



SMA Daily Bulletin December 6, 2018 Day 6

What's the **GOOD NEWS**... It is **ADVENT**! For 4 weeks we WAIT, PREPARE, HOPE and LOVE. The candles (4 represents each week of Advent) , the wreath (represents God's endless love) and the blueish purple and pink colors (connected to preparation and joy) are ALL part of the common Advent traditions. You will find them in the school office and the Holy Names Chapel. Now that the play is finished, several sports teams are done and before mid-years, why not stop by the Chapel for a few minutes of quiet. Let's ask ourselves, what am I doing to get myself ready this Advent?

Charism Corner.... A year ago, the SNJM community around the world; Sisters, Associates and all collaborators were beginning to celebrate the 175th Anniversary of the Congregation. Where does a year go? This Friday we will gather to celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception as a school. Why? Well, it is the feast that is about Mary's beginning and Mary is the Patroness of our School. It also marks the date of when the SNJM Congregation was formally established. This feast day **IS** a big deal for all of us. So when you are enjoying your day off on Monday by sleeping in, shopping, baking or whatever else, take a minute to say, "Thank you God for Mary"

Immaculate Conception Mass on Friday, December 7th in Alumnae Hall at 8:35 a.m.
Taizé Morning Prayer will resume on December 12

Remembering the Women December 6th is National Violence Against Women Day in Canada. This day started because of a mass shooting of women engineering students in Montreal in 1989. This day remembers them, and the many other women, who are victims of violence and whose lives have been ended tragically. Following up from the HRT Red Ribbon campaign last week, we also include the many missing and murdered Indigenous women on this day. Our prayer TODAY will be in solidarity with all the other people and organizations who will be praying for an end to violence, particularly against women.

Today is the "6th" of the Month - SNJM Prayer Pal day! Have you connected with your Prayer Pal lately? Drop her an email for Advent, send her a card for Christmas or arrange for a visit in person or via technology.

FROM THE SCHOOL:

Advent Reminder: Each morning we will be **Discovering Our Story** as school-wide prayer is led. We will have 2 reps from the assigned classes that day lead the prayer and add the symbol to our Jesse tree – our tree that tells the story of faith. If it is your assigned day, please remember to send your rep to the school office by 8:30 that day

GIFT BAG ASSEMBLY FOR ALL STUDENTS:

Remember to bring in items for the Gift Bag Assembly this Friday! Gift bags will be given out this Sunday at Immaculate Conception Drop In so no bags can be brought in after Friday. Anyone interested in helping give out the gift bags on Sunday please see Ms. Bohonos today in room 307 for information.

CAMPUS MINISTRY:

Harvest Thursday: TODAY, 5 students from Mr. Chell's 11-1 religion class will be serving in our community.



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GRADE 9 Special!! AMS@SMA WEDNESDAY DEC 12

West Broadway Youth Outreach needs our help on Wednesday, December 12th at their Homework Club "Holiday Shopping" from 4:30 - 6:30 PM

Each Homework Club visit is equivalent to "Homework Club Bucks". Youth who participate in our Homework Club earn Homework Club bucks which they can use towards "buying" gifts for their family/friends for the holidays. Our Homework Club gift shop has a variety of items (stuffed animals, dishes/cookware, paintings, jewelry, winter gear etc.) which are all donated items. Once the youth have completed their shopping, we require volunteers to assist with the wrapping! This special AMS@SMA will be for grade 9's only. Please sign up outside the Campus Ministry Office

Club L.E.M.O.N: Tuesday, December 11th

Calling all grade 7 and 8's! Please join us in the MPR at 12:35. We are making Christmas cards for the people who live at Residence Despins. This is an assisted living Home where many of our Sisters of the Holy Names live. Bring your lunch and come help spread some Christmas Cheer!

LIBRARY NEWS - I LOVE TO READ:

We are gearing up for "I Love to Read" activities for February. We are having a planning meeting at 1 pm on Friday, Dec. 7 to go over what we would like to do. All are welcome to join. If you have questions, please see Ms. Chongva.

CALLING ALL FUTURE TRAILBLAZERS, FUTURE LEADERS AND DRAMA FANS...

The Nellie McClung Foundation is looking for volunteers for the *Let Them Howl* play on January 20, at the Burton Cummings Theatre. They are NOT looking for actors as it is a reading play. So no lines to memorize, no acting experience needed and only three rehearsals. If you are interested, please contact:

The Nellie McClung Foundation Chair Doris Mae Oulton (204) 781-7164 or dmoulton@mymts.net



UNIFORM PANTS:

Uniform Pants available for Winter Uniform

Prepaid only available for order. Cost is \$38 plus any taxes applicable. Available at Tartan Shop, Fridays 12:30pm-1:30 pm. Order deadline for this school year is Friday, December 14.

If any students have previously expressed an interest, or would like to place an order for pants, please visit the uniform shop to pre-pay. January delivery is anticipated.

SERVICE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES:

THE WELCOME HOME NEEDS YOUR HELP AT THEIR ANNUAL GIFT WRAPPING BEE:

Sunday, December 9th at 3 - 5:30pm Supper is provided! St. Andrew's Church Basement 160 Euclid Avenue Please use Maple Street Entrance Please bring wrapping paper, tape, scissors, etc. Contact Liz at rymc SSR@gmail.com or call/text 431-999-8969 These gifts will be distributed at The Welcome Home Children's Christmas Party.

GR 10-12 STUDENTS:

Serving volunteers are needed for the Gonzaga Middle School Annual Christmas Dinner And Concert at Immaculate Conception Parish Hall on Wednesday, December 12 from 4:15-7:30 pm. Please sign up in Mrs. Yunyk's office.



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MULVEY SCHOOL is looking for Music and Dance students who would like to be of service. If you play piano and are able to tutor younger students with lessons after school, please see the service learning board by Sr. Michelle's office for contact information.

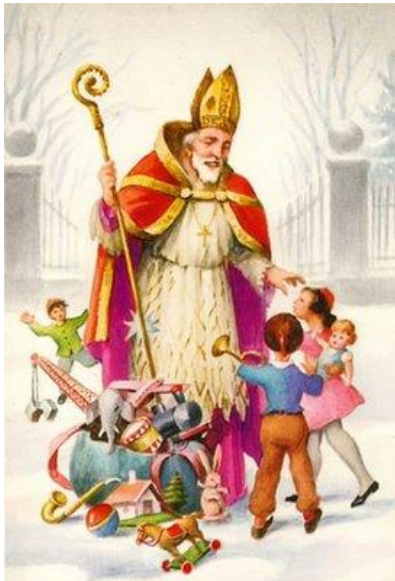
FROM THE WORLD OF SPORTS:

GRADE 7 AND 8 BASKETBALL TRYOUTS:

Friday, December 7th 3:30-5:30

Monday, December 10th 3:30-5:30

Wednesday, December 12th 3:30-5:30



Prayer to St. Nicholas

O good St. Nicholas, you who are the joy of the children, put in my heart the spirit of childhood, which the gospel speaks, and teach me to seed happiness around me.
You, whose feast prepares us for Christmas, open my faith to the mystery of God made man.
You, good bishop and shepherd, help me to find my place in the Church and inspire the Church to be faithful to the gospel.
O good Saint Nicholas, patron of children, sailors and the helpless, watch over those who pray to Jesus, your Lord and theirs, as well as over those who humble themselves before you.
Bring us all in reverence to the Holy Child of Bethlehem, when true joy and peace are found.
Amen.



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