



ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

December 13 – January 2, 2018

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

SPORTS NEWS

Basketball

Vs

OLV at home 5:00 PM
Thursday, January 3

January 5 Boys' "A" BB
Tournament at SPS
in El Campo

SCRIPTURE SAYS...

Jesus said to the crowds:
"Come to me, all you who labor
and are burdened, and I will
give you rest. Take my yoke
upon you and learn from me,
for I am meek and humble of
heart; and you will find rest for
yourselves. For my yoke is
easy, and my burden light."

Matthew 11:28-30

*Life is so much easier when
you trust in Jesus.*

Sunday, December 16 is the 3rd
week in Advent, Gaudete
Sunday. Gaudete is Latin for
Rejoice! Everyone is encouraged
to wear something pink or rose-
colored to Mass this weekend to
express their joy at the coming
of the Christmas season.



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- **Downhome Christmas for Children** tonight starting with a parade downtown at 5:30 followed by activities for children under the Hill Bank parking lot pavilion. Look for our SMCS cheerleaders and student council members. We will offer a cookie walk (like the cake walk) for children to play.
- **Band Concert:** Our annual Christmas band concert will be held Monday, December 17 at 6 PM in the gym. Please invite family and friends to attend.
- **Confession Schedule:** Students in grades 3 – 8 will receive the Sacrament of Penance on Monday, December 17. The Advent Confession schedule for parents and older siblings is listed on the backside of this newsletter along with the Christmas Mass schedule.
- **Christmas Pageant:** Our annual Christmas pageant will be held Wednesday, December 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the gym. Please invite family and friends to attend. There will be a cookie and punch social in the Family Center after the pageant. Students will need to be in their homeroom classrooms by 6:15 p.m. Those using school costumes will dress at school. All students who will be on stage or under the theatre lights should wear some makeup so as not to be "washed out" by the bright lights. Generally a little blush, eyeliner or mascara, and lipstick will do the trick. If you aren't sure how much to apply, send it and the teachers or older students will assist.
- **Teacher Wish List:** Call the school office if you need another copy of the teacher wish list. This was printed on last week's newsletter and in the church bulletin this past weekend.
- **Congratulations grade 5!** You have earned a free dress day for bringing in the most box tops for November. Ms. Schaefer will help you choose your day for free dress.
- **Uniforms next week:** Students may wear spirit shirts on Wednesday and free dress/Christmas shirts on Thursday.
- **ASP:** Please recall that the After School Program price for the month of December is prorated, \$40 for a full-time student and \$20 for a part-time student. If you sent in the full payment, we will credit your account toward your January fee. **No ASP on Thursday, December 20 due to noon dismissal.**
- **Early Dismissal for The Christmas Holidays 12/20 at noon:** Please make arrangements to have your child picked up on time. There is no After School Programs. **School resumes Thursday, January 3, 2019.**
- **Because you asked:** Coming soon – profit and loss reports for fall fundraisers. *Submit your questions to cmcafee@stmichaelswords.org*
- **HSA News**
- Limited supply of **Jingle Fest T-shirts** available for \$15. Please email Cara Janecka if you would like to purchase one of these shirts. caralee763@gmail.com
- **Catholic Life Tickets:** See the letter from Mrs. McAfee for an important message regarding this fundraiser.
- Mark your calendars now for our **drive-thru-meal on Sunday, January 27**. All families are asked to work this event as part of our service to the school and community during Catholic Schools Week – no working points earned for this event. Signup will go out on January 10. Meal tickets will go home 1/3/19.

Have a blessed and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!