Bulletin #14-16

November 24, 2016

FRIDAY 8:00 A.M. MASS-Sponsored by the Girls Volleyball Teams:

Entrance-Sophie

Reading-Norah

Responsorial Psalm- Fiorella

Gospel Acclamation- Maurene

Communion Antiphon- Lizzy

Gr. 7 Altar Servers: Alexis, Veronica, Monika

All volleyball girls are to attend mass

Lecturers and altar servers are to be at the sacristy by 7:50 a.m.

PHOTO RETAKES:

Photo orders are due to school by <u>Friday</u>, <u>November 25th</u>. Students who miss this deadline can mail there orders directly to Life Touch Studios.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT REHEARSAL FOR CAST MEMBERS:

Friday, November 25th 7:45 a.m. – 8:35 a.m.

Tuesday, November 29th 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 1st 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

REPORT CARDS:

First term student progress reports will be distributed on **Monday**, **November 28**th. Please read, sign the report cover and return it in the envelope provided on **Friday**, **December 2**nd for discussion during parent-teacher interviews.

THEME DAY-FUTURE DAY:

Tuesday, November 29th will be our *Future Day*. The students from Primary (K-3) will be dressing as their chosen future career, and the students from Intermediate (4-7) will be dressing in *future fashion*. The intermediates will be in a competition for most creative outfit.

A \$2 donation for charity should be brought in by student.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES:

Parent-Teacher conferences are **Friday, December 2**nd. Conference times, which are 15 minutes in duration, will be sent home with the report cards at the beginning of the week. Conferences for Primary students (Kindergarten - Grade 3) are Parent/Teacher only. Intermediate students (Grades 4-7) should attend the conferences with their parents and should wear their full school uniform. Please bring your child's report card, signed cover and envelope to the conference. **Please note that this is not a regular school day for students. Intermediate students are only to come to their scheduled conference time.**

THE BLANKET DRIVE WAS A COMPLETE AND AMAZING SUCCESS!

We want to THANK very deeply all the parents, students and staff at St. Pius X School for the biggest contribution ever to our annual blanket drive! We are amazed and very grateful for everyone's help in collecting and bringing all kinds of useful items for the needy. So, big, BIG thanks to all who helped out and may God bless you always for your generosity and kindness! "Angelica Wenzel"

CHRISTMAS CONCERT PROPS NEEDED:

We are looking for green outdoor **grass-like carpet** and for a **curly white wig** we could borrow for our production of "All About That Baby", please contact the school office.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHALLENGE:

Participants have now been assigned their first set of practice questions. They must keep reviewing them in preparation for our next meeting.

PRIMARY SPEECH ARTS:

Speech Arts provides a wonderful opportunity for student's to develop their public speaking and performance skills. This year's Primary Speech Arts Festival will be held from **Monday**, **January 23rd - Friday**, **January 27th**, **2017**. Poetry ideas are available in the library. The deadline for poetry selection will be **Monday**, **December 5th**. Please be reminded this is a *FIRM*

deadline. Grade 3 students should be looking for CANADIAN poems and they could also consider preparing a speech.

"ALL ABOUT THAT BABY" - SEATING:

Our Christmas production, "All About That Baby", will be held on Thursday, December 8th. Seating for both the afternoon matinee (1:00 p.m.) and evening performance (7:00 p.m.) will be festival seating. All grandparents, seniors, and parishioners are welcome to attend our Christmas Concert Matinee on Thursday, December 8th. This will be followed by an afternoon Christmas Tea.

Gym doors for the evening performance will open at 6:30 p.m. Students are to report to the school classrooms dressed in costume by 6:30 p.m. in order to be prepared to perform. Donations towards offsetting the costs of the production will be gratefully appreciated. We are sure you will enjoy the production!

GRADE 1 PARENTS:

A Christmas card sale will be held for the Grade One parents on **Tuesday, December 13th** from 2:40 - 3:00 p.m. in the Grade One classroom. You can purchase your child's handmade cards and the monies collected will be donated to Holy Childhood Association.

PARENT STANDING COMMITTEE:

Poinsettia Fundraiser

Plants will be available for pick up at the school on December 2nd.

"A huge thank you goes out to our Christmas Craft Fair Committee for the amazing job they did in making the event a huge success. Thank you to Leigh Oikawa, Michelle Kenny, Tracy Gallagher, Tracy Gooding, Jennifer Dales, Taline Giragosian, Ann Stewart, Paola Puelle, Andrea Giustino, Roz Phipps, Maria Ogilvie, Paul Hazra as our emcee, and Theresa St. Arnaud. We also wish to thank the wonderful ladies from the CWL for putting on a delicious concession as well as the numerous volunteer students from STA who made sure our crafters were well taken care of and our raffle tickets were sold throughout the day! All of your hard work and commitment to our school is appreciated!" Patrice Kirkham, Craft Fair Coordinator 2016

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR:

Our Scholastic Book Fair will wrap up on Friday at 3:40p.m. Thank you to the many parent volunteers who worked throughout the week and for all who supported the fair to make it such a huge success. Thank you also to Miss Bota for coordinating our fair. Profits from the book fair will go directly to purchasing new books and resources for our school and classroom libraries.

HOLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION:

Once again this year, the students of St. Pius X School will be supporting the Holy Childhood Association by raising donations for St. Joseph's Catholic School at the Chiriaco Mission, located in Peru. This year, students from Kindergarten through Grade Seven will participate. HCA is a worldwide club that connects elementary school children in Canada with children and youth in developing countries. The motto is, "Children Helping Children". Students in K to Grade Seven will receive a collection box for their offerings on Tuesday, November 22nd. Children are encouraged to make their own small monetary contributions and sacrifices. Boxes are to be returned to school by January 9th.

ART CLUB:

The Grade 7 Art Club will meet on Tuesday, November 29th from 3:00 to 4:15 pm and again on Thursday during lunch recess.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS:

St. Pius X School will close for Christmas holidays on **Friday**, **December 16**th, **at NOON**. School will re-open on **Tuesday**, **January 3**rd, **2017 at 8:50 a.m**.

THE VARIETY SHOW (GRADES 3-7)

Students in grades 3-7 are invited to audition for the school variety show. Auditions will be held on **Tuesday**, **January 31**st at lunch and Wednesday, February 1st at 7:45 a.m. The variety show itself will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, February 24th. More information to follow.

SAVE THE DATE:

On Friday, February 17th, 2017 we will be having our Pub Night social. Details to come.

HOT LUNCH:

<u>Friday November 25th</u>- Chicken Burgers & Frozen yogurt - Volunteers: Maritza, Neema & Krista

Thursday, December 1st- Subway & Smoothies- Volunteers: Linda

Friday, December 9th – Hotdogs & Frozen yogurt-Volunteers: Leigh, Susan, Regina

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE: NOV. 28th- DEC. 1st:

Monday, Nov. 28th Gr. 5/6 girls 7:45 a.m.-8:30 a.m.

Gr. 7 boys 12:00 – 12:30 p.m.

*Gr. 5-7 girls @ Holy Cross for Exhibition Game

Tues. Nov. 29th Gr. 6/7 girls 12:00 – 12:30 p.m.

Wed., Nov. 30th Gr. 7 boys 7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Gr. 7 girls 12:00 – 12:30 p.m.

*Gr. 7 boys VS OLA @ SPX 3:00 p.m. Exhibition Game

<u>Thurs. Dec. 1st</u> Gr. 5 boys 12:00 – 12:30 p.m.

YARD DUTY: NOV. 28th- DEC. 1st:

Monday-Nora Jiminez

Tuesday-Colleen Schnurr

Wednesday-Tanya Valk

Thursday-Susan Frank

Friday-School Closed-Parent Teacher Interviews

CROSSING GUARD: NOV. 28th- DEC. 1st:

Monday a.m. - Kathy Cole

Monday p.m. – Aga Marzec

Tuesday a.m. - Hélène McLewin

Tuesday p.m.-Gina Wall

Wednesday a.m.-Ileana Torres

Wednesday p.m.-Carmen Grigoruta

Thursday a.m.-Sophia Kim

Thursday p.m. – Shawn Flaherty

Friday- No School-Parent/Teacher Interview

SPX PARISH ANNOUNCEMENT: Christmas Hamper Project

In the spirit and tradition of giving we are collecting new toys, books, games, kitchen and bathroom towels, children/adult pyjamas, gift certificates for Safeway, Tim Hortons, Superstore, movie passes or any place a single mother or father and children would need and love to have. Starting next weekend there will be a big labelled box in the vestibule for your gifts. We and our children and grandchildren have so much and there are many who have so little. Please be generous. (No used toys, clothing and no expired items)

STA ANNOUNCEMENT:

The STA Girls Basketball Academy put on a Grades 6 and 7 pre-season basketball tournament last week. The 8 teams came from our Catholic feeder schools.

The students from STA were treated to an inspirational message from Fr. Tony Ricard from New Orleans last Friday. Fr. Tony travels all over North America spreading the Good News of the Gospel.