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FOCUS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER: ADVENT



LIVING ADVENT – INVITATION TO PRAYER

We invite you to prayerfully enter into the Advent Season by asking God, the Father, to open your heart and mind to His presence as you wait in joyful hope for the coming of Our Lord, Jesus Christ.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Lord God, throughout this Advent Season help us to feel Your presence in our daily lives. Guide us, Father, Son and Spirit, to grow in love and friendship with You as we prepare our hearts and minds to celebrate Christmas, the day of Your birth.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.


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NEWS FROM THE PEWS

School Mass: Our next school Mass will be held on Thursday, December 13th in our school gym. All parents are welcome to attend this beautiful celebration.

ADVENT FAMILY MASS

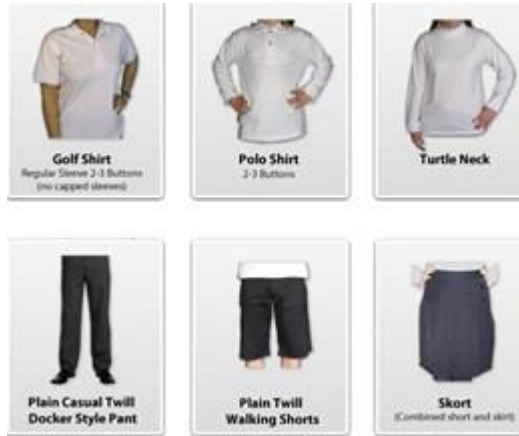
We will be participating in a school Advent Family Mass on Tuesday December 18 at St. Catherine of Siena Church Corpus Christi Site. The Mass will be celebrated at 6:30. We are hoping to have many of our families attend. Our children will be involved. Please set aside this time during the beautiful season of Advent to

<p>Advent Craft Night</p>	<p>celebrate as a Catholic Community. If you or your child is able to participate in the Mass, please let us know by calling the school or sending a message in your child's agenda.</p>
<p>Extra Pair of Shoes at school for Winter</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ADVENT CEREMONIES</p>
<p>Feeder School Girls' Basketball Tournament</p>	<p>The beautiful season of Advent begins on Sunday December 2. We will have an Advent Ceremony each Monday in our school gym. All parents and relatives are welcome to attend! Let us celebrate this beautiful season of waiting together as we walk towards Christmas...</p>
<p>Making the Race Fair</p>	<p>Our next Advent Ceremony is on Monday December 10 at 10:30, please join us!</p>
<p>Growth Mindset</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS</p>
<p>Math Nugget</p>	<div style="text-align: center;">  <p>The logo for the Catholic School Council features the words "SCHOOL" and "COUNCIL" in a large, green, bubbly font. The letters are slightly shadowed and have a soft glow effect. The word "SCHOOL" is positioned above "COUNCIL".</p> </div>
<p>Pope Francis Twitter</p>	
<p>LOOKING AHEAD</p>	
<p>Advent Family Mass</p>	<p>Our Catholic School Council will be hosting Milk and Cookies with St. Nicholas on Friday, December 14 in the afternoon. All students will have the opportunity to see St. Nick and get their photo taken with him. Thank you to our Council for providing us with such a wonderful opportunity!</p>
<p>Tues. Dec. 18 6:30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FESTIVE SWEATER DAY AND MILK AND COOKIES WITH ST. NICHOLAS</p>
<p>Final Advent Ceremony and Monthly Awards Assembly</p>	<p>On Friday December 14 all of our students will dress in a festive sweater and will be able to have their photo taken with St. Nicholas as they enjoy milk and a cookie courtesy of our Catholic School Council. We are looking forward to all the joy we will experience that afternoon! Thank you to St. Nicholas for joining us for this special occasion!</p>
<p>Prayer to St. Marguerite d'Youville</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SUB ORDER FORMS</p>
<p><u>Prayer to St. Marguerite d'Youville</u></p>	<p>Sub order forms go out on Monday December 10 to be returned Thursday December 13. Sub Day is Wednesday December 19.</p>
<p>Saint Marguerite d'Youville, we turn to you in humble prayer because your life speaks to us of goodness, compassion and love in a world of suffering, anguish</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CONCERT AT ST. JEAN DE BREBEUF</p>
	<p>Our Grade 8 classes will be walking over to St. Jean De Brebeuf to enjoy a Christmas Concert put on by our very talented feeder school students. We are looking forward to this great opportunity!</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">KINDERGARTEN TRIP TO THE HAMILTON ART GALLERY</p>
<p>in a world of suffering, anguish</p>	<p>We wish our Kindergarten students a wonderful time as they head over to the Hamilton Art Gallery to enjoy the art work of the many talented artists as well as being</p>

and pain.
 It is not unlike
 the world you
 knew
 as you went
 about doing good
 with a great love
 for the human
 family,
 with preference
 for the poorest of
 all.
 Your dream of
 universal charity
 became a mission
 in the Church.
 We give thanks
 to you for the
 inspiring vision
 that is ours today
 as your dream
 lives on.
 May we learn as
 you did the life-
 giving power of
 love,
 the profound
 peace of unending
 trust,
 the deep mystery
 of suffering and
 pain,
 the comfort of
 prayer.
 Saint Marguerite,
 teach us to listen,
 In the silence of
 our hearts,
 to the God of
 Mercy and
 Compassion.
 that we, too, may
 be signs of God's
 love
 to all people of
 our world.
 Amen.
 St. Marguerite
 d'Youville, Pray
 for us.
 Amen.

able to produce their own masterpieces! Have fun!

SCHOOL UNIFORMS



Mandatory School Uniform implies that all students arrive at school dressed appropriately and in adherence to the Board and School Uniform Policy. Failure to do so shall result in consequences as outlined in the Uniform Policy. Parents please note that many of our students are wearing tights, or jogging pants. These pieces of clothing are not part of the uniform. **Only plain casual twill docker style pants are allowed for students in Grade 4-8.**

Teachers will be checking for compliance of uniform and will put a note in the agenda. Please make sure your child is wearing the proper uniform. Your support in being compliant is appreciated. If you require assistance, please notify the office.

ADVENT CRAFT NIGHT

Please join us on Wednesday December 12th for our annual Advent Craft Night in our school gym at 6:30. All families are welcome to attend. Thank you to Mrs. Anthony-Corrigan for preparing all of the materials for our craft and for bringing the die presses for our beautiful cards.

EXTRA PAIR OF SHOES FOR THE WINTER MONTHS

Winter has arrived! With the snowy weather here, please ensure your child comes to school prepared with all necessary clothing items to keep them warm. Please also note that students CANNOT wear boots while in the classroom, they need to have a pair of running shoes for indoor use. When wearing boots to school, please make sure your child has a pair of running shoes packed in their school bag. If it is easier, students are welcome to keep a pair of running shoes at school, during the winter months. As you can imagine, when students need to call home at the start of the day, to have running shoes brought to school, a lot of unnecessary traffic is created in our office, as well as unnecessary disruptions to the classroom.

Thank you for your continued support.

FEEDER SCHOOL GIRLS' BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

On Wednesday December 5 our Senior Girls were involved in a Feeder School Basketball Tournament. Our girls had a great time! Thank you to Mr. Welsh for

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organizing this great opportunity for our students.



MAKING THE RACE FAIR

St. Marguerite d'Youville is partnering with McMaster University and the Offord Centre for Child Studies on a new study. If you have a child between 2-4 years of age, you may be able to take part! If you are interested in learning more, please speak with the school office or contact the Research Coordinator (Julie Gross 905-525-9140 ext 27066 grossj@mcmaster.ca)

Are you dealing with the terrible twos and beyond?
Do you have concerns about your child's emotions
and/or behaviours?

Families with children from 2-4 years of age are needed for
"Making the Race Fair" Study

We are testing the Family Check-Up, a program
that was developed to help families with the
challenges of parenting young children.

Contact Us
Julie Gross
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Offord CENTRE FOR CHILD STUDIES
Family Check-Up
McMaster University
Making The Race Fair

Families will be compensated for their time.

GROWTH MINDSET



MATH NUGGET

Can you solve this puzzle?

12 DAYS OF MATH CHALLENGES

presented by mashup math.

Case 1



Case 2



Case 3



Case 4



How many candy canes will be in Case #5 and case #8?



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FROM POPE FRANCIS TWITTER

“Loving God means serving our neighbour without reserve, and trying to forgive without limits.”



LOOKING AHEAD

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ADVENT CEREMONY AND DECEMBER MONTHLY AWARDS CEREMONY

Friday December 21 is our last day before the Christmas Holidays and we will have a PJ Day and celebrate our