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# **December 16, 2014 School Newsletter**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
DECEMBER	15	16 Day 4	17 8:00 AM Mass 8CC Cherubim Choir	18 Advent Parties K-4 at 12:30 PM	19 Advent Parties Grades 5-8 Advent Program 12:30 PM Piano Recital, 6:30PM Regan Hall Last Day of School before Christmas break	Piano Recital, 6:30 PM, Regan Hall
			July 5	24, 0	Day 1	
4 January 2015	5 School Resumes	6	7	8 2nd Grade in school field trip: Curious Minds	9 Home & School 7:30 AM	10
	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	
11	12 OLPA Testing	13 OLPA Testing	14 OLPA Testing	15 OLPA Testing	16 OLPA Testing	17
	Michelle Clark Day of Prayer Green Team "Let's Get Waste Wise!" after school	School Advisory 7PM		Lifetouch Yearbook Pictures		
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	
18	19 No School	20 OLPA Testing	21 OLPA Testing	22 OLPA Testing	23 OPLA Testing Catholic United Financial Fundraiser	24
					Begins	
		Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	
25 Science Fair	26 Catholic Schools Week	27 Catholic Schools Week	28 Catholic Schools Week	29 Catholic Schools Week	30 Catholic Schools Week	31 Catholic Schools Week Family Dance 6:00-8:30 PM

# From the school office

### Magazine Drive Pig Race:

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Congratulations to Mrs. White's, Mrs. Dawson's, Mrs. Capistrant's & Miss McCue's classrooms for being the winners of the magazine drive's top selling classrooms. They competed in the annual Pig Race held on Monday, December 15. Did you know that you can renew or order subscription all year and St Vincents will get credit for them? Simply log onto <a href="https://www.gaschoolstore.com">www.gaschoolstore.com</a> and use the SVDP school code 2639292.

### Welcome Student Teachers to St Vincent de Paul School

We would like to welcome Kathryn Ruzynski from the College of Saint Benedict and Saint John's University who will be student teaching in Mrs. White's kindergarten classroom from January 5, – March 13, 2015.





# **Lost and Found**

Please check the lost and found table in the school hall before the end of each month. We will be donating any items left in the lost and found at the end of every month to Goodwill.

# **Advent Program: Carriers of the Light**

Grades K-4 will be presenting **A Very Special Night** on Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 PM.

This is a "non-uniform" for K-4 students and they are expected to be in their "Sunday best" clothes. All in our community are invited to share in bringing the light of Jesus.





# Children's Christmas Choir Calling All Children

Children in grades 2-6 are invited to sing at the 11AM Mass on Christmas Day!

We will gather at 10AM for practice and sing for Mass at 11AM. You don't need to be in a choir to participate. We will sing our favorite Christmas

Carols and have a fabulous time together!

Children should wear their "Sunday Best" Christmas clothes.

Please contact Jacquie Okoh ASAP at: jacquieokoh@saintvdp.org

# **Prayers for Support**

### Please pray for the health of:

Robert Hagberg, grandfather of Halei & Haden Foster Donald Heim, great uncle of Halei & Haden Foster Richard Mattox, grandfather of Kaitlyn Mattox Bassem Armaly, grandfather of Grace, Emma &

Zachary Lowe

Dennis Hofmeister, grandfather of Gwen & Elise Myhre

Ralph VanHeel, grandfather of Gavin & Callista

Joellen Rucke, grandmother of Ryan, Ali, Megan & Lauren McNamara

Mike Winn, husband of Mrs. Jean Winn

Mitch Swirtz, great uncle of Blake & Noah Frazer, Lindsey & Lily Reise & Charley, Luke & Jake Sawicky

Michelle Gooley, mother of Natalie Gooley

# Please pray for the repose of the Soul of:

Tom Wahl, great uncle of Natalie Gooley



# Save the dates

#### **Team Strong:**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual SVDP Family Ski and Snowboarding Day at Trollhaugen has been scheduled for Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Details regarding signing up will be available after school resumes from Christmas break.



#### "Green Team Let's Get Waste Wise!"



Our next meeting will be Monday, Jan 12, after school! Come join us for an afternoon of fun as we explore the workings of recycling and composting and become wise about waste. Katie Cezo, an expert from Hennepin County, will be here to share the ins & outs and behind the scenes. Bring your questions and excitement! Activities end at 3:30.

# TG Open House for prospective students and families

Totino-Grace High School will hold an Open House for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders (and all other prospective students) and their parents on Wednesday, January 7<sup>th</sup>. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with the presentation beginning at 7:00 p.m. Come find out what makes Totino-Grace such a special place. If you have any questions please call T.J. Paal at 763-586-6314 or go to the school's webpage at www.totinograce.org



# Medieval Masterminds Science Explorers: Thursday, January 15



The kingdom needs you! The royal family has appointed you as their loyal master engineer to determine the best castle construction to protect their walls against a gience le Fun! marshmallow catapult. You will also practice your skills

of trajectory and accuracy with your own catapult.



January 2015 Lunch Menu



"Raising People" by Dr. Steven Kahn



# Happy Birthday Fr. Barsness!

Fr. Barsness celebrated his birthday at Mass on Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup> on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Students wished him a happy birthday on their way out of church.



### Dear Parents,

I will be retiring on December 31st, 2014. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for allowing me to care for your precious children each day through the years. I have had the opportunity to watch them grow and blossom into responsible, caring, and thoughtful adolescents. I feel very blessed that you have given me those wonderful moments. May you all be forever blessed with God's love,

Faye Morrison Bolduc, School Nurse

And from the students, staff, and families of St. Vincent de Paul School, we thank you Mrs. Faye Morrison Bolduc for the time and care you have given to all of us.



The Staff of St Vincent de Paul School wishes all of our students and family a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. We'll look forward to seeing everyone back on Monday, January 5, 2015.

God bless you and your families.

