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Dear families:

This Sunday starts the third week of Advent; Rose vestments will be worn to emphasize our JOY that Christmas is near, and we also light the rose colored candle "Shepherds Candle" on our Advent wreath to again remind us of the JOY the world experienced at the coming birth of Jesus. As Christmas draws near, the Church emphasizes the JOY which should be in our hearts over the birth of our Savior and all that means for us.

Staff and students are encouraged to wear "pink" or "rose" colors on Monday signifying the JOY of the Season. On behalf of the staff and students at Assumption Catholic School, I extend our warmest greetings for a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year and a pray your hearts will be filled with JOY.

ATHLETIC COMMITTEE NEWS:

- Our last BBB games of the season will be home on Monday, 12/14 against Chippewa Falls McDonell. Tickets and masks required. 5th grade boys @ 5:00. Doors will open at 4:30 and locked at 5:15 6th grade boys @ 6:00. Doors will open—Approx. 5:50 and lock 6:15. 7th grade boys @ 7:00. Doors open approx. 6:50 and will lock at 7:15. Tickets are enclosed.
- All 4th-8th girls who are not in quarantine, or self-quarantining, please join us at the b-ball drills & skills camp Saturday, December 19th at the Durand Campus. Bring basketball shoes, face mask & water bottle.
- God willing, Girls Basketball will begin on Monday, January 4th for the 6-8 grade girls and on Tuesday, January 5th for grades 4-5.
- Looking ahead to the GBB Season, we may need to move some numbers around in grades 5 and 6 for some games. Please see the enclosed form for you to fill out and return.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS:

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We sure appreciate the support you have given us as we navigate our way through this Covid time to *Share the Good News of our Saviors Birth* via our Christmas programs.

K-3rd grade program – Lima Campus – Sunday, December 13th at 1:00 (tickets required)

• This program will not be live streamed but will be taped on Wednesday, December 16th. When it is complete we will post it on our webpage and will send out a password to enable you and your extended family to view.

4K - Pancakes, Parents and Presents - Durand Campus, Wednesday, December 16th - 8:30

• This program will also be taped and Mrs. Tulip will send to the families.



4-8 grade Live Nativity and Carols – Durand Campus - Thursday, December 17th at 7:00



We are moving the Durand concert, outside this year which will include a live Nativity! The 8th grade students are helping to organize and will be narrating the Nativity story as the 4th grade students, dressed in character, act out the arrival of our Savior. The choir will sing, **you** will be invited to join in caroling, and the 8th grade class will also be serving popcorn and hot chocolate during the evening. All are welcome – no occupancy limits!!!

You are invited to bring lawn chairs to watch outside, park and watch from your cars, or drive through the designated area to see the nativity and animals. The event will be set up along the side of the church on the grassy area facing the school. Similar to our school day, please enter the driveway near the school and exit via the driveway near the church. We are very excited about this and hope to see you all there!

*We will be taping our traditional concert and uploading to our webpage. We'll keep you posted!

A big shout out to our "sound guy", Jason Brunner, for helping us bring sound to all of our events! To Mr. Jim Whitwam for his set up assistance and to the Joel and Carrie Brunner family for finding the animals! THANK YOU!

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:

Christmas Eve Mass times:

4:00 p.m. @ St. Mary's

Christmas Day Mass times:

9:00 a.m. @ Holy Rosary



BOOK FAIR:



Thank you to all for your help and support of our Book Fair. Totals are not in yet. Our scholastic dollars have replaced many books in our libraries and have purchased leveled readers for our teachers to use. Thank you to Ms. Dierauer for facilitating this annual event.

FORENSICS (4N6) NEWS:

The season will look different this year, but we are moving forward and students are already working on their pieces. The candy bars will be distributed next week for the students to start selling!

DECEMBER SERVICE PROJECT:



We will be paying it forward with \$350.00 worth of SCRIP cards for "*Make a Difference Day*" at McDonalds next week! Wow, thank you for your generosity. We hope we bring joy to several drive through customers, I know they will be appreciative. Thank you for your help with this.

MENU, CALENDAR AND TUITION STATEMENTS:

Enclosed please find the January lunch menu, calendar along with your tuition statements. Last day to pay tuition for 2020 tax credit is Thursday, December 31st.



<u>\$CRIP:</u> Use \$CRIP for holiday gift giving and reduce your tuition at the same time. Are you incorporating GIFT CARDS in your Christmas shopping? Now is the time to buy SCRIP...give a gift and reduce your tuition all in one stop! Please note that if you order a physical card, it may take a week to arrive, so plan ahead!

REVISED SCHOOL CALENDAR:

Just a reminder, there <u>will NOT</u> be school on Monday, December 21st and Tuesday, December 22nd. Enjoy the extra time to rest your soul and prepare for Jesus' coming.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY:

The solemnity of Mary is a Holy Day; Mass will be offered on:

- Thursday, December 31st at 4:00 p.m.@ St. Mary's
- Tuesday, January 1st at 8:30 a.m. @ Holy Rosary and 10:30 a.m. @ Sacred Heart

All in celebration of Mary's motherhood of Jesus.

CALENDAR REMINDERS AND UPDATES ARE ON THE BACK OF THE SCRIP FORM



PLEASE PRAY:

- That we like Mary and Joseph will trust in God and find courage to follow His plan
- That we stay focused on our greatest gift at Christmas our Savior's birth.

Thank you for choosing Assumption Catholic School! Our faculty and staff are committed to working with you to fulfill our mission of *Faith*• *Academics* • *Service*

With Blessings of Peace and Joy and a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

Mrs. Mary Lansing

Principal



Calendar Reminders and Updates through January 8th			
Sunday	12/13	Third Sunday of Advent K-3 rd Grade Christmas Program at Lima Campus	1:00 p.m.
Monday	12/14	Last day of BOOKFAIR - Open hours 4/5 BBB Home vs McDonell 6 BBB Home vs McDonell 7 BBB Home vs McDonell	3:30-4:00 5:00 6:00 7:00
Tuesday	12/15	School Mass at St. Mary's Grades 4/5 Confession after Mass	8:30 a.m.
Wednesday	12/16	4K Pancakes, Parents & Presents (gymnasium)	8:30 a.m.
Thursday	12/17	School Mass at Holy Rosary Grade 3 Confessions after Mass Live Nativity/Gr 4-8 Concert and Caroling	8:30 a.m. 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Friday	12/18	Grades 7/8 Confessions	8:30 a.m.
Saturday	12/19	Grade 4-8 Girls Basketball Skills and Drills	9:00-11:00
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Sunday	12/20	Fourth Sunday of Advent	
Thursday	12/24	Christmas Eve Vigil Masses 4:00 p.m. at St. Mary's 6:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart	
Friday	12/25	Christmas Mass at Holy Rosary	9:00 a.m.
Thursday	12/31	Solemnity of Mary Vigil Mass @ St. Mary's	4:00 p.m.
Friday	1/1	Solemnity: Mary Mother of God – Mass @ Holy Rosary Mass @ Sacred Heart	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Monday	1/4	Classes Resume 6-8 Girls Basketball practice begins	3:30 & 5:30
Tuesday	1/5	School Mass @ St Mary's Blessing of Doors after Mass at St. Mary's 4/5 Girls Basketball practice begins	8:30 a.m. 3:30
Wednesday	1/6	Athletic Meeting-Durand Campus	6:00
Thursday	1/7	School Mass @ Holy Rosary Blessing of Doors after Mass at Holy Rosary	8:30 a.m.