

Dear St. Margaret Mary School Parents,

Hello! I hope you all had a great weekend. Before I explain the busy happenings that took place last week and of course, the events that are planned for our school this week, let me first give a big SHOUT OUT to the wonderful women of the Mother's Club for all their efforts with SANTA'S SECRET SHOP! Last week, they worked tirelessly with our students to assist them in selecting Christmas gifts and treats for their family members. As a result, they raised wonderful profits for the school!! Thank you to all Mom's Club moms particularly the Santa Shop Chairman – Priscilla Marquez and her team - Annette Padilla, Donna Reyes and Katie Lopez.

On Monday, the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders prepared for the advent season by going to confession. Fr. Paul, Fr. Marinello and Fr. John presided.

On Tuesday, our Mother's Club members gathered together for a well-deserved 'ornament exchange' party. Lots of food, fun and laughter was had by all. If you are interested in joining this exciting club, please call Sandra Traversa for details.

On Wednesday, the students participated in an 'all school' pep rally hosted by our incredible STUDENT COUNCIL. Although the competition was tremendous, the 6<sup>th</sup> grade captured the SPIRIT STICK. They are looking forward to defending their title come Spring.

On Friday, the entire school gathered together in the church to celebrate and honor OUR LADY OF GUADELUPE. Sandra Traversa (Religion Coordinator) and Fr. Marinello (religion teacher) teamed together to guide and lead the 6<sup>th</sup> grade class in presenting the Mass. The beautiful event opened with a re-enactment of the vision that Juan Diego received of the Virgin Mary. Beautiful!! Thank you Fr. JOHN, our celebrant.

O.k, now for the week ahead...

Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> graders will use their "8<sup>th</sup> grade Christmas privilege pass" to venture off to the Rolling Hills Plaza for "lunch and a movie."

On Monday and Tuesday, church pews will be auctioned off for the MUSIC PROGRAM. If you would like preferred seating and parking for this event, why not participate in our on-line silent auction. The auction begins at 9:00 a.m. The bidding starts at \$50.00. Please email me at <u>ezimm14@yahoo.com</u> at 9:00 a.m to begin placing bids. You will notified periodically throughout the day with bid updates.





On Tuesday and Wednesday, the SMMS students will split academic time with music practice as they prepare for the SMMS Music program. The event will take place promptly on Thursday night at 6:30p.m. Students are to arrive to their classrooms at 6:00p.m. Order forms for dinners are available to all students especially those who are staying in daycare. Dinner will be served at 5:00 p.m at Daycare. Dinners are also available to adults as well. You may obtain a DINNER ORDER FORM at the office.

Tuesday is also the very last day that you may order SCRIP for the rest of the year. All orders and payments must be received no later than 9:00 a.m to ensure a Thursday delivery time. Please contact Mrs. Schwab for comments, questions and concerns.

LAST Wednesday, an invitation to a Saint Margaret Mary New Year's event was enclosed in our Family Take-Home Folders. This awesome GALA will take place on December 31<sup>st</sup> in Hegarty Hall. Please refer to the flyer/invitation for details. If you are interested, please act quickly. Tickets for this event are limited and selling quite fast. All proceeds will go to World Youth Day and the school.

Have a wonderful week. See you all Thursday night at 6:30. This is an event, you won't want to miss!!

Blessings,

Mrs. Zimmerman Principal

