



Tiger Weekly



St. Joseph Catholic School December 17, 2015 Issue



Dear St. Joseph Families and Friends,
I would like extend holiday greetings to all of you. May the peace of Christ remain in your hearts throughout this Holy Season. Enjoy the time with your children and loved ones, as you share in prayer and reflection on the coming of Jesus. When you gather as a family, take time to share how you strive to seek, persist, excel, love, and serve in your everyday life. Peace be with you.

Blessings,
Mrs. Budd

Reminders

- 1.) Wednesday, December 16th
Reading Counts Pizza Party 2pm
- 2.) Friday, December 18th
Spirit Day / Noon Dismissal
- 3.) Monday, January 4th
Teacher Workday/No School
- 4.) Tuesday, January 5th
Classes Resume!
- 5.) Friday, January 8th
"MAP" Test Pep Rally
- 6.) Monday, January 11th
"MAP" Testing Begins
- 7.) Monday, January 18th
No School/ M. L. King, Jr. Day
- 8.) Tuesday, January 19th
"Rally in Tally" Day!

Attendance and Tardies for the week of December 7-11th:

**Monday: Attendance-96%
Punctual-90%**

**Tuesday: Attendance-98%
Punctual-86%**

**Wednesday: Attendance-96%
Punctual-87%**

**Thursday: Attendance-97%
Punctual-88%**

**Friday: Attendance-93%
Punctual-87%**



Google Calendar:

<http://www.stjoseph Tampa.org/school-life/calendar-2>

December Menu:

http://www.stjoseph Tampa.org/images/December_Menu_2015.pdf

Sunday Reflections:

<http://www.loyolapress.com/sunday-connection.htm>

Volunteer Spot:

<http://vols.pt/UyEHBA>

Box Tops & Labels for Education:

<http://www.stjoseph Tampa.org/box-tops-and-labels-for-education>



Sunday, December 20, 2015

"FAMILY SUNDAY CONNECTION"

"In the encounter between Mary and Elizabeth described in today's Gospel, we learn that other people can help us recognize God's presence and action in our lives. Mary traveled to see Elizabeth because Elizabeth's pregnancy was a sign that everything the angel told Mary would truly happen. Elizabeth recognized Mary as the mother of her Lord because her unborn child, John the Baptist, leapt at the sound of Mary's greeting. Elizabeth and Mary rejoiced together at the wonderful things God was doing in their lives. We too are blessed when we have people who help us recognize God's action in our lives. We pray that our family can be this for one another.

As you gather as a family, work together on a word search or hidden-picture puzzle. Help one another until everyone has found each of the words or pictures in the puzzle. Talk about this experience, noticing how some people found words or pictures more easily than others and how easy it was to see the word or picture once someone else pointed it out. Observe that sometimes we need the help of others to recognize God's presence and action in our lives. Read together today's Gospel, Luke 1:39-45. Ask: What did Elizabeth recognize about Mary? (that she was to be the mother of Jesus, the Lord) How did Elizabeth know this? (Her baby, John the Baptist, leapt with joy at Mary's greeting) Pray together that as we share our faith together as a family, we may help one another recognize God's presence and action in our lives. Pray together the Hail Mary."



This Week in Pictures...



SJS Advent Mass: First grade does the reading for Wednesday's Advent Mass and Eighth graders presented their live Nativity.



Middle School's presentation of Dear Edwina, Jr. Great job, Middle School!



Delaney won first prize and a Kindle in hispanic art contest. Congratulations!



Third grade habitat projects



VPK pajama party and Christmas performance.

