



Newsletter #16

November 30, 2018

Server Schedule:

12-1-18 – Kaitlyn D. and Tessa C.

12-2-18 – Ladies Sodality

12-2-18 – Katie H. and Opal S.

Recess/Lunchroom Monitor Duty this year will be from 11:50 until 12:30pm. **Recess/Lunchroom Monitoring is a great way to earn a \$5 tuition credit for every shift you work!** Click on this link:

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Recess/Lunchroom Monitor Duty:

Monday: Janet McKemie and Lisa Donovan

Tuesday: Katie Weiss and Lisa Donovan

Wednesday: Tim Yohe and Lisa Donovan

Thursday: Laura McWilliams and Lisa Donovan

Friday: Oliver Moss and Lisa Donovan

Calendar

December

01 Christmas House

06 Sacrament of Reconciliation for Grade 2 – 6:00p/Feast of St. Nicholas

08 Christmas Concert/Feast of the Immaculate Conception

11 Senior Luncheon Following 9a Mass/Home and School Meeting

21 Noon Dismissal/End of 2nd Quarter/NO AFTERCARE

22 Christmas Break

January

03 Classes Resume

A Note from the Principal

Saturday, December 1, is the date for this year's annual Christmas House. Breakfast with Santa is from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Along with Santa there is a craft fair, bake sale, stories with Mrs. Claus, and a host of other seasonal activities that continue until 1:00 p.m.

Your participation and attendance at the Christmas House support our school so we hope to see everyone there.

Continuing in the spirit of the holiday season the school's Christmas program is scheduled for Saturday, December 8. Our PreK 3 and 4 students begin their portion of the program at 12:00 noon, followed by the K-8 students at 1:30 p.m. Cookies and punch will be available during the intermission between the two presentations.

Registration for the second semester Mad Science program will begin soon, with a registration deadline of January 31. Class enrollment is limited to students in grades K-5 and is on a first come, first served basis.

Mad Science is scheduled to begin Thursday, February 7 and will continue on subsequent Thursdays until March 14.

Click here for the flyer:

For further information about the Mad Science program please contact the school office.

December 11 will be a very busy evening here at St. James the Greater.

From 5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. "Keep St. James" is sponsoring a "meet and greet" for families with students in grades PreK 3-Grade 1. This is a wonderful opportunity for parents to enjoy pizza, a craft activity for the children, and to make new friends. For further information contact Jennifer Keeteman at 636-221-2203 or jennifer.keeteman@hotmail.com.

At 7:00 p.m. that same evening the Home and School general meeting will feature Ms. Amy Maus as a guest speaker. Ms. Maus is the assistant director of West County Psychological Associates and will be addressing the topic of anxiety in our society and how it affects children, especially young ones, and their parents.

Ms. Maus has been the featured speaker at many Archdiocesan and professional development seminars.

I hope you can join us.

Michael Biggs
Principal

Weekly Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, Who, by the will of the Father, with the cooperation of the Holy Spirit, have by Your death given life to the world, deliver me by this Your Most Sacred Body and Blood from all sins and from every evil. Make me always cling to Your commandments, and never permit me to be separated from You. Who with the same God the Father and the Holy Spirit, live and reign, God, world without end. Amen.

Christmas House

Our annual Christmas House is being held tomorrow, Dec 1st from 9am-1pm.

CALLING ALL WORKERS: We still need more workers for Christmas House. Some of the shifts don't have any workers signed up as of today. If we don't get the shifts filled up, we may have to cancel some of the games for the kids! Remember, hours worked at the Christmas House count towards your 15 hour volunteer commitment, so please sign up as soon as possible. Also, if you have a 7th grade, 8th grade or high school student who needs service hours, you can sign them up as well! To sign up for a shift (or two!), please click here: <https://www.helpcounterweb.com/ci/signup/13b69ddd90d>

ATTENTION BAKERS! We need your delicious baked items for the Sweet Shop. Candies, cakes, pies, cookies & brownies are all welcome - just make whatever you're best at baking! We will also GLADLY accept 'store-bought' baked goods! You can deliver your baked goods to the gym on Friday, November 30 or Saturday, December 1st. Thank you in advance!

Christmas Performance

PreK Performance

The Pre K Christmas performance will be held on **Saturday, December 8 at 12 Noon in the gymnasium**. All are invited to attend.

K – 8 Performance

The Christmas Concert for grades K – 8 will be held on **Saturday, December 8, at 1:30 p.m.** All children are required to attend. The program will begin promptly at 1:30 p.m. in the Gym. We should be finished no later than 2:30 p.m. The children's attendance will be used in determining their 2nd Quarter Music Grade. One grade will be given for participation in class and a second grade for their attendance at the concert on Saturday, December 8th. The dress code for the concert is dressy, but still comfortable and modest. Jeans are not allowed.

Senior Luncheon

All Senior Citizens are cordially invited to St. James the Greater School's Annual Christmas Luncheon on Tuesday, December 11th, 2018. R.S.V.P by December 5th. (314) 647-5244 (school office). Mass will be offered at 9:00 a.m. and Festivities begin at 10:00 a.m. in the school gymnasium.



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Child's Name: _____ Birthday: ____/____/____ Grade/Teacher: _____

Parent's Name: _____ Phone #: (____) ____-____, (____) ____-____, (____) ____-____

Address: _____
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My Child will: Attend Day Care at the School Walk Home Be picked up by _____ Phone #: (____) ____-____

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Return Check and Form to: school office

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MAD SCIENCE PROGRAM POLICIES

- ★ If your child will be picked up after Mad Science, you must meet your child at the room location.
- ★ Failure to pick up a child within 30 minutes of dismissal time will result in a call to the Police Department, to assist in locating the child's parent or guardian.
- ★ For refund requests made prior to the start of the program, a \$10 processing fee will be deducted. Payments made directly to your child's school are subject to the school's refund policy.
- ★ No refunds will be issued once the program has begun.
- ★ All children are expected to maintain proper behavior while attending the program. If a child displays disruptive, disrespectful, or inappropriate behavior and repeated warnings by Mad Science fail to yield results, parents will be contacted. If the behavior continues, the child will be dismissed from the program and no refund will be given.
- ★ Space is limited. Registrations are accepted on a first come first serve basis.
- ★ If a minimum number of students is not reached class will be cancelled, and a full refund will be given.
- ★ The nature of Mad Science programs allows for grades K-6 to participate in the same classroom with one instructor.
- ★ Mad Science's average class size is 12-20 students per one instructor.
- ★ A \$25 fee will be charged for checks that are returned unpaid.