

Merry Christmas
& Blessings for a
Happy New Year!

St. Stanislaus Catholic School Newsletter



Principal Note

I can't believe it's the last few days before our Christmas Break. We have all been so blessed with such wonderful and understanding families! Thank you so much for patience, understanding and time during this very unique school year

Living the Faith of a Catholic Family

Arts and Crafts

Gathering the family together for arts and crafts is another way to be with each other. It allows children to use their imagination. It stretches their creative minds and come into their own, making what they want at their own pace, which is a nice change from the systematic life many people have today. Even if done occasionally, arts and crafts can be memorable. One suggestion is to make it part of your family's Christmas tradition. Every year, just as you decorate your house and put up your Christmas tree, have the family each make a handmade ornament. As the years go by, you will have keepsakes from every year, making the Christmas tree a kind of time capsule of your family.

Living the Faith: Ideas for Catholic Families By: Rev. Mr. Dario Rinaldi October 15, 2020

Advent Blessings, Shannon Murphy

Advent Program

Our St. Stanislaus K—8th grades Advent Program is tomorrow night at 6:30 pm in the church. Students will need to be at school in their classrooms by 6:15 pm, dressed in their Sunday best. Refreshments will follow in the school cafeteria. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Operation Allegan County Jail



A big thank you to those of you who sent in Christmas cards for our brothers and sisters in Christ who will be incarcerated during Christmas. Inmates will now be able to send a Christmas card to their loved ones! We were able to send a total of 62 cards this year! God Bless you!

LOVE Day

This Friday, December 17th will be a *LOVE* day. Students need to wear their *LOVE* theme shirt. They can wear regular non-uniform pants. Long sleeve shirts may be worn underneath the *LOVE* theme shirts; however, only school uniform sweatshirts can be worn. No donation to our mission is needed.



Christmas Eve Children's Mass



Our students have worked hard this week for our Christmas Eve Nativity skit. We ask all participants to be at Church by 5:30 PM and to meet in the cry room.

Games/Toys

Our after school care program is in need of gently used games, small puzzles or smaller toys. Mrs. Schumacher recently went through our supply and found many of the items were missing pieces. If you are cleaning out to make room for Santa's toys, please think of donating to St. Stan's!

Sub Sale

St. Stan's Sub sale will begin after the first of the year. Mark your calendar and watch for more information when we return! Sub making and pick up will be Wednesday, February 16th.

Things to Come

Be sure to check the Family calendar on our School Website (st-stans.net) often for upcoming events, 1/2 days & days off, etc.

Soup Can Drive

Our Soup Can Drive to benefit Project Hope in Dorr, ends tomorrow. Be sure to send in your donations tomorrow!



TRIP News

There will be **no orders placed the last two weeks of December**. Our next order for physical cards will be placed on Monday, **January 3, 2022!**

There are lots of **product bonuses on e-cards this week. Until 12/17:** Bath & Body Works 12+5%, Delta 4+5%, JoAnn Fabrics 6+2%, Old Navy 14+4%, Starbucks 4.5+2%, Zappos 8+2%. **NOTE:** there are way too many bonuses this time of the year to list them all. Go to shopwithscrip.com to see everything that is available.

TRIP TIPS: Planning a spring break or summer vacation? Our program has many options to earn rebates on your trip. **Cruise lines:** Carnival, Celebrity, Holland American, Princess and Royal Caribbean. **Airlines:** American, Delta and Southwest. **Hotels:** Hotels.com, AirBNB, and hotel brands owned by Marriott, Best Western, Hilton, Westin, and Sheraton. There are even some **specialty** gift cards for things like Disney, Groupon, and Yogi Bear's Jellystone Campgrounds.

As always, if you have any questions, or would like to enroll in our TRIP program, contact Anita Lincoln at kevandta@aol.com or (616) 260-8588, or Allison Vogt (616) 299-7769. We are here to help!

Have a **blessed Christmas** and a joyful start to **2022!**

Your TRIP coordinators, Anita and Allison



Advent/Christmas News

Advent Jesse Tree continues each Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 7:30 am. Please join us.

Thursday, December 16th—K thru 8th grades Advent Program 6:30 PM.

December 20th through—31st—No School—Enjoy your Christmas & celebrating a New Year with your family.

A Family in Need

Darius and Jenna Kloska, St. Stanislaus parishioners and son /daughter-in-law of Lisa and John Kloska, (also Lori's nephew & niece), experienced a devastating house fire on November 11, 2021. They made it out of the house safely along with their dog, but did lose their cat to smoke inhalation.

The house and all the contents were declared a total loss. Among the contents lost were special wedding gifts to the couple and equipment for Jenna's photography business. Darius and Jenna had just celebrated their second year anniversary on November 9, 2021 and then they lost their home two days later.

Darius and Jenna have secured a temporary rental home however, they are in need of assistance to furnish their home. Please consider helping out Darius and Jenna. All donations will go directly to them to help them with the process of starting over and rebuilding what they have lost. No donation amount is too small and all donations are greatly appreciated!

Link for Darius & Jenna's Go Fund Me: <https://gofund.me/70ec4549>

Santa Shop

Santa Shop 2021 was a success! The kids had a great time shopping and wrapping. They put a lot of thought into their gifts, so we hope you enjoy!

And please, **DON'T THROW ANY GIFT BAGS AWAY!** The Santa Shop will gladly take your gently used gift bags of all shapes and sizes. Wrapping paper donations are also greatly appreciated. Thank you and Merry Christmas!!



Picture Retakes

The retakes for school pictures will be Tuesday, January 18th. More information will come after we return from Christmas break.

HYSO Sign Up Information is attached.

Auditions for Willy Wonka

January 4, 5, 6

Audition packets can be found in each school office.

Audition packets have all of the info needed for signing up and what to do to prepare for your audition

HHS Musical