

# HAWK HEADLINES



## ST. MARY OF THE KNOBS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

★★★★ 4-STAR SCHOOL

Where  
Children  
and GOD  
meet  
daily.



### Burn Bright with His Light!

#### *Principal's Corner*

Pope Francis has proven to be a trusted guide in dealing with the stress of the Christmas season and the anxiety of daily life in general. In his apostolic exhortation Rejoice and Be Glad, he puts his finger on the dangers of a frenetic quest for happiness: "The presence of constantly new gadgets, the excitement of travel and an endless array of consumer goods at times leave no room for God's voice to be heard. We are overwhelmed by words, by superficial pleasures and by an increasing din, filled not by joy but rather by the discontent of those whose lives have lost meaning. How can we fail to realize the need to stop this rat race and to recover the personal space needed to carry on a heartfelt dialogue with God? Finding that space may prove painful but it is always fruitful. Sooner or later, we have to face our true selves and let the Lord enter."

—from the book *Simple Gifts: Daily Reflections for Advent*  
Minute Meditations, Franciscan Media

#### **Uniform Reminder:**

Students are dressing differently due to the cold temperatures. Here are a few reminders based on our uniform policy for K-8<sup>th</sup> graders: Girls may wear tights, but no leggings. Boots are not permitted according to the dress code. Sweatshirts worn during the school day should be a school uniform sweatshirt with the embroidered school logo. Contact the office or your child's teacher if you have questions, or refer to the Parent Handbook.

#### **Important Information**

- Donations for St. Elizabeth's Catholic Charities are **due Friday, November 30**. Thank you for your donations for these less fortunate in our community.
- Please note that our **school lunches will raise to \$2.85 as of December 1st**. This is a \$.10 increase per the state guidelines. Milk will remain the same price.
- If you thought you missed out on ordering SMK spirit wear from Kratz Sporting Goods, it is not too late! Act quickly because sales end today, 11/28. Your oldest child should have brought home a flyer with ordering information on Tuesday.
- Interested in skiing or snowboarding this January/February? Paoli Peaks is a great family friendly opportunity to do just that at a huge discounted price of \$159. Friends and family (parents, cousins, etc.) are welcome too, however participants must be 7 years old or older. Lift ticket, rentals (ski/snowboard), and 4 beginner lessons are included in the discount for 6 weeks of skiing (one evening/day of your choice each week). Travel arrangements to Paoli are not included. If you are interested, please email Brian Akin at [indiana\\_energizer@yahoo.com](mailto:indiana_energizer@yahoo.com) by Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup> and he will send you more details. Let's have some fun! Deadline for the deal is Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Spots remain for 1<sup>st</sup> semester cafeteria volunteers:  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f094fa9a92ca1f85-smkcs2>

November 28, 2018

#### Mark Your Calendar

- 11/30 – Mass Led by 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade; St. Elizabeth donations due
- 12/6 St. Nicholas Day
- 12/6-7 Mrs. Claus' Closet
- 12/7 – Penance Service (no mass)
- 12/8 Feast of Immaculate Conception
- 12/12 K-3 Grade Christmas Program 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. in GAC
- 12/17 – Report cards sent home
- 12/18 – K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Christmas Parties 2:15 p.m.
- 12/19-1/2 – Christmas Break

#### **Childcare Notes**

If you are cleaning out your child's toy box before Christmas and would like to donate some items to childcare, we are in need of the following items: washable markers, colored pencils, Play-doh, Fisher Price Little People, baby doll clothes, match box cars, UNO cards, playing cards, and Candy Land games. We appreciate all donations new or used. Thank you, Childcare Staff

#### **"Make A Difference"**

At our Shopping Extravaganza middle school students participated in a fundraiser to help Make A Difference in the lives of children in need. We partnered with Cadella's and sold "We're MAD" magnetic tiles for \$5.00. All proceeds go to support Kenneth Lozon. These tiles can be used in any cuff, bangle, or necklace from Cadella's that has a place for magnetic tiles. There are extra tiles still available for purchase in the school office. If you would like to buy one please bring **\$5.00 cash**.

**Mission Statement** St. Mary of the Knobs Catholic School, modeled in the image of Christ, shall nurture the spiritual, academic, and individual potential of our students. We shall prepare children for the challenges of today and the future.