



PEOPLE OF JOY



SMA Daily Bulletin

December 7, 2017 Day 1

What's the **GOOD NEWS**...Happy New Liturgical Year! Our Advent pilgrimage has begun. We have prepared ourselves last week for this season and now it is time to get into the game. A reminder to all classes that you will get a day on the Advent Calendar that Special Events is organizing. When we choose to reach out to others, take time for some quiet and get our inner house ready for our guest at Christmas – then we are living Advent. Let us pray that we can be faithful to ADVENT though we are pulled into Christmas mode all around. Let's fill our crib with straw for the Christ Child. Blessings on our Advent journey!

CHARISM CORNER...Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary in Canada began in 1843. However, they were officially established on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception – December 8th 1844. On that day the three novices, took their vows in the Chapel in the Longueuil convent. Sr. Marie -Rose was named the first Superior of the Congregation. It was very clear though, that these faith-filled women, recognized Mary as their actual first superior who watched over and guided the beginnings and growth of the congregation. Today, we continue to recognize the person of Mary at SMA, our SNJM school. So when you are enjoying December 8th, remember to say, "Thank you God, for the gift of Mary".

Taizé prayer will resume on December 13

Advent Come and Go Reconciliation on Tuesday, December 12th from 12:15-2 p.m. in Holy Names Chapel. We welcome Fr. Sam and Fr. Mark

FROM THE SCHOOL:

CAMPUS MINISTRY:

Club L.E.M.O.N: Monday, December 11:

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!

CINDERELLA SCRIPTS:

All Cinderella scripts need to be returned to Ms. Dell'Acqua directly in the DLAB ASAP! If the script isn't returned today you will be charged the \$30 deposit. Thank You!

ST. MARY'S ACADEMY PARENTS' GUILD 2017 CASH LOTTERY:

All raffle tickets, sold and unsold, with monies, must be returned by Wednesday, December 13th
The draw will be made on Friday, December 22nd at the assembly.

QUEBEC TRIP:

There will be an important but quick QB trip meeting Thursday Dec. 7 at 12:35 for some important information.



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PEER TUTORS:

Thank you for sending your November bills. If you have not emailed your bill for November, this is a reminder to do so ASAP. Please see Ms. DL or Ms. BH in Room 311 if you have any questions.

FROM THE CORNERSTORE:

NEW Prepaid Tea and Hot Chocolate Cards – get 6 drinks for the price of 5! \$10 Tea Card and \$7.50 Hot Chocolate Card available at the Corner Store. Kernels Popcorn on sale this week for \$1 while it lasts. Personalized SMA Grad Pillows are now available just for the Class of 2018. Order forms available from Ms. Zirino (Room 203) or the Corner Store.

CAREERS:

Grade 11 & 12 students should stay up to date with post-secondary info and awards by accessing <https://lfennell2.wixsite.com/mysite>

RED RIVER COLLEGE:

Tuesday, Dec 12th Red River Collegiate will be presenting from 1:00-1:35 in the Old Aud. Consider studying nursing, engineering, business, aviation, a skilled trade and so much more at RR!

BIOGENIUS SCIENCE FAIR:

This is no ordinary science fair. How would you like to carry out groundbreaking research projects in the field of biotechnology? Those selected by bio science Canada are matched with local mentors, giving students hands-on research experience in a professional lab setting. Participants compile their results and present their findings at regional competitions. This experience has proven vastly influential in mapping future careers – in some cases paving the way for studies in Ivy League schools and exciting internships in the biotech industry. Do you have an idea that can help change the world? Go to: <https://biogenius.ca/apply/>

STEAM Horizon

Are you often described as a leader, an achiever, or an innovator? Do you have limitless drive, ambition, and determination? If so, there's an opportunity to receive a \$25,000 prize towards your post-secondary education.

Go to: <https://steamhorizonawards.ca/>

Terry Fox Humanitarian Award

\$28,000 for university bound individuals who demonstrate compassion and altruistic characteristics, with an intention to improve the lives of others and human welfare overall. Terry Fox Scholars are doers with the ability to inspire and make a positive impact on the lives of others. Go to: <http://terryfoxawards.ca/> or see Ms Fennell for further details

Manitoba Council for Exceptional Children Awards

Deadline: January 9th, 2018 \$750 for students pursuing a career directly related to working with persons with exceptionalities. Go to: <http://www.manitobacec.ca/scholarships.htm>

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Gonzaga Middle School is looking for volunteers to serve at their upcoming Christmas Family Dinner and Concert on Wednesday December 20 3:45 – 6:30 at the Immaculate Conception Drop In Centre. If interested, please sign up on the poster by Mrs. Swayzie's office.

SMA is proud and honored to be the host site for the **Tom Jackson Christmas 150 Concert** on Thursday evening December 7th If you would like to help at this event please sign up outside of Sr. Michelle's office in the tower (between floor 2 and 3). Time commitment is 5:30-8:30pm. This is a once in a life time opportunity to be a part of this event hosting an outstanding Actor, Singer, Musician and Philanthropist. ALL proceeds from this concert go to Winnipeg Harvest.



FROM THE WORLD OF SPORTS:

GRADE 7 & 8 BASKETBALL:

Grade 7 and 8 basketball tryouts will be on December 7th from 3:30-5:30

All students in grade 7 and 8 interested in playing basketball should be there!

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