

St. Joseph Catholic School Newsletter

November 28, 2017

Growing in faith and knowledge to serve God and community.

St. Joseph Catholic School Mission

Vocations Crucifix Thanks to the Mark and Cassie Batchman family for hosting the vocations crucifix this week. The Jill and Branden Ritchie family will host the crucifix for the coming week.

Lunches The cooks will be sending home notices for those who have overdue lunch accounts. If you are not current in your payment for your child's lunches, please take care of payment by December 15. If you have been paying lunches on a regular basis, December lunch money is now due. Lunches are \$57 per month and extra milks are \$8.

Smile We received a check from Amazon Smile in the amount of \$63.62 for the quarter July 1 to September 30. Thanks to those who have signed up for Amazon Smile and selected St. Joseph Church as your charitable organization. It all adds up throughout the year!

Confessions Students will be participating in the sacrament of reconciliation this Friday, December 1, after the children's mass.

Basketball St. Joseph basketball teams will play Saturday, December 2, here in Ellinwood beginning at 10:00 and Sunday, December 3, also in Ellinwood beginning at 1:15. Looking ahead, the tournament will be held the weekend of December 9/10 here in Ellinwood.

Gingerbread St. Joseph High School Youth Group will be hosting a Gingerbread House Workshop on December 3, 2017, at Gather during the Christkindlemarket. To sign up, contact Jamie in the school/church office.

Gift As we have done in the past, we will be collecting donations towards a Christmas gift for Father Klein. Please send your donation to school by December 7.

Early Dismissal Next week Wednesday, December 6, our students will be dismissed along with public school students at 2:15. Buses will run at this time. If your student does not ride the bus, please make arrangements to pick them up at 2:15.

Program Our Christmas Program will be held next week Wednesday, December 6, beginning at 7:00pm in the Parish Center. In holding with tradition, we ask each family to bring a finger food to enjoy after the program. Following the program, all are welcome to enjoy a snack and fellowship.

Holy Day Next week Friday, December 8, we will not have school to honor the feast day of the Immaculate Conception.

Amazon Before you begin your Christmas shopping online, remember to purchase Amazon gift cards and shop through Amazon Smile. This is a simple way to earn cash for SJCS throughout the Christmas season.

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Angels During the season of Advent, the students, faculty, and staff will act as Secret Advent Angels to one another. We will each draw a name of a fellow student or staff member for whom we will make cards and offer prayers for throughout the Advent season. The hardest part for students is to remember the "secret" part of Advent Angels. We try to remain "Secret" Advent Angels until December 15 when we reveal our identities at the school-wide Christmas party.

Weekend Mass Weekend mass times are at 5:00pm Saturday and 10:30am Sunday. This Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent. Press the CTRL key then click on this link to find the scripture readings for this weekend. <http://www.ewtn.com/devotionals/inspiration.htm>

Father will read from the Gospel of Mark 13:33-37 "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come." How can my life anticipate Christ's coming in my next Eucharist, as well as when he comes again?