



## Sacred Heart School

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### Mr. B's Buzz

It is exciting to be completing the second week of Advent! I hope you will have the opportunity to enjoy our preschool and elementary students (K-5) at their respective Christmas programs next week. I don't know if it is the message of hope and joy, or the warmth that I see on faces of adults as their children sing and perform, but I am reminded of our blessings every time I witness the enthusiasm and innocence of children at this time of the year.

Our second quarter ends today! On Friday, December 16 we will celebrate our second quarter successes with an assembly at 11:30, followed by Mass at 12 noon and an **EARLY DISMISSAL at 1:00 pm.**

Sacred Heart School Commission, under the direction of its chair, Ed Galligan has begun a strategic planning process. This Plan will cover a three-year period. Every facet of education at SHS from its Catholic identity to the grounds and maintenance of our building will be studied. Already committees and focus groups are in the early stages of review and study. You will be hearing much more about this planning process when we return from our Christmas break.

During this first semester, my focus has been on observing and evaluating many of our procedures, especially as they relate to student safety and well-being. As we anticipate a few changes in the areas of student arrival and dismissal and student attendance, I welcome your thoughts, ideas, and insights.

Please keep in your prayers our 8<sup>th</sup> graders who will be taking the placement test at Providence H.S. and other Catholic high schools across the river on Saturday.

This Sunday is Gaudete or Joy Sunday. I pray that the Light of Christ will warm your hearts and keep your homes warm as well this weekend!

*We are anchored in Christ,*

Frank Barlag

***Sacred Heart of Jesus, Have Mercy on us. Live Jesus in our hearts, Forever!***

UPCOMING EVENTS	
Dec. 13	Preschool Christmas Program 7:00 PM in the Church
Dec. 13	Student Reconciliation at 9:30
Dec. 14	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report Cards Posted
Dec. 15	Christmas Program (K-5) 7:00 PM in the Church
Dec. 16	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Awards Assembly 11:30 AM in Church All School Mass 12:00 PM <b>Early Dismissal at 1:00 PM</b>
Dec. 17 – Jan. 2	NO SCHOOL/CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

LUNCH MENU	
Monday	Turkey Sandwich, Chicken/Rice Soup, Peas & Fruit
Tuesday	Cheeseburger, French Fries, Bakes Beans & Fruit
Wednesday	Pasta Bake, Broccoli, Garlic Bread & Fruit
Thursday	Soft Taco, Refried Beans, Sweet Rice & Fruit
Friday	Little Caesar's Cheese Pizza <i>Only</i> , Carrots/Celery Stix, Fresh Apple

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Dec. 13	Student Reconciliation	9:30
Dec. 16	Mrs. Brockwell, Grade 1	12:00 Noon

## **ADVENT THIS WEEK (Dec 11<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>) AT SHS**

Tuesday, 7:50 AM Lighting of the Advent Wreath in the PAC; Confessions at 9:00 in the church.  
Tuesday, 7:00 PM Preschool Christmas Program in the church  
Thursday, 7:00 PM Grade School (Grades K-5) Christmas Program in the church  
Friday, 11:30 AM 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Awards. 12:00 noon: All School Mass

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup> WILL NOT BE A DRESS DOWN DAY.** STUDENTS ARE TO BE IN UNIFORM ON THIS DAY. Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, students may wear the following: Christmas sweater/shirt, or red shirt and uniform bottoms.

**SHS AFTERCARE PROGRAM:** We will have aftercare on Friday, December 16 beginning at dismissal.

## **CALAMITY DAYS**

You can check the Sacred Heart's website where we will post any change from the calendar as the first item under NEWS. We will also activate our notification system as soon as possible. Please make sure the school office has **ALL** current addresses and phone numbers on file. If school is cancelled due to weather conditions, **we follow our own plan**. School will either be closed or we will operate on a two-hour delay. This information will be found on our website, TV, and the TV station's website. Listen or watch for **Sacred Heart, Jeffersonville**. In the event that there needs to be an early dismissal, the oldest student enrolled in school will call a parent to determine how they will get home. We need to be sure arrangements have been made so no one arrives home unsupervised without the parent's consent.

## **SACRED HEART SCHOOL INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY**

**Sacred Heart School 2 Hour Delay:** The grade school day will start at 9:45. The lunch choice will be #1 entrée only. There will be **NO** pre-school.

**Daycare/Extend Care** will open at 7:00 a.m. and there will be **NO** preschool.

*Closings/Delays will be listed on WAVE and WDRB. [Look for Sacred Heart School – Jeffersonville](#)*

## **PARISH NEWS**

4<sup>th</sup> grade Movie Night with Father Marcotte, Saturday, December 10 at 5:45 PM.  
Sacred Heart/St. Augustine Youth Ministry will be meeting Tuesday December 13<sup>th</sup> at Sweet Frog on Veterans Parkway. Grades 6 – 8 will meet from 4:30 – 6:00. High School will meet from 6:30 – 8:00. Fill up a small cup with as much yogurt and toppings as you can all for \$4.00! The theme is "Being Called". Matthew 4:18-22, Matthew 9: 9-13.

## **PROVIDENCE NEWS**

The High School Placement Exam is this Sat., Dec. 10 from 8:45 a.m. to Noon for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students enrolling into Providence High School for 2017-2018. Your 8th grader should consider sitting for the exam at Providence, even if they are undecided as to where they might attend high school? The cost is \$15 (check payable to "Providence" or cash) which covers the testing booklets. Students should bring two, number-two pencils

Once again Providence will be offering FREE winter soccer training for Deanery girls in grades Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. The sessions are on Saturday mornings from 8 AM – 9 AM at Providence. The first session is December 17<sup>th</sup>.