



St. Ignatius of Loyola

PSR NEWSLETTER

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DATES TO REMEMBER

November 1 – All Saint's Day

November 2 – All Soul's Day

November 4 – New/Gently Used Toy Collection – **Time to de-clutter! Bring in and donate your gently used toys!!!**

November 4 – Christmas Raffle Tickets on sale

November 11 – New/Gently Used Toy Collection

November 11 – Christmas Raffle Tickets on sale

November 18 – Christmas Raffle Tickets on sale

November 25 – Feast of Christ the King

November 25 – Happy Thanksgiving! Thanksgiving Break

December 1 – First Reconciliation for Grade 2 students and families – 1:00 p.m. in Church

December 2 – Raffle Tickets on sale until 9:30 a.m.

December 2 – Advent Prayer Service/St. Nick visit at 9:40 -10:00. All are welcome. Raffle winner announced! First Sunday of Advent

December 4 – Second Sunday of Advent

December 7 – Grade 4 Christmas Pageant in Church at 6:30 p.m.

December 9 – Second Sunday of Advent

December 16 – Third Sunday of Advent

December 23– Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 23 – No Class – Merry Christmas

December 30 – No Class – Happy New Year

A Message from the Director of PSR:

Welcome to everyone! Again, the teachers and staff of St. Ignatius Parish School of Religion (PSR) would like to welcome each of you and your family to the Parish School of Religion Program this year.

Our theme for this year is: **"We Are Many Parts, We Are One Body"**. Our scripture focus is: "As a body is one though it has many parts, though many, are one body, so

also Christ. For

in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.” (1 Corinthians 12:12-13)

With a great deal of enthusiasm, we welcome all of you to this new PSR year. We look forward not only the excitement and faith-filled teachers but also to the children learning—because religious education is a community journey. Together, we will grow stronger in the Catholic faith.

Like you, our teachers have made a huge commitment to this program; making lesson plans and setting aside Sunday mornings from September to May to teach the children. The primary care of their faith starts with you at home and continues at PSR. Every child that comes to PSR is a special gift from God and we “*thank you*” for letting us share our faith with them. “Parents, you are the first and most important educators of your children and you also possess a fundamental competence in this area: you are educators because you are parents.”

Class starts at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 10:00 a.m. We are asking for your commitment to have the students attend classes each week, be well prepared and give their best effort. We know that by working together, we can make this a fantastic year!

If your child is going to be absent, please call 389-3242, Ext. 2223 and leave a message or email us at saintipsr@gmail.com. You can call anytime during the week or on Sunday mornings.

Please make sure that you read the Parent/Student Handbook with your child and return the Acknowledgement form and Photograph Form after you and your child(ren) have signed it. It can be returned to one of your child’s teacher’s.

Please watch the table in the Cafeteria for any upcoming events or information. If you need additional copies of the Newsletter, forms, handbook, calendar, etc. they will be on the table.

On the last Sunday of each month, you will receive a Student/Parent P.S.R. Newsletter for the following month. It will have all the important information in it and of all the

things that are happening during the month. Please make sure that you take time to read it.

If you have any questions or concerns, please stop by the PSR office on Sunday morning so we can discuss the problem or situation and take care of it. We will be glad to help in any way we can.

Mary Ann Bosse and Elaine Kroger

On October 2th we had the Blessing of Pets Prayer Service. “Thank you” to all the parents who attended the Prayer Service for the blessing of our pets. “Thank you” for Deacon Butch who lead us in song and leading us in the prayer service and blessing the pictures of the pets. “Thank you” to our readers.

On October 9th, we had our Fire Drill. The students and teachers did very well getting out of the school building. It was under three minutes for everyone to get out of the school. Great Job! Thank you to Elaine Kroger, Marlene Dole and Marlene Schirmer for helping to make sure that all the students got out of the school building safely for the Fire Drill.

NEW CONTACT INFO? Don’t forget if you move or change your telephone number or change your email address to please notify your child’s teacher and the PSR Office.

TIME CHANGE - On Saturday night, **November 3rd** before you go to bed don’t forget to move your clocks back one hour—yes, we get an extra hour of sleep!!

TOY COLLECTION – Starting November 4th, we will start collecting “gently used” or “new” toys for the children at St. Leo’s and McCreary County, Kentucky. There will be a box sitting near the entrance to the school that you may place the toys. This is a good time to “make room” for new gifts your child may receive at Christmas and also help make another child’s Christmas.

FIRST RECONCILIATION - Grade 2 students will receive the sacrament of First Reconciliation on **Saturday, December 1st at 1:00 p.m.** in Church. This is for the student and their family members to receive the sacrament of reconciliation. If you have any questions, please talk with your child’s second grade teacher, Mr. Thomas.

ADVENT IS ALMOST HERE!

Each family will receive an Advent Calendar on November 18th that can be used all during ADVENT.

Our **ADVENT PRAYER SERVICE** will be on **Sunday, December 2nd**. It will start at 9:40 and will be in the Cafeteria. Following the prayer service, **We will have a special visit from St. Nicholas!** Each child will be given a bag with some treats! They will be handed out as the children are leaving. If your child is allergic to something, please check the bag when they get home.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

We will have our annual Christmas Raffle starting on November 4th and we will draw the winner at our Advent Prayer Service on Sunday, December 2nd. The chances are 1 for \$1.00, or 6 for \$5. *The money we collect from this raffle will be used to buy gifts for the priests for Christmas from your children.* Please make sure that you return your child's raffle tickets by **Sunday, December 2nd**, for a chance to win. Raffle ticket forms were sent home in an envelope with this newsletter so you can use the envelope to return tickets bought, or make a donation toward the priests' gifts.

May you and your family have a very Blessed Happy Thanksgiving!

*Mary Ann Bosse , Elaine Kroger
and Kim Abele*

