

December 1, 2025

Good evening families!

I pray that your Thanksgiving was blessed and gave you everything you hoped for! We are jumping right back into the swing of learning, in spite of the “busy” of this season. I am eagerly waiting to see the beautiful Bottle Buddy Saints arrive on Wednesday! Please note that ALL pieces of the work completed need to be turned in- bottle buddy, the trading card, and the 2 sided ALL ABOUT Saint _____ information sheet. Students will have the opportunity to share their bottle buddy with the class, using their trading card for support. A couple of the Saints arrived early.... They really look fabulous! I hope that you had fun working together to create these heroes of our Church.



The three weeks between now and Christmas Break will be jam packed with learning, activities, and fun experiences. Please support our short time before break by joining us rested and on time. We have A LOT to accomplish before we go on vacation!

We are jumping ahead to focus on geometry and fractions in math to prepare ourselves for a fun return from Christmas break with a unit of study on snowflakes. The snowflake investigation was a smashing hit last year and I cannot wait to share it again this year! In Religion, we will be juggling sacrament work, Advent activities, and the joyful anticipation of the birth of Jesus. Please be sure to check out the Advent resources on Hallow for yourself and/or the family. There is a variety to choose from, including music! As soon as our class Advent wreath gets wrapped up, I will share pictures of our finished project! We will use our imagination and writing skills to develop a North Pole adventure story and continue our work with reading as we count down our December days.



Sacrament registration will be sent home tomorrow. Please complete the registration form and return by Friday. I have copies of your baptismal certificates from our school records. I will contact you if I am missing yours! Thank you in advance for supporting a quick task turnaround.... I have to complete parish documentation once I get all forms back.



Here is a quick rundown of the week:

- Student Council Snack Sale in the Courtyard- starting tomorrow until they run out! See flyer attached. Items are \$1 or less....
Pretzels, fruit snacks, Cheez-its, Gatorade
- Wednesday night 7 pm Mass celebrating the start of the Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena.
- Thursday PM - See school website for more information!
 - Double Dine Out-
 - - Pizza My Heart and Yogurtland (Walnut Creek)
 - 6-8 pm Christmas Parade- Broadway Plaza
- Friday
 - St Nicholas Prayer Service 1:15-2:15 pm.
 - Butter Braid orders are due.
 - Concord Christmas Tree Lighting- Todos Santos Park 5-8 pm.
- Sunday- 10 am Sunday Mass hosted by 5th and 1st grades!
- Monday 12/8- 10 am School Mass celebrating the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. 7th grade hosts this important Advent liturgy.

Expect to see an update later this week that will include more details on the Christmas program, our Christmas ornament exchange activity, and classroom celebration once all information I need is in place.





Thank you for all you do in support of our growth as students, children of God, and kind humans. Attached below is information for the Santa Workshop coming up on December 11 and a service opportunity offered by 1st and 4th grade for the holidays- PERFECT opportunity to live this month's virtue of **GENEROSITY**.

Take a breath.... Find peace in building your Advent habits, joyfully anticipating the coming of Baby Jesus!

**With love and Advent blessings,
Mrs. Julie Clement
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 **Holiday Shop 2025.pdf**

 **1st and 4th Grade Service Project.pdf**