

December 7, 2018

From the Headmaster



Lots of good things are happening this week at Lumen Christi.

On Monday the students became Advent Angels, drawing names of other students and teachers to pray for during Advent.

On Tuesday and Thursday, students visited with residents of St. Paul Hermitage in Beech Grove. The 7th and 8th graders played bingo, and students in 1st through 4th grade attended Mass and sang for the residents. Our 5th and 6th graders will visit next week.

On Tuesday, while students had their Pizza Day lunch, teachers threw a bridal shower for Sarah Rinaldi, who will be married to James Foulkes next Saturday, Dec. 15. We're excited for Miss Rinaldi – soon to be Mrs. Foulkes – and we wish her the very best.

Thanks to the many parents who helped out this week driving on field trips, supervising student activities, and providing the delicious lunch for the faculty shower. All of us on the faculty really appreciate your support.

One Week Left for Advent Collections

Our Advent collections for Holy Family Shelter and the David S. Moore Food Pantry **end next Friday, Dec. 14**. A flyer in last week's Friday folder listed suggested items by grade level. Please feel free to donate any items listed and drop them off in the boxes near the main school office and in the high school reception area.

Visit from Fr. David Marcotte

On Tuesday, we had a visit from Fr. David Marcotte, who spoke to our high school students and stopped by several classes in the grade school. Fr. Marcotte is Chaplain at Roncalli High School and in residence at Sts. Francis and Clare, and he occasionally helps out with Masses at Holy Rosary. If you know Fr. Marcotte, please thank him for his support for Lumen Christi.

Boys Basketball Off and Running

Our 5th and 6th grade boys CYO basketball team kicked off the season last Saturday with a win against St. Roch. The next game is at 10 am tomorrow, Dec. 2, at Nativity.

Lost and Found

If you're missing some cold-weather gear, please stop by and look at the coats and sweatshirts in our lost-and-found area of the main hallway.

St. John Choir Festival Next Friday!

Next Friday, Dec. 14, our students in grades 2-7 will sing in the Choir Festival at St. John the Evangelist. Last year's event was great, and our choir was excellent.

If you have children in grades 2-7, please see the flyer in today's Friday folder. We're counting on all 2nd through 7th grade students 2-7 to sing, unless parents have already notified us that they cannot.

Students must be at St. John's by 4:40 for our scheduled rehearsal time in the church. You can drop off your children at the front door of St. John's on Capitol Ave. across from the Convention Center. I will be out front of the church by 4:30 to meet cars. Or you can arrange for your children to stay at Lumen Christi. and we'll transport them to St. John's. Just notify Mrs. Mascari. We'll need all parents to pick up their children after the choir festival. See the flyer for more details.

I encourage all Lumen Christi families to attend the choir festival if you can – you'll enjoy it! It begins at 6 pm and lasts about an hour. And consider supporting St. John's by visiting their Christkindl Village afterwards.

Confessions for Students

We want to instill in our students the importance of frequent confession and a good examination of conscience. As Mrs. Dowell communicated to parents by email this week, we'll have confessions for students in grades 6-8 after Mass on Monday (Dec. 10). Mrs. Dowell asked parents to let her know if their children in those grades will not go to confession on Monday; we'll expect all other students to receive the sacrament. And students in grades 3-5 who did not go to confession during the scheduled time on Dec. 3 are welcome to do so on Monday; just let Mrs. Dowell know. Of course, confession is also available every day before 7:30 Mass.

From the Development Director:

2 for 1 Match on Donations from Parents!!

An anonymous donor is offering to give a 2-for-1 match of up to \$3,200 on all **new or increased annual appeal donations from parents** between now and Dec. 31. That means the amount of your gift is tripled! \$25 becomes \$75, \$50 becomes \$150, \$100 becomes \$300 and so on. If you are able to contribute to Lumen Christi this year, you can help us earn an additional \$3,200. We thank God for all the parents who contribute to our school with their time, talent and treasure!
God Bless, Ellen

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