

# ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

"CARGILL'S CHRONICLE"

NOVEMBER 18 2011

## "HAPPY THANKSGIVING!"

**REMINDER:** TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> IS A FULL DAY OF SCHOOL (3:15 PM DISMISSAL); SCHOOL IS CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY, NOV. 23<sup>RD</sup> FOR THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY! SJS WILL RESUME CLASSES ON MONDAY, NOV. 28<sup>TH</sup> **with....**

**Santa Secret Shop: HO! HO! HO!** Santa's Secret Shop is coming to St. Joseph's School. The shop will be open November 29<sup>th</sup> and run through December 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 8:30 am -3:00 pm. Santa will be recruiting elves to assist the students shopping. Your child will bring home a price list along with the gift list planner envelope next week. The envelope along with the student's money should be brought back into school on the day your child will shop. Please see the attached flyer for **Poster Contest directions and information.** Any questions please contact Nancy Lisk or Beth Lu.

**Gift Cards make the perfect Christmas gifts!** The SJS PTO Store Certificate Program allows you to conveniently shop while you are supporting our school. We carry Bloom, Giant, Safeway, Shoppers' and Whole Foods cards for groceries; Exxon/Mobile, Shell, Sheetz and Sunoco cards for gas; Bed, Bath and Beyond, Disney, Kohl's, Macy's, Target, TJ Maxx/Home Goods and Wal-Mart for shopping and Bath & Body Works, Barnes & Noble, Disney, Dick's, Home Depot, Lowe's and Starbucks for gift-giving! We have many of your favorite restaurants, from Applebee's to Taco Bell to make the holidays easier. Local favorites include The Breeze and The Catholic Shop. Check out the complete list at [ShopWithScrip.com](http://ShopWithScrip.com) (SJS code 41376CE34427) or pick up a flier in back of church.

### **C IS FOR COOKIE!**

And they were very, very good for SJS! Thank you to all the generous families who participated in our Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie Dough fundraiser! We had a record number of sellers this year and your kindness will benefit our SJS students. Every order is deeply appreciated. I would like to especially thank the following students who sold 15 or more tubs of cookie dough: Lauren (4G) & Nicholas (7B) Gambino, Sophia Henderson (5R), Melissa Jun (7B), Vincent (5B) & Sophia (7B) Marra, Ana (4G) & David (6G) Rother, Mallory St. Arnold (3R), and Cora (KW) & Lillian (2G) Tebbe. This year's top seller was Ameila Saab (2G) who sold 92 tubs of dough!! Many thanks to everyone who participated! The dough should be arriving in 2-3 weeks; please watch for an email for pick-up details. Happy Baking to All!!

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE "Gift of Song" Christmas Concert, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM in the Church. See flyer for details!**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>:** 9:30 Mass; Our First Grade students performed their Thanksgiving Program in the Gym, a big thank you to our teachers, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Valcicak (instructional aide) and Mrs. Davis (music teacher), for preparing our students.

ALSO:

Kindly remember, tonight is the St. Joseph Parish Appreciation Dinner being held in the Parish Hall.

**TO OUR 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PARENTS:** As our 8<sup>th</sup> graders begin to examine options for high school; please be sure to give the school office a "signed" Record Release Form for their choice of high schools. School transcripts cannot be released without signed forms. First transcript released is free and any additional transcripts must be accompanied by a \$10.00 check. Thank you!

**CYO BASKETBALL TIP-OFF WEEKEND:** All are welcome! Please see the attached flyer for a schedule of events for the tournament on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> in the SJS Gym.

### **EAGLE SCOUT BIKE COLLECTION A HUGE SUCCESS!**

With the help of our families and parishioners, Matt Lee, was able to collect over 100 bikes. Additionally, \$1,283 was donated to ship the bikes from Herndon, VA to Latin American and African countries. Thank you for all your support!

ALSO:

The NJHS collected about 150 coats for the Reston Interfaith coat collection. A big thank you to all our families that donated coats and to the following students who helped deliver and hang the coats: Ellie Matney, Noah Patrick, Will Smith, Maddie Kulik, Jack Grasmeyer, Rachel Green, and Caitlin Becker.

**CAR SAFETY ISSUE:** Please remember that when driving to and from SJS, many of the vehicles that are driving on the local roads have *SJS stickers* on the vehicles. When you put an *SJS sticker* on your car, you are representing SJS. Please drive carefully, follow speed signs and obey the laws. "You" are an ambassador of our school and your actions are a reflection of us.



## HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY!