

#### Saint Agatha School

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# Newsletter Week of November 24, 2019



# Saint Agatha School Christmas Shopping Night

Please join us this evening from 5-9 p.m. at our annual Christmas Shopping Night.

All Proceeds Benefit Saint Agatha School!

#### Thanksgiving is...

Thanksgiving is a time of gratitude to God, our Creator and Provider, whose guidance and care go before us...and whose love is with us forever.

Thanksgiving is a time to reflect on the changes, to remember that we, too, grow and change from one season of life to another.

Thanksgiving is a time of changing seasons, when leaves turn golden in Autumn's wake and apples are crisp in the first chill breezes of fall.

Let us remember the true meaning of Thanksgiving.

As we see the beauty of Autumn, let us acknowledge the many blessings which are ours...let us think of our families and friends...and let us give thanks in our hearts.

# **Noteworthy News**

**Marks have closed**...Report cards will be distributed on Monday, December 2 ~ K2-Grade 8

**Lands' End** will be having a terrific 50% off sitewide promotion from November  $23^{rd}$  – December  $3^{rd}$ . Should be a great time to stock up on cold weather pieces!



**Basketball season is coming!** We are looking forward to a great season as our middle school boys and girls participate in the South Shore Parochial School Basketball League. Stay tuned for a calendar of scheduled games. The season begins on December 4.

**NO CHESS CLUB** on Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> and the FINAL Chess Club will be on Tuesday, December 3rd.

No BOKs class on Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>.

### The Holidays are coming!

Attached is the **Scrips Gift Card** order form. Families can order now and continuing through December 13<sup>th</sup>. **Order form here.** 

Please consider becoming a sponsor for the **Saint Agatha School Winter Windfall Calendar** ~ \$5 per calendar \* 31 chances to win Great Christmas gifts and stocking stuffers. **Sponsor form attached.** 

**COAT Drive at Saint Agatha School continues!** Chloe McGrath is spearheading a coat drive sponsored by Jordan's Furniture and Anton's Cleaners. Please bring in gently used coats to SAS and Chloe will be sure they are delivered! **flyer attached** 

#### **Academy Tutors:**

Academy Tutors take place on Mondays and run from 2:30-3:30. Six National Honor Society student from Fontbonne Academy will work with students on homework, other school assignments, and help students study for tests. Please email Miss Perez at vperez@stagathaparish.org, if you would like your child to attend.





**FOOD Drive** ~ Thanks to all who donated to our holiday food drive thus far. The Milton Food Pantry picked up donations today. We will continue collecting non-perishables through Wednesday, Nov. 27th. Thak you!

#### Student Corner





**Our Running Club** participated in a cross country meet yesterday at Pope John Paul Park. The weather was perfect! A big, huge shout out to all the runners who worked hard all season and always put forth their best effort and to Ms. Powers and Mrs. Leary for their leadership! We are so proud of them! Congratulations to Bruno, Nathan, Jessica, Jackie, and Ella for placing. It was a great season and we are sad to see it come to an end. We are already looking forward to next fall...Keep on running everyone!



Congratulations to Chloe McGrath, Gr. 7! Chloe is the proud recipient of Harvard Pilgrim Health Care's 10th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Creative Expressions Contest. This year's celebration focuses on the theme "A drum major for justice, peace and righteousness." Applicants were asked to respond in their own way to the theme above with specific focus on the question: "What have you done or what are you doing in your community that will bring about change that will continue Dr. King's vision of equality for all? Chloe will receive a \$500.00 scholarship and attend a celebratory luncheon in January. Today, Friday, Chloe visited Harvard Pilgrim's Wellesley office and was interviewed and videotaped reading a portion of her essay! (Stay tuned for a link to the interview!)



**Students in Grade 6** helped host last Sunday's Family Mass. They proudly participated as greeters, servers, readers, and gift bearers.

#### FSA News

**Thank you** to the families that have already subscribed to the FSA, In order to keep the community building activities, we need the help of each one of you. This year's dues of \$20 are due. FSA's yearly subscription form here!

The FSA has created a sign up genius link for upcoming events. Volunteers are needed ~ Thank you! **Sign up here! FSA Website** 

# **Upcoming events**

#### November

**23** Concert honoring St. Cecilia, patron saint of music 7 p.m. at St. Agatha Church (featuring our youth choir!)

27 School Mass @ 9; Early dismissal; No extended day

#### **December**

- 2 Report cards distributed, K2-Gr. 8
- **5** Conferences 5-7 p.m.
- **6** Early Dismissal, Conferences 12:30-3 p.m.
- **7** Barnes & Noble Christmas Book Fair 10-4 p.m.

December calendar here.

# Mrs. Besinger's Notes

Mrs. Besinger has started conducting annual hearing tests. To report an absence: rn@stagathaparish.org or 617-696-3548 x204

# **Neighborhood News**

#### MILTON PARKS AND RECREATION

**16th ANNUAL 2019 Snowball Winter Basketball League. Flyer here!** Any additional questions please call the Parks and Recreation Office @ 617-898-4940

**Dr. Lester Hartman** will be speaking at Mount Alvernia High School,790 Centre Street, Newton, MA 02458 on the Dangers of Vaping on Monday, December 2nd at 6:30pm. Dr. Hartman is a pediatrician and public health advocate. He was recently interviewed about the campaign to curb youth vaping. **Click here to see.** This event is open to the public.

What has parents buzzing in the Milton community? Perhaps it is the 24th Annual Milton Cotillion beginning in January 2020 at Granite Links Golf Club on Quarry Hills Drive in Quincy.

More info found here!

The weekly Newsletter can also be found on the website.