



# Shamrock Newsletter

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## Upcoming Dates

- Dec. 2 – 4:** Santa's Secret Shop  
**Dec. 8:** Liturgical Dancers / Immaculate Conception Mass 9:00 a.m.  
**Dec. 9:** Early Dismissal  
**Dec. 13:** Liturgical Dancers / Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass 3:00 p.m.  
**Dec. 17:** Christmas Play 7:00 p.m.  
**Dec. 18:** Early Dismissal (1:30 p.m.)  
**Dec. 18:** NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE  
**Dec. 21 – Jan. 1:** Christmas Holiday  
**Jan 4:** No School – Diocesan Teachers Meeting

## Santa's Secret Shop

**Ho! Ho! Ho!** Santa's Secret Shop will be held this week from **Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> through Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup>** during school hours. Students have your lists ready! Adult volunteers will be available to guide the younger students in gift selections. **See payment envelopes enclosed in the green folders.** Please fill out the envelope neatly and completely, and remember to insert payment.

## Liturgical Dancers

The Liturgical Dancers will perform at the **Immaculate Conception** mass, **Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.**, and the **Our Lady of Guadalupe** Mass scheduled for **Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m.** Dancers need to meet in the Family Life Center gym at 2:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

## Early Dismissal

Early Dismissal will be held **Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>** and **Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup>**.

## NO After Hours Care

There will be **NO** After Hours Care Program on **Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup>** in order that **ALL** our staff will be able to attend the staff Christmas celebration.

## Second Grade Parent Lunch

The Second grade parents are invited to join their students for lunch on **Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 a.m.** Please sign and return the enclosed reservation form by Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup>.

## December Teacher / Staff Snacks

The Parent School Association will host snacks for teachers and staff for the first and second Fridays in December (the 4<sup>th</sup> and the 11<sup>th</sup>). There will be no staff snack on the 18<sup>th</sup> due to Christmas parties. **Thank you** to all our wonderful parents who take time to provide us with delicious treats every Friday. We really appreciate your generosity!

## School Choir

The St. Patrick School Choir did a lovely job singing at the morning assembly Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to Mrs. Peggy Joyce Johnson for preparing the choir so well.

## Advent Service Project

Please see enclosed letter describing our Advent Service Project to benefit McCoy Personal Care Home.

**More News on Back**

### **Trees of Christmas – Merrehope**

Every Christmas for many years now, Merrehope has hosted a “Trees of Christmas” event, where local schools and organizations are each invited to decorate one of the trees located throughout the historic Merrehope Home. The theme this year is “A Global Christmas,” and St. Patrick School is representing the country of Ireland. Please look for this tree if you and your family attend this traditional Meridian holiday event. The decorations are a combination of new ones and old ones made by our students and/or staff.

### **Way to Go Kids!**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Family Challenge Night was a huge success! For the second year in a row, the Kids were victorious in this exciting test of mental and physical challenges. Congratulations Kids! You may view the trophy in the hall.

### **Thanksgiving Baskets**

Thank you for your generosity in contributing to the Thanksgiving Baskets. The sixth graders were able to deliver some of the baskets and experience first hand the appreciation expressed from several of the families served. What an excellent opportunity to teach service, sharing, and Christian outreach. Thank you.

### **After School Activities**

#### **Indoor Winter Sports:**

Friday, 2:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Choir:** Thursday, 2:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**After Hours Homework Club:** Monday and Wednesday, 2:45 p.m.–3:30 p.m.

### **Sports News**

Soccer is officially over for the first semester. We now begin a variety of winter sports to include, but not limited to, volleyball, basketball and dodge ball. If your child is interested in these activities, call the office for a permission slip. **ALL** interested students must register. Students who do not already have a St. Patrick Sports t-shirts will be asked to purchase one for \$10.00 when they register.



In accordance with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, there will be no discrimination on the grounds of race, creed, color, national origin, or handicapping condition in regards to student enrollment or staff employment.