Catholic Virtue of the Month Gratitude



December 3, 2018

## St. Francis of Assisi School News

#### **Principal's Corner**

Dr. Tricia Barber, Principal

#### Dates to Remember

Dec. 4 .......Christmas Carol at George Mason
Field Trip - Grade 5

Dec. 6 ......Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
Field Trip—Grade 8

Dec. 7 ......Mass 8:45 am

Dec. 10-12...Christmas Bazaar

Dec. 14 ......Parish Festival of Praise 7:30 pm

Dec. 18 ...... Christmas Program 1:00 pm

Dec. 21 ......11:30 am Dismissal

**Christmas Break Begins** 

Dec. 21 ......Daycare Closes 2:00 pm

Jan. 2 .....School Resumes

Kudos to Mrs. Berg, Mrs. Keeven, and Mrs. Hrabsky for coordinating a fun-filled Middle School Holiday Dance. Mrs. Berg displayed her "DJ" abilities by playing many current and seasonal selections. Additional appreciation is extended to our chaperones who assisted with the evening.

December 3rd-7th is designated as "We Care Week" for Catholic Charities. The St. Francis Student Council will make a contribution on behalf of St. Francis School for this most worthy endeavor. Classes will be participating in Advent outreach projects during the month of December. Thank you for your generosity.

The Catholic Virtue for the month of December is Gratitude. Gratitude is an expression of thankfulness. Students are encourage to say "thank you" throughout the school day, do extra acts of kindness, and show gratitude to family members.

"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts....And be thankful." Colossians 3:15

#### **Sports News**

Basketball Results for games played on December 1st-2nd:

3rd boys - won over St. Ann 11-8

4th girls - won over All Saints 26-9

4th boys - lost to St. Timothy 9-15

5th boys - won over Our Lady of Hopes 20-10

6th boys - won over St. Mary 26-9

7th girls - lost to St. Timothy 15-35

7th boys - lost to St. Joseph 31-46

8th girls - won over St Luke 48-6

8th boys - won over St. Thomas More 35-28





### Technology Que

# Computer Science Education Week DECEMBER 3-9, 2018



To take part in the celebration of Computer Science Education Week (December 3<sup>rd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>), all students will be engaged in coding activities during computer classes (K-8) this week. CSED Week promotes and inspires students to learn code at <a href="https://csedweek.org/learn">https://csedweek.org/learn</a>. This is a great opportunity to have students participate in the various coding sites that are available online; <a href="https://codewizardshq.com/coding-websites-for-kids/">https://codewizardshq.com/coding-websites-for-kids/</a>. Students are encouraged to enjoy these activities at home also.

#### Square 1 Art—Last Chance to Order Online!

Today is the last day to order Square 1 Art online. Details for ordering online are include in the Square 1 Art packet.



### Safety Reminder

Per the St. Francis School Handbook:

Due to fire and safety regulations, it is imperative that no cars are parked unattended in front of either the church or school at any time.



## **Annual School Christmas Bazaar**

The school Annual Christmas Bazaar is just around the corner! *What is the Christmas Bazaar?* The Christmas Bazaar allows students to buy Christmas gifts for their loved ones. The Christmas Bazaar committee purchased items at many 'After Christmas' sales last year. The Dining facility will be transformed into a Christmas Shop on December 9th. Each class is assigned a time to shop on either December 10th, 11th or 12th. There will be volunteer elves to wrap the gifts so your children may surprise their family on Christmas. Children love this opportunity to shop on their own!

Our elves are busy, busy! We need elves to help set up the Dining Facility starting Sunday, December 9th (2pm). Please call or email and we will get you started! We are also in need of many volunteers at the Bazaar to make it both fun and successful. Many hands make light work. ALL volunteer elves will be fed a light breakfast and lunch! Please sign up to wrap presents, be personal shoppers to the little ones, and become one of our "elves" to clean up on December 12th. Please access the Sign Up Genius link to review all the volunteer opportunities and sign up:

https://tinyurl.com/sfas-Bazaar2018.

Donations of colored tissue paper, wrapping paper, various size gift bags and tape are needed. These can be dropped off in the school office any time. Please label your donations "Christmas Bazaar".

Your child's purchases will be charged to your FACTS account. Approval forms will be sent home with your child, as in years past, but instead of writing a check or enclosing cash for their purchases, you would authorize a maximum amount for your young shopper. **Only what they spend will be charged to your FACTS account.** 

Thanks, Sharon Gardner