



ST. PETER SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

The entire St. Peter Community expresses our sympathy to Mrs. Oliveira and her family on the loss of her father. I am sure that Mr. O'Neill is looking down on his family, hoping they can enjoy the Christmas season knowing that he is in peace with the Lord.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JESUS: Last week, **both Preschool classes** celebrated the reason for the season with a **"birthday party" for Baby Jesus**. Each child was asked to bring in a **present for an infant or toddler size child**. All donations made in the name of Jesus were delivered that afternoon to the Diocese of Providence Gabriel Project. **Thank you** to all who so generously donated to this Community Service Project to make it a tremendous success. **All presents were very greatly received and accepted with heartfelt gratitude.**

CANDY CANE GRAMS: In December the Outreach Committee is very busy each week selling **Candy Cane Grams**. The children are much **like Santa's elves** because they come early to school to fill the orders and every Friday they deliver all the grams much to the delight of the entire school family. **Many hours are devoted to this service project and the rewards are great.** Approximately 350 grams were sold this year and the **proceeds will be given to the Howlett family in memory of their daughter, Angelica.**

CHRISTMAS CAROLING: On Monday, December 19th, **grades 2-5 and many parent chaperones** went **Christmas caroling** around the neighborhood. It was a beautiful evening and many of our **neighbors happily anticipate the St. Peter Children caroling at their door**. Every year, **Mrs. Sue Stenhouse (children's choir director)** greets us at the door with her **maracas** to join in the fun! We **thank Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Kenyon, Miss Dwyer and Miss Kane** for planning this evening for the children, the **parent volunteers** who stayed behind to **prepare the treats** for the children; and the **parents who joined us** on the streets for caroling. We look forward to this evening each Christmas season!

THANK YOU: **Miss Dwyer, Miss Kane, Mrs. Sickinger** and the **2011-12 Cross Country Team** would like to thank **Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Russo** for donating this year's **Cross Country medals**.

Usually at the final meet, the **Catholic Athletic League (CAL)** presents medals to all the players. Apparently this year there were **cutbacks and medals were not distributed**. Needless to say, the team members were disappointed. **The Russo's purchased and had a medal engraved for each child**. Once again, thank you!

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday, December 24: 5:00 PM (up and down); 12:00 AM (Midnight)

Sunday, December 25: 8:00 AM; 9:30 AM (up only); 11:00 AM

Saturday and Sunday, December 31 and January 1: Regular Weekend Schedule

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE:

Boys Grammar January 7 10:00 PM St. Paul's@ St. Joe's (West Warwick)

Boys Midget B January 7 12:00 PM St. Mary's @ St. Mary's (Cranston)

Girls Midget B January 7 8:30 AM Immaculate @ Immaculate (Cranston)

LOOKING AHEAD: PICTURE RETAKES

Lifetouch school picture re-take day will be Tuesday, January 10th.

If your child was absent and you want to have his/her picture taken, please complete the form that was sent home in November and include your check for the packet selected. Children having their picture taken do not have to wear their uniform on that day. **Pictures will not be taken without the form and payment. If you cannot find the order form, please call Mrs. Rossi.**

If you are **not pleased with the original school picture** taken on November 7th and **would like a re-take**, you **must return the complete packet that was sent home to you.**

A+SCHOOL REWARDS: Now that we have a new Stop & Shop right around the corner, I would like to remind you to register your Stop and Shop card so that St. Peter School can receive Reward Points. Follow these simple rules:

Register your Stop & Shop Reward Card @ stopandshop.com/aplus

Use 5-digit ID code: 07435

That's all you have to do! Thank you.

LOST & FOUND: **Our box is overflowing to say the least!** Next stop—St. Vincent de Paul donation box.

25 WEEK CLUB: The winners of last week's drawing were:

Frances Allin	\$50.00	Jennifer Basile	\$50.00
Dr. Kathleen Bowling	\$25.00	Sean Matthews	\$25.00

DROP OFF/PICK UP: **Students are not to be dropped off in front of the school. All students are to be dropped off in the Church parking lot and cross with the crossing guard at the crosswalk.** I would ask your immediate cooperation in this matter.

IMPORTANT DATES:

December 24

December 25

December 26—January 2

January 3

Christmas Eve

Christmas Day

Christmas Vacation

School Resumes

SAVE THE DATES:

January 29 Catholic Schools Week Mass 11:00 AM

February 4 Father/Daughter Dance

Please continue to send in your **EMPTY COMPUTER INK CARTRIDGES, CAMPBELL SOUP LABELS**, and **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION**. Thank you to all who have been sending them in regularly.

Please register your **Reward Cards** at both **Shaw's** and **Stop & Shop**.

Please visit **Boxtops for Education.com**. There are many simple things you can do that will earn **St. Peter School** many extra boxtops!

❖ **NEWSLETTERS AND MANY OF OUR FORMS CAN BE FOUND ON THE ST. PETER SCHOOL WEBSITE stpeterschoolri.com**

CHRISTMAS THOUGHT: *Christmas is not a time nor a season, but a state of mind. To cherish peace and goodwill, to be plenteous in mercy, is to have the real spirit of Christmas.*
-Calvin Coolidge

May you carry the spirit of the season all year long.
Have a blessed Christmas and a very happy and healthy New Year!

Joan Sickinger
Principal

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