

St. Joseph School
School Office Newsletter
January 9, 2009
Be the hands, the heart of God.

In Sunday's Gospel the story of the Baptism of the Lord tells us: On coming up out of the water (Jesus) saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon him. Mark 1:10

School will be in session on Monday, January 19. This is our make-up day for December 17.

Activity Day for Yearbook

Tuesday, January 13th, is activity day for our yearbook. The photographer will be here to take photos of our scouts, altar servers, school safety patrols, track team, participants in Circle the State, etc. Students are permitted to wear their scout uniforms on Tuesday.

Market Day/Choice of Dress Day

Thursday, January 15, is our January Market Day sale. Pick-up is between 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. This is also a Choice of Dress Day.

Boxtops Choice of Dress Reminder

Beginning with the return to school in January, one day a month will be designated as Boxtop Choice of Dress Day. For January that date is January 22nd. Thirty boxtops are required to participate in the Choice of Dress Day.

Basketball Games—the week of January 12

Tuesday, January 13—St. Joseph vs. Coulston Red, girls only at
Coulston, 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 15—Hendricks Green vs. St. Joseph at Girls' Inc.
5:00 p.m.

Catholic Schools Week—January 26-30

This week is quickly approaching. Details will be sent home in the next newsletter. This is always a great week for all to enjoy. Special activities are being planned. Volunteers will be needed to help with some of the

activities. Please use the slip at the end of the newsletter to volunteer for the teacher luncheon on Friday, January 30. Mrs. Jane Kuhn will be coordinating the luncheon for the teachers. Food will be needed along with individuals to watch the students during lunch and recess and man the office phones. It would be great to have two parents work together in each classroom. Thanks in advance for your help.

Carey Landry Concert

During Catholic Schools' Week we will be having a special concert on Monday, January 26, at 1:15 p.m. Mr. Landry is the music director at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Indianapolis. He and his wife, Carol Jean, are nationally known musicians in the field of spiritual music. In fact, many of the songs that we use at Mass are from the Young People's Glory and Praise and Mr. & Mrs. Landry are the editors of that publication.

CDs of their recordings will be available for purchase after the concert.

SCUFFY News

Our SCUFFY drive is off to a great start! As I mentioned in an earlier newsletter, St. Joseph School is the PACESETTER school for the 2009 drive. SURVIVOR began this week—every person in school is on a tribe with torches, flags, tribe names, and of course, each tribe has a money can, which is used each Thursday to vote a tribe out of the group. Our theme is St. Joe SURVIVOR-SCUFFY—Out wit, Out give, Out last. SURVIVOR will be occurring until February 20.

Additional news and dates concerning SCUFFY include:

January 13—Special activity to be announced.

January 20—Jean Day, \$1.00 please

January 27—Tape Money on Mrs. Livingston/Jean Day, \$1.00 for Jean Day which can be taped to Mrs. Livingston

February 3—Stuffed Animal Day, \$1.00 please

February 5—Jean Day, \$1.00 please

February 10—Special Activity to be announced

February 17—Backwards Day, \$1.00 please

Recycling News

We received our first check for our paper recycling efforts--\$23.66! All we had to do was put our recyclables in the green and yellow bin! Thanks

to everyone who is recycling! Our efforts have saved 6.80 cubic yards in landfill space!

Brain Game Participants

Next week students in grades 3, 4, and 5 will have the opportunity to participate in the preliminary rounds for our annual Brain Game competition during Catholic Schools' Week. Good luck to all our participants!

Book Fair

Our Book Fair will be during the week of Catholic Schools' Week. It will be set up in the gym. Students will have the opportunity to shop during the school day, and the fair will be opened until 3:30 p.m. each day during the week. If you have a younger child, please send their money in an envelope with your child's name on it and the amount enclosed.

There is a flyer included with the newsletter this week, but there are many, many other books to select.

At the end of the newsletter, there is a volunteer slip for the beginning of each school day that the Book Fair will be opened. Busy times will be 7:15-8:30 a.m. Please complete the form at the end of the newsletter if you are able to help. Thanks!!

VIRTUS Training

The training is scheduled for Sunday, January 25, from 1-4 p.m., at the St. Vincent's Hall. The training is very important for you to attend especially if you are a fifth grade parent planning to attend the overnight trip to Spring Mill State Park in the spring. It is required by the Archdiocese. Please call the school office (398-4202) or the religious education office (398-0530) to RSVP.

Yearbook Orders

The Yearbook Committee is busy planning our 2008-2009 yearbook. Order forms will be sent home soon. The cost for a yearbook will be \$16. Everyone is included in the yearbook—preschool through grade five. It is a great way for your child to remember this school year in pictures.

"Be the hands, the heart of God"

Congratulations to the following individuals who were caught using their hands and/or hearts for doing good: Trevor File, Abby Amos, Emily

Foltz, Adeline Haacker, Dakota Sosbe, Nolen Kincade, Jack Baker, and Brendan Brown,

Two hundred seventeen slips were given during the second grading period. This is eleven more than the first grading period. St. Joseph School has great students and teachers!

Lunch in with the Principal—February 3 and 4

Lunch in with the principal will be on February 3 and 4. On February 3, the entire third grade class and Mrs. Wickizer will be enjoying pizza, breadsticks, and drinks. They received a slip for having a silent prayer for the people serving in the military now and in the past.

On February 4, Mrs. Moore, Mason Lasure, Kayleigh Kieninger, Cole Lux, Audrey Reinhart, Trevor File, and Jaeden Carter will have pizza, breadsticks, and drinks. These individuals received a slip for all sorts of things—original choreography for the turkey dance to being a great listener.

Thanks

Thanks to Julia Prickett for donating items to our religion classes.

Menus for the week of January 12 and January 19

Monday, 1/12—Country Fried Steak Sandwich

Tuesday, 1/13—Pork Chop Sandwich

Wednesday, 1/14—Pizza Pocket

Thursday, 1/15—Turkey & Cheese Sandwich

Friday, 1/16—Rib B Q

Monday, 1/19—Chicken Teriyaki

Tuesday, 1/20—Chicken Nuggets

Wednesday, 1/21—Cheeseburger

Thursday, 1/22—Turkey Manhattan

Friday, 1/23—Myers BBQ

Catholic Schools' Week—Teacher Luncheon—January 30

I would like to help in the classrooms during the teacher luncheon.
Parents will be needed between 11:15-12:45.

Parent Signature

Mrs. Jane Kuhn will be coordinating the luncheon for the teachers.
She is planning on soup, salads, breads, and desserts.

I will be able to provide assistance with the food.

Parent Signature

Book Fair

I will be able to help at the Book Fair on the following mornings.

Monday, January 26, 7:15-8:30 a.m._____

Tuesday, January 27, 7:15-8:30 a.m._____

Wednesday, January 28, 7:15-8:30 a.m._____

Thursday, January 29, 7:15-8:30 a.m._____

Friday, January 30, 7:15-8:30 a.m._____

Parent Signature