

LA SALLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

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One of the most important things we can do to share our faith with our children is to participate in weekend Mass.

Pastorate Mass Schedule

Balltown	4:00 Saturday
Luxemburg	6:00 Saturday
Rickardsville	8:00 Sunday
Sherrill	10:00 Sunday

Readings for this weekend:

Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10 James 5:7-10 Matthew 11:2-11

Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve: 4 p.m. Balltown & Holy Cross
6 p.m. Luxemburg

Christmas Day: 8 a.m. Rickardsville
10 a.m. Sherrill

Advent: The prayer service for the fourth week of Advent will start at 11:30 on Friday, December 20 in the cafeteria. We will be having an Advent retreat for students that morning and will end the retreat with the prayer service.

School Christmas Program: The school Christmas program, *Star of Wonder*, will be performed at 2:15 and 7:00 pm on Thursday, December 19. Students in kindergarten through grade 6 will wear costumes for the program. Please have students wear black (or navy blue or other dark color) pants or leggings and long sleeve shirts to school on Thursday and for the program. Teachers will help students to put on their costumes over their dark clothes. Preschool students will be singing a few songs before the Star of Wonder program. Preschool students are not wearing costumes for their portion of the event.

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Cookies with Santa: Santa is coming to the La Salle gym on Saturday, December 14. There will be an open house event featuring three activity centers from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Children are invited to visit Santa, listen to stories, and frost cookies. Each family will leave with a photo of their Santa visit. There is no charge for this event.

Pastorate Advent/Christmas Program: The pastorate Advent/Christmas program is at Rickardsville on Sunday, December 15 at 6:00 pm. Second grade students from school and from faith formation take part in the nativity play at the conclusion of the program.

Out of Uniform Day: Our next Out of Uniform Day is Wednesday, December 18th. Donations will benefit the Ronald McDonald House.

Classroom Christmas Parties: Students in 4-year-old preschool will have their Christmas party on Tuesday, December 17. Students in kindergarten, 1/2, 3/4, and 5/6 will have their classroom Christmas parties on Wednesday, December 18. Students in 3-year-old preschool will have their Christmas party on Friday, December 20.

2 Hour Early Dismissal: There will be a 2 hour early dismissal on Friday, December 20 which begins our Christmas break. Classes resume Friday, January 3.

STO: This is the time of year we ask for donations to the STO program. The Educational Opportunities Act, passed by the Iowa Legislature in 2006, allows Iowa taxpayers to receive a tax credit equal to sixty-five percent (65%) of the total amount of voluntary cash contributions made to a School Tuition Organization. Donations can be made by check or credit card. Donations can also take the form of gifts of stock or gifts of grain. There are specific instructions for donating stock or grain. Forms and directions are available by contacting Jeff Schneider at 563-556-2580 ext 219 or online at <https://www.ourfaithsto.org/for-donors/ways-to-donate/>. Contributions must be postmarked by December 31, 2019 to be eligible for a 2019 tax credit.

Free Award Winning Film about Human Trafficking: Two organizations, The Tri-State Coalition Against Human Trafficking and Slavery, and 100 Good Women Who Care Dubuque, are sponsoring a free award winning film about children and human trafficking. The film will be shown at the Grand Opera House in Dubuque on Saturday, January 11. Doors will open at 9:30 a.m. The film begins at 10:00 a.m. Adult supervision is advised. Please see the attached flyer.

Dubuque Fighting Saints Hockey: Members of the Dubuque Fighting Saints hockey team will be at La Salle on January 28 to present their Live Like a Saint assembly. La Salle Night at the hockey game is on Saturday, February 8. Tickets for the hockey game will be \$10 and will be on sale in January.

Christmas Scrip Contest: Our holiday scrip contest is in full swing. You can purchase scrip at the bank in Luxemburg or the Main Street Market in Holy Cross, or you can place the order online through shopwithscrip.com or by sending a scrip form to school. For large orders or questions, please call **Melissa at 563-590-4686**. The school scrip contest runs until December 17. For every \$250 of scrip purchased, your name will be entered into a drawing for one of two prizes: a day in the park including a pavilion rental at the Holy Cross Park along with a pizza certificate from Noonan’s North and Neumann’s and a \$20 gift card from Main Street Market or scrip of choice of \$250. The winners will be drawn at the school Christmas program on December 19.

Scrip makes a great Christmas gift!