



ST. PETER SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

As we approach the third Sunday of Advent, **Gaudete (i.e. rejoice) Sunday**, I hope that your Advent preparations have helped you and your family **grow closer to Jesus** and to the **true meaning of Christmas**. The pink candle reminds us that even though **Advent is a penitential season**, joy is all around us. As we journey through Advent, we empty ourselves of the extra and unneeded, opening ourselves to be filled by Jesus. This week as we practice love towards the people around us, let us feel the joy of the season.

STUDENT COUNCIL SHORT STORY CONTEST CORRECTION:

Rules Correction: **Word limit** for **grades K-2** should read **up to 100 words** rather than no less than 100 words. **Word limit** for **grades 6-8** should read **500-1000 words**.

WARWICK PAL ATHLETIC LEAGUE: St. Peter School has made a **\$50.00 donation** to **Warwick Pal**. In return, we are able to place a **school ad in their newsletter** and we received **5 tickets** to the **Warwick Pal All Stars vs. All Pro game** that will take place on **March 25, 2012** at Thayer Arena at 3:30 PM. These tickets will be located on the **Penny Social Table on Christmas Fun Day**.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL: **Grades 3-8** will be attending a production of *A Christmas Carol* on **Thursday, December 22nd** at Rhodes on the Pawtuxet. This traditional Christmas theatre presentation is being staged by the **Artist's Exchange** and our own **Mia Ray (Grade 7)** is a **part of the show**. If you have not yet sent in your permission slip and payment, please do so as soon as possible.

HOLY HOUR AND CONFESSIONS will take place **every Friday from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM** in St. Peter Church.

BASKETBALL SCORES FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4TH:

Boys Grammar----St. Peter	56	John V. Doyle----	46
Girls Midget-----St. Peter	14	Mercymount-----	13

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE:

Boys Grammar December 10 10:00 AM Monsignor Clarke @ Monsignor Clarke

Boys Midget B December 14 CANCELLED

Girls Midget B December 10 11:00 AM St. Johns @ Immaculate (Cranston)

JINGLE ALL THE WAY 5K: Congratulations to Mrs. Amy Beausoleil who finished **960th** out of a field of **2098** runners in the **U.S. Marine Corps Toys for Tots 5K**. Mrs. Beausoleil's time was **33 minutes and 36 seconds**. Way to go, Amy! **Thank you to all who donated toys (80 toys) for Mrs. Beausoleil to bring to the 5K.**

HOLIDAY SHOPPING EVENT FOR AUTISM AND THE SACRAMENTS: Thank you to all who baked and shopped for this special shopping event. **The St. Peter School bake table raised over \$200.00 for the Autism Sacramental Program at St. Peters.**

DWYER'S DOLL HOUSE: Discount post cards were sent home in last week's Friday Folder about the **relocation of Dwyer's Doll House**. Dwyer's Doll House is a wonderful place to **visit (and shop)** during the Christmas season.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE: The members of our Student Council Outreach Committee, along with Mrs. Robinson, Miss Kane and many parents visited the Breast Health Center at Kent to present a \$360.00 donation for Breast Cancer research. The \$360.00 was raised by a Dress Down Day and bake sale. We want to thank **Mr. Bob LeBlanc** for generously donating **an over-sized check** to be used at the presentation ceremony.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA: This popular event for the younger children takes place this **Saturday, December 11th from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM** in the lower church. There will be a **very special Santa** there to visit with everyone!

CHRISTMAS FUN DAY: This **annual and much anticipated day** will take place **next Friday, December 16th**. Please find enclosed in this week's Friday folder a **Christmas Fun Day Order Form**. Please fill one out for each child in your family. Please send your child with cash (small bills) and the Santa picture money (\$1.00) should be in separate envelope marked **SANTA PICTURE**.

A+SCHOOL REWARDS: Now that we have a new Stop & Shop right around the corner, I would like to remind you to sign up so that St. Peter School can get 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: **The pile grows by the day!** Please stop in to check and see if any of your child's/children's missing items of clothing are a part of the pile.

25 WEEK CLUB: Congratulations to the winners of last week's drawing:

Marianne Beirne \$50.00 David Langevin \$50.00
Maria Pate \$25.00 Joseph Perrino \$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 10 Breakfast With Santa St. Peter Lower Church 9-11 AM
High School Placement Makeup Tests

December 11 Third Sunday of Advent
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT
Bishop Hendricken McNally Gym 1:00 pm
ALL ST. PETER SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS CONCERT. PLEASE ARRIVE NO LATER THAN 12:30 PM

Christmas in Pawtuxet (later afternoon)

December 12 Dress Down for Carina \$1.00
December 16 Christmas Fun Day
December 19 Free Dress Down

SAVE THE DATES:

December 19 Christmas Caroling—Grades 1-5
December 23 Last day of school. NO AFTER SCHOOL EXTENDED DAY

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

PRAYER FOR ADVENT: *Dear God: As an Advent candle is lit in joyous anticipation of your Son's nativity, remind us always of the reason for our joy. As the purple candles stand for both penance and atonement for sin, give us the grace to do penance for our wrongs and to love Christ, whose sacrifice atoned for the sins of the world. Just as the rose candle stands for joy in the midst of suffering and expectation, give us the joy of your Son, Jesus Christ, who came into a world that had so longed for its Savior, and made the angels themselves sing with joy at His birth. Amen*

God bless,

Joan Sickinger
Principal

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