



# Sacred Heart Catholic Newsletter

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Forming Saints and Scholars

**Our Mission:** Sacred Heart Catholic school community provides a Catholic foundation which cultivates disciples of Jesus and fosters academic excellence for all God's children.

## The Principal's Blog

I pray that you and your family experienced God's grace this Thanksgiving! As my family lights the first candle on our Advent wreath today, I will share with them the story of Father Solanus Casey. Do you know his story?

Father Solanus Casey was beatified in Detroit, Michigan last November. He is now one step closer to being officially recognized by the Catholic Church as a saint. Father Casey was a quiet, gentle, and an unassuming priest. His seminary superiors questioned his ability to serve as a priest and hesitated to recommend him because his low grades and poor academic performance. Father Casey's deep trust in God's providence prevailed and he became widely known as "Detroit's miracle worker." His practice of radical gratitude attracted people to him, especially the sick and poor of Detroit. He was extraordinary in his love, trust, faith, and confidence in God. Often, people coming to him with requests were greeted with his legendary saying, "Thank God ahead of time."

When we think of December and all the holiday celebrations, we usually think of party time. We anticipate the new year by making resolutions, promising changes in behavior.

As Christians, we celebrate the arrival of a new liturgical year on this first Sunday of Advent differently. This year we will have all four weekends to light our Advent wreaths and reflect upon the gospel readings from Luke, historian turned evangelist. And while we know that the Messiah has come in Jesus Christ, this is a time when we can still reflect on and celebrate the newness of Jesus' coming once again.

Maybe this Advent Season as we prepare for Christmas we will allow Father Casey to be our inspiration. How can you and I practice radical gratitude? Who knows, we just might be the candle that lightens someone's way to the Christ Child's manger.

His peace to you and your loved ones,  
Frank Barlag

Sacred Heart of Jesus, Have mercy on us.

Live Jesus in our hearts, Forever!

*ADVENT 2018*

*Dear Sacred Heart Catholic Families,*

*We would like to invite you into this Holy Season of Advent by sharing some activities with you.*

- Attached to this newsletter is an Advent calendar with simple daily activities to use with your family at home as well as a calendar with daily prayers.*
- Join us for weekly Advent prayer services on Wednesday mornings in the PAC beginning promptly at 7:50 a.m. and ending at 8:05 a.m.*  
*On 12/5, Grade 5 will lead*  
*On 12/12, Grade 3 will lead*  
*On 12/19, Grades 2 and 7 will lead*
- Our service project will be to collect Adult hats, gloves, and scarves for Exit 0. We will use giant stockings to collect donations. The stockings hanging outside of our classrooms will be a daily reminder of this service project as we walk through the halls during December.*

***GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY DURING THIS ADVENT SEASON.***

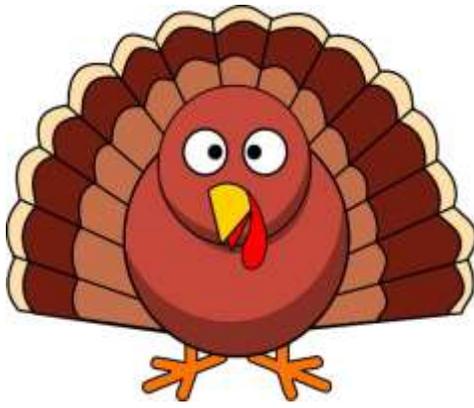


**Our SHC, Cardinals Rock! T-shirt is on sale – Buy One – Get One Free! The following sizes are available:**

- Youth Small – 8**
- Youth Medium – 10**
- Youth Large – 10**
- Youth XLarge – 10**
- Adult Small – 12**
- Adult Medium – 11**
- Adult Large – 15**
- Adult XLarge - 17**

**Get one for the whole family – show your school spirit at all our events!**





We had a “Guessing Game” as part of our Turkey Trot Festivities last week. Students were asked to estimate the number of Marshmallows, Skittles and M&M’s in jars. We had some very good “guessers!” Winners of the Jars of Marshmallows were Michael Shelby, Kindergarten and Drew Boggs, Grade 6; Jar of Skittles, Bennett Daly, Grade 3; and Jar of M&Ms, Presley Flowers, Grade 3.  
**CONGRATULATIONS ALL!**

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**Our second quarter ends Friday, December 14!  
This weekend will be a good time to speak to your student about his/her assignments and test preparations. You may also want to check your child’s grades on Jupiter so that there are not any surprises in the end!**



***On Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate our second quarter success with an awards assembly at 8:00 am., Los Posadas at 12:30 p.m. and an EARLY DISMISSAL AT 1:00 p.m. THERE WILL BE NO AFTERCARE ON OUR LAST DAY SO THAT ALL STAFF CAN CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS TOGETHER!***

Our faculty, staff and students were entertained by the Providence High School Singers and Popcorn Players. This is an annual event that is enjoyed by all! Thanks to Providence High School for allowing this very talented group to tour and entertain our local Catholic elementary schools.



As many of you are aware, we are in the throes of cold and flu season. Our students have also been experiencing stomach issues. There are rules governing when a student may return to school. Please see the information below. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated by the teachers, fellow students and other staff members.

## I NEED TO STAY HOME IF...

I HAVE A FEVER	I AM VOMITING	I HAVE DIARRHEA	I HAVE A RASH	I HAVE HEAD LICE	I HAVE AN EYE INFECTION	I HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL
Temperature of 100.4 or higher	Within the past 24 hours	Within the past 24 hours.	Body rash with itching or fever.	Itchy head, active head lice.	Redness, Itching, and/or "crusty" drainage from eye.	Hospital stay and/or ER Visit

## I AM READY TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL WHEN I AM....

Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication i.e. Tylenol, Motrin	Free from vomiting for at least 2 solid meals	Free from diarrhea for at least 24 hours	Free from rash itching, or or fever. I have been evaluated by my doctor if needed.	Treated with appropriate lice treatment at home and proof is provided to nurse.	Evaluated by my doctor and have note to return to school	Released by my medical provider to return to school.
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## WEATHER RELATED INFORMATION

WE DO NOT FOLLOW GREATER CLARK SCHOOL DISTRICT'S DECISION TO DELAY OR CANCEL SCHOOL. IF REGULAR SCHOOL HOURS ARE IMPACTED DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS, SCHOOL WILL EITHER BE CLOSED OR WE WILL OPERATE ON A TWO-HOUR DELAY. IF SCHOOL IS CLOSED AND OPERATING ON AN eLEARNING DAY, THE NEWS ANNOUNCEMENT AND THE JUPITER MESSAGE WILL CLEARLY STATE "eLEARNING DAY." IN ADDITION TO THE JUPITER MESSAGE, THIS INFORMATION MAY ALSO BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE. WE HAVE A PROCEDURE IN PLACE TO NOTIFY WAVE 3 NEWS AND WDRB NEWS WHEN WE HAVE A SCHOOL DELAY OR CLOSING. LISTEN OR WATCH FOR SACRED HEART CATHOLIC-JEFFERSONVILLE IN THE EVENT OF A CANCELLATION, DELAY OR EARLY DISMISSAL. YOU MAY GO TO THE NEWS STATIONS' WEBSITES TO SIGN UP TO RECEIVE TEXT MESSAGE NOTIFICATIONS.

IF WE ARE ON A TWO-HOUR DELAY: (1) THERE WILL BE NO MORNING PRESCHOOL CLASSES. (2) EXTENDED CARE WILL OPEN AT 8:30 A.M. (3) DROP-OFF DOORS WILL OPEN AT 9:00 A.M.

IF WE HAVE AN EARLY DISMISSAL: (1) WE WILL DISMISS AT 1:00 P.M. (2) PARENTS/GUARDIANS WILL BE NOTIFIED THROUGH JUPITER. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT YOU HAVE A PLAN TO HAVE SOMEONE ON CALL WHO CAN PICK UP YOUR STUDENT(S). WE NEED TO ENSURE THAT ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE SO NO ONE ARRIVES HOME UNSUPERVISED WITHOUT THE PARENT'S CONSENT.

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### CHRISTMAS IS COMING: ARE YOU (SPIRITUALLY) READY!

Advent



The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and also to the anniversary of the Lord's birth on Christmas.

Father Marcotte, along with our parish staff, has arranged an evening of reflection on the above topic. Advent begins on Sunday, December 2, 2018; and on Monday, December 3, from 7-9 pm at Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, St.

Catherine Hall, Reflection and Prayer will be led by Ken Ogorek, Director of Catechesis (Religious Instruction), Archdiocese of Indianapolis.

Please plan to spend a few hours getting spiritually ready for the coming of Christmas.

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Dec 6 – Preschool Field Trip, Derby Dinner

Dec 6 – Visit of St. Nick.

Dec 13 – Grades K-8 Christmas Program, 6:30 p.m. in the Church

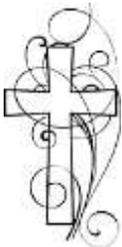
Dec 14 – End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter

Dec 18 – Preschool Christmas Program, 6:30 p.m. in the Church

Dec 19 – School Advent Confessions, 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Dec 20 Awards Assembly, 8:00 a.m., Los Posadas, Noon, 1:00 p.m. dismissal (Bring a Sack Lunch - No cafeteria service)

Dec 20 – First Reconciliation for First Communicants, 7:00 p.m., Sacred Heart Church



## Liturgy Schedule: Come Worship with Our Family!

<b>Date &amp; Grade:</b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b>Feast of:</b>
December 7 (8 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	8:30 am	Memorial of St. Ambrose
December 14 (1 <sup>st</sup> Grade)	8:30 am	Memorial of St. John of the Cross
*December 20 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade)	Noon	Ordinary Time

\*Last Mass Before Christmas Break

The Providence High School STEM classes will begin taking registration emails at 6:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. Details are attached to this newsletter.



## What's Number 1???

<u>12/03</u>	<u>12/04</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>12/06</u>	<u>12/07</u>
Meatloaf w/roll Mashed Potatoes Peas Fruit/Milk	Beef Stroganoff Green Beans Cinnamon Apples Fruit/Milk	Soft Taco Refried Beans Corn Fruit/Milk	Lasagna w/garlic bread Salad Corn Fruit/Milk	Hot Ham & Cheese Sandwich Tater Tots Buttered Carrots Fruit/Milk

**EARLY REMINDER, THERE WILL BE NO CAFETERIA SERVICE ON DECEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>, LAST DAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS BREAK – BRING A SACK LUNCH!!**



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