

November 25, 2019

Dear St. Germaine families,

Welcome back from what I hope was a restful weekend as we enter into our week of Thanksgiving.

- Our “eating out” location this week is Tuesday, November 26 at **Apple Annie’s 3:30 – 9 pm**. Let them know you’re there for our fundraiser.
- Students in grades 1 – 8 were invited last week to participate in the “**Keep Christ in Christmas**” poster contest. All posters are due by December 11. Prizes will be awarded by our K of C Council.
- Our annual **all – school service project** runs through December 3. Each year we collect new unwrapped toys for children (newborn to teenager) who are in the Macomb County Family Services program. These children, who may not otherwise celebrate “family” Christmas, will receive Christmas gifts at an annual party hosted by county employees. Collection boxes are in the office.
- Please begin sending **pictures for our 2019 – 2020 yearbook** to colleen.kowalesky@gmail.com. Sporting events, birthday parties, field trips etc. are all great photo opportunities for our yearbook!
- Continue collecting those **Box Tops** through the month of November to help us reach or surpass our school goal of 1,800! Our program is changing, soon we will only need to scan shopping receipts...
- Our preschoolers have been busy preparing for their “**Pow-Wow!**” Presentations will be held in the activity center Monday, November 25 at 10:30 am and Tuesday, November 26 at 10:00 am.
- Love basketball? Want to help out? Need service hours? We host our **CYO Boys’ Thanksgiving Tournament** each year which runs through Thanksgiving weekend. Help is still needed, sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e4eaeaf2da64-20191>
- A representative from **Camp Sancta Maria** visited students in grades 3 – 8 last week and introduced their wonderful summer camp program. See registration information here: <https://campsanctamaria.org/>
- Last week the Archdiocese of Detroit announced **52 Sundays**, a family guide to reclaim the Lord’s Day. “52 Sundays is a dynamic guide to help you and your family reclaim every Sunday of the year through prayer, activities, food, and more! It offers simple and insightful ways for your family to spend time together each Sunday, learning more about the Catholic faith and having fun while you’re at it.” Order the book today at 52sundays.com

Here’s a look at our week ahead:

Monday, November 25 Preschool Pow Wow at 10:30 am in the gym, Student Council after school, pierogi delivery, School Committee 6:30 pm

Tuesday, November 26 Preschool Pow Wow at 10:00 am in the gym, Apple Annie’s 3:30 – 9 pm

Wednesday, November 27 Mass at 8:30 am grades K – 8—join us! Thanksgiving break begins at dismissal
NO SCHOOL THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28 – MONDAY, DECEMBER 2—SCHOOL RESUMES, TUESDAY, DEC. 3

Thanksgiving basketball tournament continues Friday, November 29 through Sunday, December 1

LOOKING AHEAD: December 2—No school (staff PD), **December 6**—artwork for Christmas program cover is due, **December 8**—CYO basketball team Mass at 10:30am, Breakfast with Santa 9 am – 12:30pm in the activity center, Ladies Advent Tea 11:30 – 1pm in the social hall, **December 11**—Keep Christ in Christmas posters due, **December 13**—Grades 1 – 8 Christmas program in the activity center at 6:30 pm, **December 16 – 19**—Santa Shop is open! **December 20**—half day dismissal Christmas break begins!

Peace and Blessings!
Mrs. DeGrez