



St. Joseph School

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Under the guidance of Saint Joseph, Patron Saint of the Universal Church, Saint Joseph School endeavors to achieve academic excellence in a faith-tilled and safe environment. School staff and parents collaborate to develop students' spiritual, intellectual, emotional, and physical well-being in a traditional Catholic setting.

November 29, 2023

Dear Parents,

What a lovely weekend to celebrate the beautiful feast of Thanksgiving with our families thanking God for all of the blessings he has bestowed upon us!! Very soon we will begin the season of Advent and pray that we will prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus in our hearts once again.

As stated in last week's letter, we have many students on our Honor Roll for the First Trimester. For the **Principal's Honor Roll**: Natalie Lopez-Hernandez, Linnea MacPhail, Thomas FitzGerald, Madeleine Gagnon, Andrea Ramos, Mary FitzGerald, Tristan Rayhall, Ryan Smith, and Madelyn Wilkinson; **High Honor Roll**: Karina Colondres, James Hamrick, Aubrey Kunkle, Stephen Landolphi, Brendan McMahon, Hannah Sypher, Noah Chartier, Declan Hamrick, and Flynn Currier; **Honor Roll**: Kiana Arroyo, Peter Bear, Laura LaCasse, Rory Hamrick, Zane Tanksley, Nyah MacPhail, Freya Blanco, Armando Gallegos, and Iliana Tolentino. Congratulations to all of our Honor Roll students!!! Certificates will be given out tomorrow, November 30th, during Morning Prayer.

Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Mrs. Rosalynn Carter, former First Lady, remembered for her gracious demeanor. At this time, we also ask that we continue to pray for world peace which is so needed, especially in Israel and Ukraine as well as in other parts of the world that we don't always hear about.

I am well aware that there are many food drives going on now and again for Christmas, but I have chosen to do one during the month of January and again in March as people are hungry all year long.

If you recall, a few weeks ago I featured Hannah Sypher as an outstanding gymnast, and will be going to nationals hopefully in May. This week I am focusing on the Currier family who will be starring in A Christmas Carol at Niantic Bay Playhouse. Flynn Currier is playing Boy Ebenezer and is one of the narrators. Aurora Currier is playing Belinda Cratchit and is also serving as a narrator. Mr. Currier plays Bob Cratchit and Mrs. Currier plays Mrs. Cratchit. This is really a family affair!!! The show opens on Friday, December 1st, and will have 11 performances. Seats are limited as the show is rapidly selling out!

As already stated in last week's letter, our upcoming Christmas Concert and Art Show is on Saturday, December 9th, at 1:00 p.m. in St. Michael Center. All students are to be present in this concert. The dress code is as follows: Boys- dress shirt, Dress pants, tie (regular or bow tie), socks, dress or school shoes; Girls – modest dress or skirt and blouse, socks/stockings, dress shoes or school shoes. For the girls, the dress or skirt must be no more than one inch above the knee. No one may wear boots, flip flops, heels, or any type of athletic shoes. This is going to be a great family event and our students have worked hard for this presentation. We are looking forward to seeing you there!! They are to be in St. Michael Center by 12:45 p.m.

Enclosed you will find a letter distributed to all families of students at Lebanon Elementary School. Since some parents requested it, and this is a very important topic, I am enclosing it in this week's folder.

Enclosed you will find the following:

- **Calendar Raffle reminder**
- **Christmas Concert Bake Sale and rose sale**
- **Breakfast With Santa**

LOOKING AHEAD

Friday, December 1st	First Friday Mass at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to attend. NO HOT LUNCH 12:30 p.m. dismissal with After Care until 3:00 p.m.
Friday, December 8th	Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass at 9:00 a.m. This is a Holy Day of Obligation for Catholics. All are invited To attend this Mass
Saturday, December 9th	Christmas Concert and Art Display 1:00 p.m. St. Michael Center All students are to be in St. Michael Center by 12:45 p.m. Snow Date on Sunday, December 10th at 2:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 14th Saturday, December 16th Dec. 19th, 20th, 21st	8th Grade Pizza Sale Breakfast With Santa 9:00 a.m. - noon NO HOT LUNCH
Friday, December 22nd	Pizza Party and free Dress Down No lunch needed <u>12:30 p.m. dismissal with NO AFTER CARE</u>

God bless you and have a wonderful week~

Sincerely in Jesus and Mary,



Sister Mary Patrick, S.C.M.C.
Principal