

HAVE A MOST BLESSED ADVENT SEASON!

ADVENT PROJECTS

There are many people in our community in need this Advent Season. Our students at Sacred Heart School are doing their part. Each classroom has picked an Advent Project.

Grade 6—8: They brought in gift bags filled with various items for our parishioners and loved ones who are homebound, sick, or in nursing homes during the Christmas Season.

Grade 4 & 5: These grades have put together care packages for our Seminarians and are collecting items for the Family Life Center.

Grade 3: The third graders are also collecting items for the Family Life Center.

Grade Kq-2: The kindergartners, first, and second graders are having a “**Baby Shower for Jesus.**” Any baby related items may be placed by or on the Jesus Tree in the lobby. All donated items will be presented to Sister Carol from Catholic Charities on Dec. 19 at 9 A.M.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

This year’s program is called “The Present is the Future.” The Christmas Program will be on Thursday, Dec. 15, 2011, at 6:30 P.M. The band will begin at 6:15 P.M. The dress rehearsal will be held the

day before, Wed., Dec. 14, at 1 P.M. This is a school Mass day, so we ask that all the kids wear church clothes, and if you have them, dress clothes in Christmas colors.

What to wear for Christmas Program:

Kq-5 - Wear dress clothes in Christmas colors if you have them.

6 & 7 - Wear a white shirt (**NO T-SHIRT**) with dress pants or skirt.

Grade 8 will have costumes.

YIA

The next couple of dates for the YIA events are Jan. 20 and Feb. 20 and the times are TBA.

THE REASON FOR THE SEASON

St. Anthony and Sacred Heart Parishes are sponsoring a Christmas Breakfast, Sunday, Dec. 11, 8:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. at the Thelma Keller Convention Center. Come in and enjoy a full breakfast of biscuits and gravy, pancakes, eggs, and sausage. You can also check out all the trees in the Winter Wonderland and have a picture taken with SANTA!!!!!! The cost is \$6 Adults, \$4 Children age 3-10, and kids under 2 eat free. All the proceeds will be donated to Catholic Charities. Non-perishable donations will be accepted.

PICTURES

JaFa will be here on December 20 to take pictures of the following for the yearbook:

boys basketball and girls volleyball.

7/8 BOYS BASKETBALL TEAMS

Both the seventh and eighth grade boys basketball teams’ season are under way. They have started on a good note. The following boys are on the team:

Grade 8 Team

Matthew Deters, Nate Gengler, Collin Hecht, Dylan Mills, Christopher Moore, Joe Phillips, David Roedl, and Britton Spindler

Grade 7

TJ Bleeker (mgr), Colton Bushue, Jacob Bushue, Ryan Kruger, Avery Kuhns, Brandon Marschewski, Konnor Pruemmer, Dawson Schafer, Harrison Smith, and Drew Tegeler

IMPORTANT DATES

DECEMBER

- 12 - Boys BBall @ St. Thomas
- 14 - Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal 1 P.M.
- 15 - Christmas Program 6:30 P.M.
- 19 - Boys BBall home vs Palestine
- 20 - Sports pictures, Boys BBall home vs T-Town
- 22 - Last day of school before Christmas Break
- 25 - Christmas Day

JANUARY

- 4 - First day back from break



Dear Parents, Students, and Staff,

I wanted to let you all know that my family and I are going to be moving at the beginning of the year to Fort Wayne, IN. My husband has received a promotion and has already left. My kids will finish out this semester but my last

day will be on Thursday, December 15. It is a bittersweet move for our family because we have come to love Effingham and all the people we have met. I especially will miss seeing the kids everyday. They have made me laugh and cry. We will miss it here and I wanted to say thank you,

for making us feel so welcome. We want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Gorman