



ST DIDACUS

Catholic School+

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Christmas break is upon us. Who would have imagined way back in March that we still would be struggling with this COVID pandemic and shut down? It has definitely been a very challenging and difficult year. But here we are, ready to celebrate Christmas and welcome a new year with all the hope that this special time brings.

I, for one, cannot wait to bring in the New Year. I certainly hope we can get back to somewhat of a normal way of life. Regardless of what happens, know that we at St. Didacus will continue to work hard to ensure your children are being educated and growing in faith and love of God.

This Friday, we will be having an in-person mass to celebrate Christmas. If you are comfortable coming to mass, I highly encourage you to attend with your children. For those students and families who cannot attend, we will be live-streaming the mass via ZOOM as we do every Friday. We are still collecting donations for the pregnancy counseling center this week. Please drop off your donation in the school office or bring it with you on Friday when you attend mass.

We will be filming our Christmas program this Wednesday. Thank you to all of the students that are participating. We will have the Christmas program available to be viewed by next week. The program will be on our Facebook page, YouTube and our website. I hope that everyone watches it and shares it with family and friends to watch it as well. I will send out the link when it is ready.

CHRISTMAS DONATION DRIVE FOR BABY BOYS

Please support our local **Pregnancy Counseling Center** by donating new baby items!

When: Monday, December 7th – Monday, December 21st

Why: Corporal works of mercy during Advent to prepare our hearts for Christmas.

- Preschool: Baby blankets
- Kindergarten: Diapers (sizes newborn through 1 year)
- 1st Grade: Baby wipes
- 2nd Grade: Newborn clothing for boy
- 3rd Grade: 0-3 months clothing for boy
- 4th Grade: 3-6 months clothing for boy
- 5th Grade: 6-9 months clothing for boy
- 6th Grade: 9-12 months clothing for boy
- 7th Grade: 12-18 months clothing for boy
- 8th Grade: Baby toiletries (baby soap/wash, shampoo, Aquaphor, Desitin, etc...)

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, Dec. 16

Christmas Concert Rehearsal and Taping:

- 9:00am – 9:30am Kinder & 1st
- 9:30am – 10:00am 2nd & 3rd
- 10:00am – 10:30am 4th & 5th
- 10:30am – 11:00am 6th, 7th & 8th
- 11:00am – 12:00pm Choir & Staff

Friday, December 18, 2020

School Christmas Mass – 9:00am

(Please join us in person.)

Final day of school before

Christmas vacation

Tuesday, December 23

Release of online Christmas Concert

Friday, December 25

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Tuesday, January 5, 2021

Back from vacation (online classes)

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Dear SDS families,

This year has been like no other. I have not been able to see you and interact with you like I normally would. I miss you! I even miss the hectic mornings handing out late slips, seeing the kids when the need icepacks, lunches, words of comfort or even reminding them to 'tuck in their shirt'. I especially miss seeing them everyday as they grow in faith and knowledge.

Thank you for being part of the St. Didacus family. I look forward to getting back to normal very soon. I wish you all a Merry Christmas & a healthy Happy New Year! God bless you!

Maria Garza

