



MARTINEZ

November 29, 2017

St. Catherine's Viking Newsletter

Dear St. Catherine families,

As we come to the end of the Thanksgiving we are grateful for so many blessings in our own lives and the life of St. Catherine's. On the Friday before Thanksgiving the school honored me with cards, flowers and a delicious feast from the teachers for Principal Appreciation Day. I was so touched by their thoughtfulness as it is a reflection of the loving life they enjoy. Thank you

This Sunday begins the season of Advent, a time of waiting. In our materialistic world, it is hard to keep the students focused on waiting and giving, not wanting. There are wonderful resources on the internet but a great way to prepare is attending Sunday Mass and lighting an Advent wreath and your children's favorite, the Advent Calendar!

On Wednesday, report cards and honors are sent home. This year Grades K-5 will have a Standards Based Report card. The K-5 SBS is attached for your information.

This Thursday will be Mr. Wick's last day at St. Catherine's, we wish him well and much luck in his studies.

Working together in the spirit of Jesus,

Mrs. Mary Pult.

PARISH EVENTS:

- **YLI Holiday Lane Christmas Bazaar** – Start your Christmas Shopping Early! Saturday, December 2nd and Sunday, December 3rd after all Masses. Please see attached flyer.
- **Knights of Columbus Crab Feed** – Saturday, December 9th in the Parish Hall. Please see flyer attached.
- **Respect Life** – Save The Date January 27, 2018 – More Information for follow.

SCHOOL EVENTS:

12/19 Christmas Program "WOW" & Hospitality, 6pm

SCHOOL NOTES:

Volunteer Hour Clarification –

Fr. Anthony has advised that we must adhere to the "Tuition and Financial Agreement 2017-2018" regard service hours. Please see below for clarification:

1. Each school family is required to participate a minimum of 25 hours in school programs (15 hours for single parents). **At least five of the required hours must be dedicated to the auction.** Families not completing their required hours by May 1, 2018 (April 15th for Eighth Grade students) will be assessed a fee of \$30 for every unfilled hour.

1st Trimester Volunteer Hours/Fundraising

Breakdowns – A breakdown of volunteer hours, scrip and fundraising will be send home with your oldest child on Wednesday, November 29, 2017. Hour were recorded through 11/15/17.

Student Morning Drop-Off – Parents, when dropping off your student in the morning, please DO NOT park your car on Mellus Street or Henrietta Street to walk your children into the school yard. As you know the streets surrounding St. Catherine of Siena School are very narrow and we have had a few fender benders this year already. Please use Estudillo or Castro to park your car. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Save The Date!!!:

Please Save The Date for St. Catherine of Siena School and Parish 23rd Annual Auction. This Year's Event Will Be Saturday, February 3rd 2018. Our Theme Is Denim and Diamonds. Stay tuned for exciting info on the raffles, items to be auctioned and much more!



Auction News!! - Raffle tickets are now on sale! Please pick up your Family Raffle Tickets to sell or purchase in the office. Auction Volunteer opportunities are available on Sing-Up Genius. There will be an Auction Information Night on 12/6 - Everyone is welcome. Jobs and job description will be available to sign up for. Don't forget, each family is required to perform at least 5 hours toward the auction.

City of Martinez Holiday Frolic & Light Parade

– Downtown Martinez, Friday, December 1, 2017 from 3pm-9pm

Santa Claus –

Main Street Plaza, Friday, December 1, 2017 to Saturday, December 23, 2017 Days and times vary. Check website for details www.mainstreetmartinez.org/events/

Bancroft Uniforms - 20% Christmas Sale. See Flyer attached.

Jr. High Christmas Concert - Come One Come All Ye Faithful to the 1st Annual Jr. High Christmas Concert “Not So Silent Night” in our parish hall on Friday, December 15th from 6pm-7:30pm – admission is \$5 per person (This is a fundraiser for our Spring Musical) snacks will also be available to purchase.

Jr. High Elective – Needed for Jr. High Electives: 13”-15” size knitting needles.

CALDENDAR REMINDERS:

- 11/29 See Candy Fundraiser Ends all orders Due TODAY
- 11/29 Report Cards Sent Home
Awards Sent Home
Volunteer/Scrip/Fundraising Breakdowns
- 11/30 November Birthday Free Dress
- 12/2 & 12/3 – Holiday Lane Christmas Bazaar after all masses
- 12/8 Immaculate Conception Mass 9am
- 12/9 Knights of Columbus Crab Feed
- 12/11 Run 4 Fun Winners Free Dress (1 day)
- 12/11-12/15 Run 4 Fun Winners Free Dress (1 Week)
- 12/12 Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Service and reconciliation 9am

Board Meeting & Social 6:30-8:30pm
- 12/15 School Wide Noon Dismissal
Day Care will be available
Teacher In-Service

12/15 Jr. High Christmas Concert – Parish Hall
6pm-7:30pm

12/18 December Birthday Free Dress

12/19 Christmas Program & Hospitality 6pm

12/10 School wide noon dismissal
NO PM day care provided

12/21/17-1/3/18 SCHOOL CLOSED
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY BREAK



If you have any questions or concerns, please do not
hesitate to contact our office at (925) 228-4140.