



Tiger Connection

Saint Henry School

Wednesday, December 9, 2009

Principal's Message

Dear Parents:

To prepare for this Saturday's feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the children, faculty, and staff have been taking turns praying a decade of the Rosary each day leading up to December 12th. This beautiful feast of Patroness of the Americas helps to prepare us for the coming of the Lord at Christmas. Mary appeared to Saint Juan Diego as an expectant Mother. Here are details of that appearance (sources - catholic.org and sancta.org) - "In 1531 our Lady appeared to Saint Juan Diego, a humble Native American at Tepeyac, on a hill northwest of what is now Mexico City. She made a request for a church to be built on the site and submitted her wish to the local Bishop through Saint Juan Diego.

The Bishop-Elect told Saint Juan Diego that he would consider the request of the Lady and told him to ask the Lady to provide a sign as proof of who she was. Mary told Juan Diego to go to the top of the hill and cut the flowers that were growing there and bring them back to her. Juan obeyed and went to the top of the hill where he found a full bloom of Castilian roses, even though it was past the time for flowers. He put the roses in his tilma (poncho-like cape made of cactus fiber), and carried them back to Mary.

Juan then took the roses back to the Bishop as a sign from our Lady, but when he opened his tilma it was not the beautiful roses that caused the Bishop to fall to his knees. It was the picture of the Blessed Virgin Mary precisely as Juan had described her imprinted on his tilma."

The image on the tilma can still be seen in Mexico after 400 years! Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us!

Sincerely in Christ,

Sister Ann Hyacinth, O.P.
Principal



December 18th is our last day of school before Christmas vacation. It is an 11:30 dismissal. We return to school on January 4th.

Save the Date – February 5th is our Faith Rally. Check your calendar. We will be soliciting volunteers after the first of the year!

The Spirit of Saint Henry

Thank you for your generous support of our First Friday Collection for the Ladies of Charity's baskets for the needy. We had a wonderful response from our families and gave the 700 pounds promised to the Ladies of Charity. It is a reminder of the spirit of our patron the good King Saint Henry who took care of those in need with a kind and generous heart. May we continue to desire a heart of service to help those who are less fortunate.

Christmas Concert

The Christmas Concert is Wednesday, December 9th at 7:00 pm. Come and join us for festive music that will put you in the spirit of Christmas. We are proud of the hard work that the students have put into this concert.

Current Family Registration 2010-2011

Current family registration for the 2010-2011 school year will be coming up the week of January 11th. Keep looking in the Tiger Connection for more information.

Kindergarten Program

The Kindergarten Christmas program will be Friday, December 11th at 8:30 a.m. in the dining hall. Kindergarteners will be dismissed immediately following the program.

Exams

Exams for 6th-8th grade will begin the week of December 14th. Please make sure your child has plenty of sleep and a good breakfast.

Loveless Café

The 8th graders will be going to the Loveless Café for their Christmas Breakfast on December 18th at 9:00 a.m..

Forensics Team

The Forensic team placed 1st by a wide margin this past Friday at the Christ the King Tournament. This award represents all the hard work by every member of the team. Way to Go!

The following students placed:

Becca Link	Katherine Glasser
Dana Bradley	Addie Perkerson
Elliot Gild	Grace Roushdi
Elizabeth Hoots	Daniel Wesley
Hannah Sizemore	

Christmas Gift Giving

All gifts for the Parish and School Christmas Gift Giving Project need to be returned to school by this Friday, December 11. Remember, that gifts are to be labeled with the agency's name and unwrapped.

Thank you for your generosity.

All School Mass

All School Mass will be Friday, December 18th instead of Wednesday. We will celebrate Mass as a community before we leave for the Christmas break.

Children of Mary

The December meeting of the Children of Mary will be on December 10th from 3:00 until 4:30.

Lost & Found

Our lost & found bin is overflowing! Parents please feel free to come in and look for lost items. All lost and found items will be donated to goodwill on Friday, December 11th.

Children's Participation at the Christmas Vigil

At the beginning of the 4:00 Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve there will be an opportunity for children to take part in a procession of angels and shepherds followed by singing Silent Night. Those wishing to take part in this need to be **age 4** or older and attend the practice at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, December 21st in the Church. Be prepared to provide your own angel or shepherd costumes. For questions, call Paula Proctor in the Church office.

Witness of the week

Witness of the week for Pre-K-4th grade is Oliver Gould in Mrs. Millican's class. Oliver showed his classmates how important it is to pray. He and a few classmates were going to miss the prayer before lunch so Oliver and his classmates said their prayer while walking in the hall. Witness of the week for 5th – 8th grade is Alex Hoang in Mrs. Griffith's class. Alex is a person who is always pleasant, respectful, and kind to all. Alex exemplifies what God expects from all of us.

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition

Free throw competition is Thursday, December 10th in the Saint Henry's gym from 3pm-5pm. Ages 10-14. Bring your best game and a copy of your birth certificate.

Thank You

To Amy Hostettler, Beth Higgins, and Jane Bray for giving of their time each week to volunteer to copy office and classroom materials.

To Elizabeth Wilson and all her many helpers for their hard work with the Spirit Shop.

To Home & School for all their hard work and wonderful support to the school.

Calendar items

January 1 – Solemnity of Mary Mother of God – A holy day of obligation. Check your parish bulletin for Mass times.

January 4 – School Resumes

January 12 – Report cards sent home via Tuesday Folders



Saint Henry School Gift Giving

With Christmas fast approaching, most of us are beginning to think about gift giving. Each year Home and School has attempted to help facilitate parents' desire to give gifts to the teachers and staff that touch the children's lives each day. A few years ago Home and School offered to organize a monetary donation for these dedicated individuals. Our hope is to aid parents and on a practical side alleviate teachers from receiving 20 coffee mugs, 20 candles etc... We would like to offer you two opportunities to make a monetary donation on behalf of our students. First, the room mothers will be collecting for individual classroom teachers and assistants. Second, the Home and School officers will be collecting funds to be distributed among the specialty teachers and staff. Both collections are optional as you may still choose to give an individual gift. Individual names, not amounts, will be listed on the cards for the group gift. The Home and School collection money can be sent to the school office marked "Christmas Collection". Room mothers will be making arrangements to collect the money for the individual teachers outside of the classroom. The deadline for both collections is December 16.

Thank you,
Home and School Association

January

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
					1 Solemnity of Mary – Holy Day - No School	2
3	4 Day 1 School Resumes 2:00 Dismissal	5 Day 2	6 Day 3 8:00 Mass 8B	7 Day 4	8 Day 5 End of 2 nd quarter	9
10	11 Day 6 2:00 Dismissal 7:00 Confirmation Parent Mtg.	12 Day 1 Report Cards Home	13 Day 2 8:00 Mass 8S	14 Day 3 4 th -8 th Spelling Bee	15 Day 4	16
			Current Family Registration			
17	18 Martin Luther King's Birthday – No School	19 Day 5	20 Day 6 8:00 Mass 8Sr	21 Day 1	22 Day 2	23
			Current Family Registration			
24	25 Day 3 2:00 Dismissal	26 Day 4	27 Day 5 8:00 Mass 3B	28 Day 6 Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas, O.P. Confirmation Retreat	29 Day 1	30
			Kindergarten Registration			
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Catholic Schools Week	Through February 5					

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January Cafeteria Calendar

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4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
Pizza Cheese or Pepperoni	Taco w/ lettuce Cheese & Salsa	Hamburger or Cheeseburger French Fries	Grilled Chicken Sandwich Mac & Cheese	Grilled Cheese, Tuna, PB&J Pineapple cup
Green Beans	Baked Beans	Jello Cup	Green Peas	Smiley Potato
Peach Cup	Orange Wedge	Peaches	Oranges	Chocolate Chip Cookie
Yellow Cake	Cinnamon Roll	Fresh Veg.	Milk or Water	Fresh Veg.
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11th	12th	13th	14th	15th
Pizza Cheese or Pepperoni	Spaghetti w/ meat sauce Tossed Salad	Hamburger or Cheeseburger French Fries	Hot Dog Buttered Corn	Sub. Sandwich w/ turkey Ham, Bologna and Cheese
Tossed Salad	Applesauce	Jello Cup	Fruit Cup	Potato Chips
Peach Cup	Hot Rolls	Peaches	Pudding Cup	Fresh Fruit
Yellow Cake	Milk or Water	Fresh Veg.	Fresh Veg.	Milk or Water
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18th	19th	20th	21st	22nd
NO SCHOOL	Pizza Cheese or Pepperoni	Hamburger or Cheeseburger French Fries	Grilled Chicken Sandwich Mac & Cheese	Grilled Cheese, Tuna, PB&J Pineapple cup
	Green Beans	Jello Cup	Green Peas	Soup
	Peach Cup	Peaches	Oranges	Chocolate Chip Cookie
	Yellow Cake	Fresh Veg.	Milk or Water	Fresh Veg.
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