTICE SCHEDULE

Junior Girls Monday 2:30-3:30 Thursday 2:30-4:00	Middle School Boys Wednesday 3:30-5:00 Friday 2:30 – 4:00	Middle School Girls Monday 2:30-3:30 Tuesday 2:30-4:00
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CHRISTMAS CONCERT – DECEMBER 14TH

PREK3, PREK4 & KINDERGARTEN – 9:00 AM / FIRST - EIGHTH GRADE – 6:00 PM



Virtue of the Month-**Thankfulness**

O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good; for His mercy endureth forever.

1 Chronicles 16:34



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-CHRIST is the Reason for this school.

-in our minds, on our lips, and always in our hearts-

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