#### WEEKEND UPDATE

#### **DECEMBER 8, 2017**

# PJP2A





The Live Nativity

## Preparing for Christmas

We had another great week at the Academy! Our students have been working very hard in preparation for our upcoming Christmas program, and we are excited to perform in less than

two weeks! We also had a Parent-Teacher Organization meeting on Tuesday, and our Live Nativity event this Friday. Thank you to everyone for your incredible support and participation in the many events, especially during this busy time of the year. We encourage you to spend time with your children in prayer this advent season as we recall Christ's birth and look in hope to His second coming.

## **SPIRIT DAY**

This coming **Wednesday, December 13,** will be our school Christmas spirit day! Students may dress in anything appropriate which is Christmas-themed. In the spirit of the season, there is no charge for participating in this month's spirit day. We will also be having an **ugly sweater contest**, so be sure to start searching for that unsightly Christmas sweater.



## **CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE**

Our annual school Christmas performance is scheduled for **Thursday, December 21, at 7:00 p.m.** Students will need to arrive by 6:30 p.m. on the performance night, and they should go to their classroom to be supervised by their teacher.

Also, this year, we are asking that students **return** to their classroom directly after the performance and be picked up by their parents from this location. This new procedure is for security so that we can be sure all students are safely picked up by their designated parent/guardian.

## News

#### Mark Your Calendars:

December 11

- Life Choices
- Donations Due
- Hot Lunch

**December 13** -Christmas Spirit Day

December 15 - Mass

December 18 - Hot Lunch

December 21 -Christmas Play (7:00 p.m.)

December 25 - January 8 - Christmas Break

## VIRTUE OF THE WEEK: Review

During the month of December, our assemblies will be focused on preparing for the upcoming Christmas performance. Also, we will be remembering the season of Advent in our prayer period.

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The first grade class made Bishop Berg an advent wreath and is posing with the "Flat Bishop."

## PARENT-TEACHER ORGANIZATION MEETING

Thank you to everyone who made it out to our last PTO meeting! In addition to reviewing other business, we began the discussion for our spring gala dinner and auction which is scheduled for Saturday, March 10, at the Montrose Pavilion. If you are interested in helping with this event (one of the school's largest fundraisers of the year), please be sure to come to our next PTO meeting on Tuesday, January 9. You can also contact the school office, and we will direct you in ways you can be involved.

## **STUDENT BAPTISM**

During our Mass on Friday, December 15, we will have the special opportunity to witness one of our students receive the sacraments of baptism, confirmation, and his First Holy Communion. We wish to congratulate Aiden Dispennette on this special occasion, and we hope you'll be able to join us for this Mass celebration.

## SCHOOL DAYS COMPLETED: 75

## **CHRISTMAS SERVICE PROJECT**

Thank you for everyone's support of the Life Choices Pregnancy Center Christmas service project!

Please remember that <u>donations for Life Choices must</u> <u>be brought to the school by this **Monday, December 11.**</u>

Thank you again for your support - Your contribution is making a real difference for families in need!

## **HOT LUNCHES**

We are happy to announce that Shawna Bernier, the "Olive Juice" caterer, will start doing **hot lunches** for our students! Thank you to the parents who recommended her! The first two lunches she is doing will be on Monday, December 11, and Monday, December 18. You can pay by cash, check, or credit card (via PayPal). Credit card payments will go through Shawna, but you may drop off checks to her at our school office. We have sent home order forms in the Wednesday folders, and we ask that you submit your lunch order by the Friday prior. (If you missed it - turn it in on Monday morning!)

## **CHRISTMAS STAGE DECORATING**

Please note: We are currently looking for some refrigerator-sized boxes to use for our Christmas play backdrops. If you have access to any boxes please drop them off at the school as soon as possible.

We will be decorating our Christmas stage for our Christmas program on **Tuesday, December 19**, starting at **5:00 p.m.** We could use several helpers to assist us as we get our stage performance ready for December 21. No sign-up is required, but if possible, let Mr. Gordon know that you'd like to help out. Thank you for your consideration and support!

## **SCHOOL DAYS REMAINING: 97**

**Quote of the Week:** "If we turn to Sacred Scripture we will see that humility is absolutely necessary when we are making ready to listen to God." - St. Josemaria Escriva

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