

*We are a faith-filled Catholic community called by God  
to teach, nurture and guide our children  
to achieve their God-given potential on life's journey to heaven.*

*Faith Community Academic Excellence*



November 29, 2017

Dear Parents,

November 26, 2017 was a renowned day in the life of our Community! After 41 years in existence, we were raised up to a Religious Institute of Diocesan Right. What a grace-filled day! Words cannot describe this moment to its fullest, but I will try. After the Liturgy of the Word, Bishop Conley asked us: "My dear Sisters, by the waters of Baptism and the gifts of the Holy Spirit, you have already been consecrated to God's service. Are you resolved to unite yourself more deeply to God, to one another, and to the church by the new bond as a member of the Religious Institute of the School Sisters of Christ the King?" We proceeded to say we were resolved and how we would do that. You are included in this resolve. We are here to serve God first, Who is the King and center of our hearts. We recommitted ourselves to serve our Sisters, in both the good and difficult times, and to serve you through our service to your children here at St. Teresa School to enable them to grow in holiness and become apostles for Christ the King! We were so humbled to have so many people come and help us celebrate at Mass. Thank you to all who could not attend but kept us in your prayers! The Cathedral was full. We were also grateful to those who supported us by providing for the reception after Mass and our dinner that evening. The room looked beautiful as we celebrated with our families, the priests, and the Sisters in the Diocese. God will bless you all! Let us continue to pray for each other in building up the Kingdom of God!

In the Heart of the King, I am,

Sister Anne Joelle, CK

#### **DATES for: November**

- 29 Midterm grades issued; Happy ½ Birthday, Mrs. Angie Schafers!  
30 Thurs. Altar Server Training and Pizza Party, 4:30-6:00 p.m. (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> servers) (See attached flyer)  
**Candy Cane Sales**

#### **December**

- 1 MCA Collection / All Day Adoration / Benediction, 3:00 pm Blessed Sacrament JH Snowball Dance  
JH Choir sings at Pink Sisters Holy Hour PK-B Day  
5 Tues. Happy ½ Birthday Mrs. Stewart!  
6 Grade 1 Class Mass Grades 4 & 6 Confessions Happy Birthday, Mrs. Berrick!  
Leadership Board Meeting, 4:00 pm  
7 Grade 3 Confessions **Candy Cane Sales**  
8 Fri. **No School –Feast of the Immaculate Conception**  
9 Hour of Code at Innovation Campus, 9:00-noon  
11 Grade 8 Confessions  
12 Tues. 4A Class Mass Happy ½ Birthday, Mrs. Minchow!  
13 Grade 5 Confessions Happy Birthday, Jody Degenhardt!  
14 Thurs. Grade 3 Class Mass 2:00 p.m. Christmas Program Dress rehearsal for those who can't make the 7 p.m.  
performance; **Candy Cane Sales** Christmas Program (Grades K-4), 7 p.m.  
15 **12:30 Dismissal** / Faculty mtg.  
17 Sun. Happy Birthday, Pope Francis!  
18 Grade 7 Confessions Chess Club Christmas Dinner, 6:30 p.m.  
19 Grade 4 Field Trip Jr. High Choir Christmas Caroling, 4:45 p.m.  
20 Wed. Sign-a-long, 11 a.m. / Noon Dismissal End of 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter  
21-29 **No School / Christmas break!**

#### **NEW DATES:**

- **No School, Monday, Feb. 5** for a faculty curriculum work day granted by Monsignor Perinton to all Lincoln Catholic Schools. Time to align curriculum and build resource bank for new Theology of the Body Curriculum.
- **No School** all day, Friday, **April 13** (It had been a 12:30 p.m. dismissal.) Now Strategic Planning in a.m./Faculty Mtg./CLC in p.m.
- **Bishop's Day off** – Friday, **April 20** (It had been a 12:30 p.m. dismissal.) Now no school all day

**PRAY FOR THESE SISTERS:** Sister Marta-Dung Tran and Maria Hang Bul

**THINGS BEING SENT HOME:** 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade midterms; Christmas Program K-4 Attire flyer; library and lunch notices; Candy Cane Sales flyer; Blessed Sacrament Snowball Dance flyer for Grades 7 & 8; Kids Dance Clinic (for girls, sponsored by Thunderettes); Christmas Donation Reminder

**ATTACHMENTS:** Dec. Hot Lunch Menu; Candy Cane Sales flyer; Kids Dance Clinic (for girls, sponsored by Thunderettes); Dec. SCIP newsletter, Hour of Code 2017; Hour of Code

**HEALTH SCREENING** – Thank you to all of our volunteers: Annata Sullivan, Angela Rehtus, Jen Sager, Theresa Kottwitz, Kathy Berrick, Gary Harper, Rex Mulholland, Jody Degenhardt, Juanita Stell, Kim Theisen, Jean Brigham, Jeanne Kee, Laurie Clark, Wendy Guzman De Cruz, Jodi Wells, Cheryl Wesolowski, Janice Cook, Veronica Cordry, Paula Wagner, and Lisa Butler.

**CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR FACULTY/STAFF:** Please prayerfully consider contributing toward the monetary Christmas gift for our teachers and staff. Our goal is for donations to be collected by Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>. Thank you for your support! **See reminder letter enclosed in CE.**

**CANDY CANE SALES:** The 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be selling candy canes after school on Nov. 30, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>.

**CHRISTMAS PROGRAM (GRADES K-4<sup>th</sup>):** Thursday, **December 14**, 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. – Students will report to the cafeteria and may leave their coats there. Grades K-4 attire flyer is enclosed in CE.

**WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL NIGHT** - all ladies are invited to a fun evening of volleyball on Friday, **December 1** at 7:30 pm in the St. Teresa School gym. Use the south doors off the parking lot to enter. For questions please contact Amy Johnson at [ametten3@yahoo.com](mailto:ametten3@yahoo.com).

**LINCOLN MOMS MEETING– December 2:** Join us for "Seasons, Saints, Celebrations, Oh My!" with Amy Zelany. Each year the Church offers us the Liturgical Calendar as a way to celebrate and understand more fully the mystery of Jesus Christ. Come hear more about Liturgical Living – what it is, how it can strengthen our families, and how to start. Lincoln MOMs is a group of Catholic mothers searching for fellowship, hope, & joy in our ever-changing vocation. Monthly meetings are held every first Saturday, 8:30-10:30 am at Gianna's Java & Gelato, in The Guadalupe Center (2241 O St., Suite T, Lincoln, NE 68510). Free-will donation helps cover the cost of speakers, reserved babysitting, and coffee/snacks (\$5 suggested). Contact us at [lincolnmoms@outlook.com](mailto:lincolnmoms@outlook.com) or our Facebook page. Let us know in advance if you need babysitting, and please bring a friend!

**GIRLS DANCE CLINIC:** Girls ages 3-8<sup>th</sup> grade may join the Pius X Thunderettes on Sat., Dec. 9, 8:30-12:00 p.m. See Kids Dance Camp flyer for details and registration. **Due by Dec. 2.**

**LINCOLN HOUR OF CODE EVENT AT NEBRASKA INNOVATION CAMPUS** is an annual event hosted at Nebraska Innovation Campus. This year's event happens on **Saturday, December 9th, 9 a.m. to noon**. For more information see the attached flyer. This event of this event is joint venture between Lincoln Public Schools and other community organizations, but the event is **free** and open to the public. To register click [Code Event](#)

### **WAYS TO SERVE**

**BAZAAR NEWS:** The games were a success and the kids had a great time playing with their friends and family! Thank you for coming! Thank you very much for all your pop donations, money and bottle mania donations! Those two games were played over 1,500 times! Wow! Thank you for making this possible!

Thank you to Jill Zimmer for coordinating the games for this big event and to all the workers that helped with a shift- we are so grateful! Also, thank you to our set up crew; Carrie Stratman, Liam and Mike Kreikemeier, Monica Pettitt, Campbell Mandery and the Rutledge and Johnson kids. Thank you!

A HUGE thank you to Carrie Stratman for leading the set up Friday night and managing the games all day Sunday during the bazaar! She made sure it all came together! THANK YOU, CARRIE!!!

Thank you so much to the following businesses for their amazing support. Their donations were so important to the success of the bazaar! If you get the opportunity, please thank them for their wonderful commitment.

**HY-VEE, 50th and 0; LINCOLN PEPSI; RUNZA; SUE HRUBY FOR MCDONALDS; WALMART/SAMS; WALGREENS, 48th and 0**

Lastly, if you have any ideas for a game or something fun to add next year, please email Jill Zimmer at [jillzimmer81@gmail.com](mailto:jillzimmer81@gmail.com). Thank you and God bless!!

**ST. TERESA SCHOOL MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS:** We raised \$17.20 this year. Remember, you can order magazines and renew your subscriptions online at [my.fundraising.com/stteresascatholicsschool](http://my.fundraising.com/stteresascatholicsschool). 40% is returned to the school. For magazines, click on the magazine link under "shop now for our cause". Please share the website with family and friends. There is also other merchandise available. This site is open to us for the entire year!

**AMAZON SMILE:** #StartWithASmile at [smile.amazon.com/ch/47-0393174](http://smile.amazon.com/ch/47-0393174) for your holiday gifts and Amazon donates to St Teresa Catholic Church of Lincoln. Use Amazon Scrip for double benefits!

**SCRIP AND PROPLR NEWS:** Thank you for using \$SCRIP for all your groceries, gas, and gifts!

**October 2017 Profit:** \$1,708. **Year-to-date profit:** \$15,083 which is 60% of the \$25,000 goal.

In Nov., when you use your Propelr card at participating merchants, St. Teresa's will receive **DOUBLE** the normal rebate!

When you purchase **Visa Scrip cards**, please be aware of the following helpful information:

\*Visa Scrip is available in the box! Cards are available in \$50 and \$100 amounts. Use Visa Scrip at merchants that don't participate in Scrip or Propelr. NOTE: Read over the instructions with your card(s) to learn how you can take advantage of special bonuses offered through participating merchants with the Visa cards. HINT: It is strongly suggested that if you are purchasing a Visa card to use at one particular store, that you would use the whole card to purchase a gift card from the store you are shopping at. This way you will not have to keep track of the Visa balance. You are not able to initiate a transaction for more than the available balance on your card. (If your store total is \$57.50 and you have \$55 on your Visa card, you must ask that \$55 be applied and then use another form of payment for the remaining \$2.50) If you have questions, please ask! We are happy to help make using Scrip simple and convenient!

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### UPCOMING EVENTS / REMINDERS

**SONIC DRIVE-IN CONTEST:** Last chance to support Pius X High School in a contest - ends on **Nov. 30, 2017**.

**JUNIOR HIGH DANCE:** "Glow into the Night: Snowball Dance" is Friday, **Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>**, 7-9 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament School. See flyer in the Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> Communication Envelope for details. Must bring flyer for admission.

**ST. NICK IS COMING TO PIUS X:** St. Nick is coming to Pius X on the Feast Day of St. Nicholas, Wednesday **December 6** from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Please join us for a **Baby Jesus/Nativity Blessing** at **5:30 p.m.** in the Pius X Chapel. **6:00-7:30 p.m.** come on down to the **Commons** and get your picture taken with an **authentic** looking **St. Nick**, decorate a sugar cookie, color a St. Nick page, and listen to our talented Pius X choirs sing beautiful Christmas Carols!

No charge, but free will donations will gladly be accepted. Please RSVP the number of kids attending to [Kristin.heath@piusx.net](mailto:Kristin.heath@piusx.net) to help give us an idea of the amount of cookies and cocoa needed! More details may be found at [www.piusx.net](http://www.piusx.net).

**WORLD BOOK ONLINE** St. Teresa School has a paid World Book Online subscription for all students. [www.worldbookonline.com](http://www.worldbookonline.com) **Log-in ID:** StTeresaLnc **Password:** jayhawks (\*Password is case sensitive.)