

Ram Review



St. James Catholic School

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December 12, 2018

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 2018

- 12 - 8:30AM Mass Staff - Our Lady of Guadalupe
- 13 -Principal/Pastor Lunch
- 14 - **Free Dress**—for Jog A Thon Reward
- 16 - Third Sunday of Advent
- 18 - Christmas Program 6:30PM Church **No Extended Care after 5:00 PM**
- 19 - 8:30 AM Mass 1st Grade
- 19 - Whole school Christmas Carnival 12:30pm-1:45pm
Free Dress — **NO EXTENDED CARE**
- 23 - Fourth Sunday of Advent
- 20 – Jan 2nd - NO SCHOOL Christmas Break**

January 2019

- 1-New Years Day
- 3-Return to School
- 7 to 25-Testing
- 7 - PEB 6:30 pm
- 9-8:30AM Mass 5th Grade
- 16-8:30AM Mass 4th Grade
- 17-Principal/Pastor Lunch
- 18-Wine Competition Set up
- 19-SIP! Wine Competition
- 21-**NO SCHOOL** Martin Luther King Day
- 22-SAC Meeting 6:00PM
- 23-8:30AM 2nd/3rd Grades
- 25- **Free Dress Day**
- 27-CSW Open House 10:00 AM—2:00 PM
- 27-Catholic Schools Week Masses 9:00AM & 12:00PM
- 30—8:30AM All School Mass
- 30-Progress Reports go home
- 31-CSW Grandparents Day

School wide Learning Expectations

RESPONSIBLE CITIZEN

Ana M	Alexandra E-F	Sophia M-L
Jenessa H	Luke D	Emmanuel C

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATOR

Hope M	Luke S	Mack R
Madyson T	Aaron R	Eduardo B-M

LIFE LONG LEARNER

Eric C	Olive M	Luke S
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FAITHFUL CHRISTIAN

Jack S	Daniel M	Elizabet O
Juan V-B	Grace D	Liam F
Mac M	Eric C	

Snow/Ice School Closures Reminder

For School Closure information, watch to see what McMinnville School District is doing. We do follow their lead. Mrs. Lonergan will send out a School Reach to all families along with an all school email.

Our principal has the authority to close the school for the safety of our staff and students, so a school reach will be sent in that instance.

Christmas Program



Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at 6:30PM in the Church.
Students should be at the school by 6:15PM to get ready.

A reception will follow the program with cookies and punch.



December 19th Carnival Free Dress Day

We will be holding the Christmas Carnival in the gym
12:30 pm ó 1:45 PM.

We will not be doing any individual classroom parties.

Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered!!

Reminder there is NO extended care after 2:00 PM

Pastor and Principal Lunch Winners from November 2018.

Please join Principal Lonergan and
Fr. Walker on December 13th for lunch.

Kindergarten—Emmanuel C
1st Grade— Santiago S
2nd Grade - Andrew C
3rd Grade— Liam Figueroa
4th Grade— Yarena R
5th Grade— Kaden A

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

The staff would like to wish all our St. James Families a very Merry Christmas and a Safe and Happy New Year!



Extended Care Phone Number 503-437-8930. Please call this number during extended care hours to speak with Mrs. Chapman.

Principal's Letter



Dear Saint James School Families,

December Greetings! In this RAM Review message I want to focus on the meaning of Advent. I found the information below at www.catholic.org and thought it was an appropriate synopsis to remind all of us to remember to celebrate this season before Christmas arrives. My hope is that you will review it as a family if you have not yet taken the time to discuss it.

Advent comes from the Latin word meaning "coming." Jesus is coming, and Advent is intended to be a season of preparation for His arrival. While we typically regard Advent as a joyous season, it is also intended to be a period of preparation, much like Lent. Prayer, penance and fasting are appropriate during this season. The purple color associated with Advent is also the color of penance. The faithful should fast during the first two weeks in particular and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The color of the Third Sunday of Advent is rose. This color symbolizes joy and represents the happiness we will experience when Jesus comes again. The Third Sunday is a day of anticipatory celebration. It is formerly called "Gaudete" Sunday; gaudete means "rejoice" in Latin. Finally, Sundays during Advent, just as during Lent, should not be given to fasting, but instead to celebration because we celebrate the resurrection of Our Lord every Sunday. It is important to remember, however, there are no particular rules for how the laity should observe Advent.

Thank you to the Gray Family Foundation for their grant award of \$1,926.00 to fund our fifth grade class attendance at Outdoor school this year. Their generosity will cover the fee for each fifth grader to attend. Outdoor school provides an excellent learning experience for our students to study about the environment first hand.

May the Spirit Be With You!

Sandy Lonergan

HELP ST JAMES SCHOOL WHILE YOU SHOP AND MEET, OR BETTER YET EXCEED YOUR FAMILY OBLIGATION!! IT IS SO CONVENIENT TO ORDER ALL OF YOUR GIFT CARDS AT ONE TIME AND PICK THEM UP AND YOU ARE FINISHED!!!

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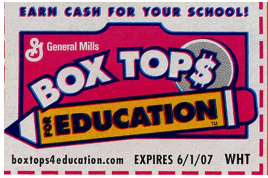


Who doesn't love picking out their own gifts? By giving a scrip gift card to someone you love this holiday, they can do just that while you earn rebates for your organization! Of course, if you have the perfect gift in mind for someone, or you have a list of presents to check off for your kids, just purchase gifts with scrip and save.

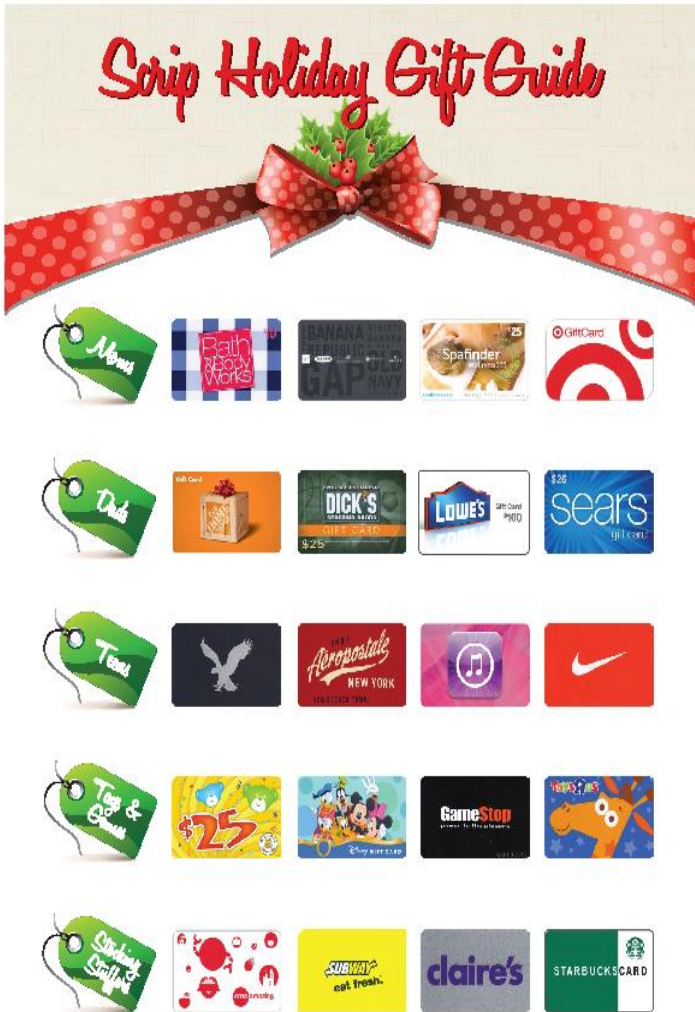
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Fundraising!

Here are some of the ways you can help the school raise money!



We have soda can and plastic bottle recycling center by the back door. Boxtops can be handed in to Mrs. Rolison in the School Office.



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