



Saints Peter & Paul Catholic School

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Dear Families of SSPP,

As we joined together with family and friends to celebrate Thanksgiving, we also begin preparations for Advent, the beginning of our liturgical year. This season as we anticipate the wonder and blessings of Christmas, we remember that Christ came into the world to not only show how much God loves us but also to show us how to live. The Advent season is a wonderful opportunity for us to reflect on how well we are following Jesus' example. The faculty and staff wish each of you a happy and holy Advent season.

It is hard to believe that tomorrow is December 1st. We continue to move forward with the students working hard and overall, having good behavior. Between school and activities, I believe we have them too busy to do anything else! Please continue to monitor their grades & homework via OptionC as the 2nd report period will be here before you know it!

Tomorrow will be our Jesse Tree Mass where the children will each place a homemade ornament on the tree (located on the altar)

December begins the crazy month of school events, activities along with academics, basketball season, **and** your busy schedules preparing for the Christmas holidays. December 12th will be our annual Christmas Play and Band Recital and December 13th we will host Santa's Workshop. Detailed information about both events will be coming home shortly.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation for the students (3rd – 8th) will begin on December 18th - 20th.

Candy pick-up is scheduled for December 14th.

A reminder for snow closing (although we should not have to worry about in the up-coming week with mild temperatures) – SSPP will follow Beaver Area School District for delays and closings **and** will be posted on KDKA (Channel 2) and WPXI (Channel 11).

This is the time of the year where many of our students come down with some kind of illness. Please be mindful of sending them to school, especially with fevers and severe conditions, and always inform the school office for any diagnosis of contagious diseases. Thank you.

Annual House Tour is this Sunday, December 3rd. The weather looks like it will be a beautiful day to get out and enjoy the wonderful decorated houses. You can also purchase tickets for the auction baskets! Please join us.

House Tour incorrect information sent in an email: I inadvertently stated that the House Tour tickets can be purchased at the door for \$10.00. The correct cost at the door is \$20.00 (\$15.00 if pre-purchased). My apologies.

A reminder that we will have an 11:30 dismissal on Thursday, December 21st.

Extended Day: there will be no Extended Day on Thursday, December 21st.

Athletics: Due to the re-organization of many Catholic schools the Diocese has to re-structure the basketball sections for the up-coming basketball season. Both boys and girls teams will be playing more games (girls will have at least 8 home games just in section play). With this knowledge, please be mindful of your commitment to parent involvement in working the concession stand. Thank you.

Blessings.

Cindy Baldrige

Thank you for all that you do for Catholic education, for your cooperation and support and for promoting our school. It is inva