SPORTS NEWS

Basketball Game 12/7 Swords vs SPS In El Campo Games begin at 5:30 p.m.

Advent:
Follow this link
https://vimeo.com/192809057 to
watch Bishop Brendan's first
Advent message of the
season. Videos will be
available each Monday on
the Diocese of Victoria
website and Facebook page.

Learn more about our
Catholic faith through the
Pastoral Institute
Register now for
Spring 2017
Tuesdays, January 10
through February 14, 2017
Mornings 9:15 - 11:30
Or

Evenings 7:00 – 9:15 Classes available in Victoria or nearest on-line class is in Hallettsville or Mentz Call 361-573-0828x2223

Trust in the Lord forever! For the Lord is an eternal Rock. Isaiah 26:4

> 2nd Sunday of Advent December 4, 2016

MICHAEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER December 1 - 7, 2016

Mission: To be friendly, respectful, responsible, and Christ-like

Find more information at our website: www.stmichaelswords.org

- No PSIA practices before/after school in December. Practices resume in January.
- HSA News:
 - Pick up Little Caesars pizza orders on Tuesday, December 6 between 2:30 and 5:30 in the Family Center. If you can pick up before 5:30, please do.

 Catholic Life Sweepstakes Tickets: Thank you to those who have been busy selling tickets. The Desselle family brought in \$1,145 over the Thanksgiving weekend sitting outside of M-G! Thank you, Mona, Basil, and Lucas! Please consider spending some time selling at this location or McCoy's and don't forget to ask the store manager for permission to sell. Remember for every 5 books of tickets sold, the student's name is entered into a local drawing. The next drawing will be held after Mass on December 16. All tickets must be sold and returned by January 4 this year. Our current total is \$2,940.00.
- Book Fair: Thank you to everyone who supported our annual book fair. And special thanks to all those who donated books to our service project, The Children's Cancer Hospital at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston. We donated 102 books!
- Mass Schedule: Immaculate Conception Mass (Holy Day of Obligation)
 Thursday, December 8 at 8:00 a.m. Students will attend this Mass in addition to the regularly scheduled Friday Children's Mass on the 9th.
- Save the Date: Band Concert 12/12 at 6:00 p.m. and Christmas Pageant 12/15 at 7:00 p.m.

All SMCS students are spending time during Advent learning about Jesus through the *Jesse tree*. The Jesse Tree is a representation of Christ's family tree. Learning about one's heritage is pretty popular right now with several on-line businesses offering this service and some even using your blood sample to test DNA to prove your heritage. We rely on Holy Scripture to find out about all those who came before Christ through the line of Jesse. All families are invited to join us as we journey through scripture and meet the people along the path before Jesus. Please see the backside of this newsletter to find the bible readings for each day through Advent. Our last reading will be shared when we return from the Christmas break and have the opportunity to celebrate the birth of Christ with our school family.

"Every child has a different learning style and pace. Each child is unique, not only capable of learning but also capable of succeeding." Robert John Meehan

The vision of St. Michael Catholic School is to guide the mind, body, and spirit of the next generation of catholic leaders to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet their full potential as people created in the image of God.