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Parent Newsletter #16

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Welcome to the final newsletter of 2021! We celebrated our second week of the Advent season last week and the students and staff received a candy cane treat from their Advent friends as we move one week closer to knowing our Advent friend's identity. Our fourth grade class helped us light the third candle on the Advent wreath this morning and reminded us of the purpose of Advent and what the candles and wreath stand for. We encourage all of you to continue to pray with your child(ren) at home and share in the spirit of Advent. We will be revealing our Advent friends on Friday so we ask that you bring your child(ren)'s gift for their Advent friend to school prior to Friday. This is also Christmas program week and we are so excited to be able to offer this in-person again. Your child(ren) have been working hard these past few weeks to put on a show that we hope will be lighthearted and reflect the spirit of the Christmas season. The performance dates this week are the PK-2 program on Wednesday at 7:00 PM and 3-6 on Thursday at 7:00 PM. We are asking that all students report to their classrooms by 6:30 PM on their performance night. We will also be having a whole school dress rehearsal on Wednesday starting around 12:30. All performances (excluding dress rehearsal) will be live-streamed via the school Facebook page. If you have any questions about the Christmas programs, please do not hesitate to ask. As always, we want to take this opportunity to thank all of our parents, parishioners, community members, and other stakeholders for everything you have done and continue to do for our school. Without your support and trust in our mission, we wouldn't be able to teach the way Jesus did and help instill that mindset in our students. We hope that you all have a great and joyous Christmas and New Year season and may God continue to shine His blessings on our school family and community. We will see everyone back on January 3!

In Case You Missed It...

- We are still in need of volunteers for lunch and recess. It can be moms, dads, sisters, uncles, grandmas, we accept them all. Any way you can help out goes a long way and the kids love seeing our volunteers. We are extremely grateful for all of the help we get. Please contact the school office if you are interested in helping during lunch and/or recess.
- The December church bulletin board was decorated by our 4th grade class. Be sure to check it out!
- Thanks to all who donated any unwanted used coats for the Coats for Christmas drive. We had quite the selection on Saturday!
- St. Peter School is excited to announce that we have a new counselor to help our students and staff cope with any stress or anxieties they may be experiencing. Our new counselor is Miss Kaitlyn Bilsing and she is contracted through the Wyandot County Counseling Association. She will be starting semi-regular office hours at St. Pete's after Christmas break and will be available Wednesday afternoons from 12:00-2:00 for individual counseling and whole class discussions. We are excited to offer this resource for our students, staff, and families so if you would like to

schedule an individual appointment, please contact Mr. England directly and we can get you connected. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to let us know.

- Mark your calendars. Our annual St. Peter School Auction event will take place on Saturday, March 19th in the St. Peter School gymnasium. This is our school's largest fundraising event so please help spread the word.
- Reminder that monthly tuition payments are due by December 17th. Semester payments are due January 30th.

Just Thought You Should Know...

- The 6th grade will be leading our liturgy service this Wednesday at 8:15. There are no longer any seating restrictions for these services so parents are welcome and encouraged to attend. These services will also be live streamed on our school Facebook page for those who are unable to attend.
- The 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th grade students will be participating in penance services this week at school.
- We will be conducting a full-scale lockdown and evacuation drill this **Thursday, December 16th**. As required by the Ohio Department of Education, every three years, we must conduct a full-scale evacuation which includes a secondary site evacuation and parent reunification in order to test our school's emergency preparedness. The details of this drill will be shared with everyone prior to it being conducted and if you have any questions, please let us know.
- The application window for the Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund is now open for any family wishing to apply for tuition assistance. We strongly encourage any family who is interested in tuition assistance, to please apply. Please contact the school office for more information.
- Our next For the Love of Pete drawing will take place on January 3rd. There are still tickets available to get entered into next month's drawing. Please contact the school if you would like to purchase a ticket. Ticket price is \$100. Thanks so much to all who have participated so far.
- Happy Birthday this week to: Nola P. (K), Caleb A. (4), Luke H. (4), Noah O. (3), Cohen E. (4), and Evelyn W. (K)
- Our 5th/6th grade boys basketball team fell to Carey OLC on Saturday. The boys will have their first home game this Saturday at 10:00 AM against Shelby MPHM.
- Please check the school website at www.stpeterupper.com for latest updates, schedules, or changes.

Quote of the Week: "No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted." ~ Aesop