

December 9, 2011

Dear SJV Families,

Thank you!!! Thank you!!! The “Gifts from the Heart” were good this year. I know there are many families that will so appreciate your generosity on Christmas morning, especially this year with the economy. The Lord will continue to bless each of you. The fourth graders did a great job helping with this.

We do go outside unless the temperature or wind chill is below zero. Please help the students remember all their snow gear so they stay warm when out for recess.

This coming Monday, Mrs. Slaughter and the Kindergarten class will have the Advent Prayer service at 12:35 PM, in the gym. Please come and join us if you can. It is a great way to start the week and is heartwarming. The students always do a good job.

The 5th grade will go to Goldfinch next week to help the residents decorate Christmas cookies. This is nice for both students and residents.

Midterm progress report updates were emailed this week to 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents so that they know how their students are doing. Remember you can access JMC grade book or your lunch account on-line at anytime.

Catholic Schools Week will be here before we know it. We are planning to have the Variety Show on Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> but we are in need of a chairperson. Would any of you be willing to do this for the school? It's a fun way to earn points. Let me know.

Parents, if you bring your child to school after school begins, you must come in with them and sign them in. Also if you are taking them out of school before the end of the day, you need to come in and sign them out. Thank you for your cooperation with this important matter. We need to keep our students safe.

The public school **is** dismissing students for Christmas vacation on Thursday, Dec. 22nd. SJV School tries to stay aligned with the public school as much as possible but we will be dismissing students on Wednesday, December 21st at 2:50 PM. We **will** have Kidstop that day.

St. John Vianney School and St. John Vianney Parish are both now on Facebook. Check out our Facebook page.

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> grade students will be doing reconciliation with Father Schuster in the next two weeks. It is always good to do this in Advent to prepare for the coming of Jesus.

Our first basketball games are on Monday at SJV School against St. Paul Lutheran School. The boys play at 4:30 PM and the girls play at 5:30 PM. Come watch.

Have a great weekend.

God's Blessings,

Joan Schaffer  
Principal