



St. Aloysius

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Prayer Intentions:

A prayer of thanksgiving for Mrs. Michelle Rogers' grandson, Ricardo, born this weekend.

For those grieving the loss of a loved one, especially during the holidays.

For those in areas of the world in conflict, especially the people of Ukraine and Eastern Europe.

Please contact the school office if you have a prayer you would like included.

We Pray:

O Lord, as we enter this season of Advent, this time of waiting and anticipation, fill me with the hope of Christ. Help me to wait in great expectation for your great light to shine in this world, for all who are living in darkness to see the dawning of your light. This world can be so dark, so troubling, so full of despair, yet you are light and love. May your light fill all the darkest corners of this world, and all the darkest corners of my own heart.

Calendar:

12/1

- January lunch orders begin
- Mass 2:10 pm (Gr. 8)

12/2

- KR to BGPD

12/5

- Reconciliation
- Candy Cane Gram Sale begins

12/6

- St. Nicholas Day
- PS-Gr. 3 Christmas program at 2:00 pm & 7:00 pm

12/7

- AAF Dress down: PJ/Comfy

12/8

- Feast of Immaculate Conception
Mass **9:00 am** (Gr. 7)

From the Principal:

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving and that your Advent season is off to a blessed start. I enjoyed visiting each classroom on Monday to wish the students a happy new year...new liturgical year that is :) I gave them each a prayer cube with some beautiful prayers that I hope will help your family pray together during the Advent and Christmas seasons. We also had an all school Advent prayer service and will continue to try and stay focused on the true meaning of the season.

I look forward to seeing many of you for the first of our Christmas concerts on Tuesday...the preschool through third grade students are sure to put you in the holiday spirit! See details below.

We are looking for feedback on our preschool program and what families are looking for. If you have made a preschool decision for your child(ren) in the last five years, we would really appreciate your feedback on a very short survey found here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe999JP5S_8MzagGV3sCLZW1ywJT_W2lgMAZOV2coRK3Xs_Wcw/viewform?usp=sf_link

*God's Blessings,
Andrea Puhl*

From the Office:

- **Slight increase in lunch charges:** Ms. Kris does not like to increase prices, but as I'm sure you are aware, food prices continue to rise. She has added a slight increase to the prices for the January order. You will see the largest increase for an extra entree as that is the most expensive part of the meal.
- **Candy Cane Grams** will be sold 12/5-12/13 to support our Adopt-A-Family project. They will NOT be sold at lunch. Return the attached order form with payment to school by 12/13. They will also be on sale at both Christmas programs.
- **Tuition Assistance:** Beginning with the 2023-24 school year we will have a new process for tuition assistance. While different families will receive different assistance, it is not anticipated that any family would experience a large increase in their payments. Set tuition discounts (such as multi-student) and parish scholarships will be eliminated. Instead, all families not eligible for other scholarships or funding will complete a one-page tuition assistance form. Assistance will be provided based on the information on the application.
- **School Mass** can be viewed online. The link for mass at **9:00 am, Thursday 12/8:** <https://venue.streamspot.com/event/MzU1Njc1Nw>

Info for New Families (& good reminders for the rest of us):

- **KR Mitten Tree:** Please support our Mitten Tree outside the school office. Families may donate new or gently used hats, gloves, mittens or scarves to decorate our tree. Our KR students will be placing items on the tree as a service project. Please send donated items to the school office, and we will give them to KR to hang on the tree. Thank you for your generosity.



Christmas Program Details:

- Tuesday, December 6th will be our Christmas Program for Grades PS-3. We will have 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm performances. Students in grades PS-3 may wear festive holiday colors for their daytime performance (no jeans or athletic pants. Leggings must have a skirt over the top). This is a dress up day, but we encourage you to save their holiday best for the evening performances so they don't get dirty at lunch or recess. Students in Grades 4-8 are expected to be in uniform on Tuesday as they will dress up for their concert the following week.
- Students should report to their classrooms at 6:45 for the evening performance. If you arrive earlier than that to save seats, the students should stay with you in the gym until that time. They can not be wandering the building unsupervised. Thank you.

Holiday Shopping at Amazon?

Make a donation to St. Al's with every purchase!



1. Go to smile.amazon.com
2. Log in with your Amazon username and password (if you aren't automatically logged in already)
3. Search "St. Aloysius Parish" to select us for your charity of choice - this can be changed/updated anytime.
4. Continue shopping on Amazon like you always do! A portion of any eligible purchases will go to your chosen charity each time you shop. Unfortunately, this isn't available through the app and you must sign in through smile.amazon.com

There is no cost to you to participate! This program is YEAR-ROUND, so anytime you shop on the site you can help our school and parish!



From the Nurse:

The following resource from the health department may be helpful if someone in your family is exposed or tests positive. [Interactive COVID Decision Trees](#) – provides click-through guidance



From the Parish:

Family Rosary Group

Friday, December 2nd in Clare Hall (not the narthex) at 6:30 pm