

# THE ROYAL REVIEW

**Principal's Corner** 

#### PREPARING FOR ADVENT

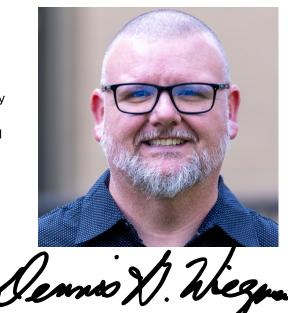
II hope that all of you had a restful and blessed Thanksgiving holiday. I spent most of my time catching up with my oldest daughter, who was home from college, decorating for the Christmas season and we also had the opportunity to go down to Lucas Oil field and watch the Bishop Luers Knights win a 2A state title in football. It was so nice to relax and spend time with my loved ones.

Yesterday, we celebrated Christ the King and the end of the liturgical year. It is hard to believe that we are merely 20+ days away from celebrating the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. As we prepare to enter into this season of Advent, I encourage you all to reflect on the past year and to think about all of the things in your life that bring you joy. I cannot help but think about my children, my wife, all of my friends, and all of the school families and employees that make Queen of Angels special for me.

Joy comes in all forms, but to know that we are in a building where Jesus is with us and guiding us on our spiritual journey brings me extra joy! We have the opportunity to spread the Gospel and to evangelize on a daily basis; four days a week we are blessed with the opportunity to attend the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass as a school family. How blessed and joyous are we, to have this beautiful moment every week?

As you are reflecting on the joy that you have in your hearts, remind yourself of all of the beautiful things that the Lord has done for you and your family. If you are struggling this season, know that we are praying for you and that we want to help you to have the joy that Jesus calls us to have.

Many blessings this Advent season, and may the Blessed Mother continue to intercede and wrap her mantle around us. Have a blessed week and may Mary, Queen of Angels, pray for US!



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#### **ADVENT ACTIVITIES**





#### **Dates To Remember:**

**Saturday, Dec. 2: Kids Night Out** (Grades PK-5) from 6:00-8:00 p.m.; Pre-Registration required

**Wednesday, Dec. 6: St. Nicholas Day** (St. Nicholas will make a surprise visit to classes during the school day)

Wednesday, Dec. 6: Christmas Program (grades PK-3 & Band); 6 p.m.

**Thursday, Dec. 7: Winter Sports Pictures** right after school (BRING UNIFORM TO SCHOOL!)

Friday, Dec. 8: Spelling Bee for Grades 4-8

**Monday, Dec. 11-13: Christmas Boutique** Shopping at school (more information coming home soon!)

Wednesday, Dec. 20: Las Posadas Celebration (see flyer below)

Christmas Break: (December 21-January 3)

Thursday, Dec. 4: Return to School

**PLEASE NOTE:** Our E-Learning Day scheduled for Friday, February 16 has been moved to Friday, February 9. Please make this change on your calendar.

#### **HASA NEWS**

\*Our "Movie Night/Kids Night Out" is scheduled for this Saturday, December 2 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. (Pre-registration required)
\*Christmas Boutique Days (where children can shop for their family members) will be Monday-Wednesday, December 11-13 (more information coming soon)

HASA Meetings: (Mondays at 6 p.m. in the Spanish Room) All parents and school staff are welcome to come help us plan this year's events.

January 22 March 18 April 22



One of the most significant and long-awaited dates for our Queen Of Angels community is approaching: Las Posadas.

We will be sending you information about the organization of this beautiful party and how we can help.

Do not hesitate to listen to and practice in family the traditional song for Las Posadas in the following link.

https://youtu.be/EyTIRF7gvrE?si=IRM3DRuu4ejAHN4e

Ya se acerca una de las fechas más significativas y esperadas por nuestra comunidad Queen Of angels: Las Posadas.

Muy pronto les haremos llegar información acerca de la organización de esta linda fiesta y cómo podemos ayudar.

No duden en escuchar y practicar en familia la canción tradicional de Las Posadas en el siguiente enlace.

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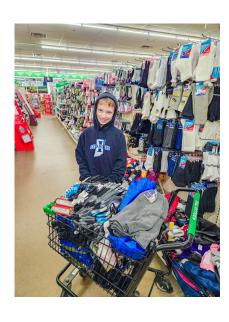
## Servant Leadership in Action

For the past three years, 4th grader, Paxton White, has been called to bless those in need. While Paxton and his family traveled around town, he was saddened to see how many people were in need. The Lord placed this on his heart and with the assistance of his Mom and Dad, he started getting items from the Dollar Store and created bags with items for people in need.

More recently, Paxton's family and friends have been donating money to the cause and this has allowed the blessings to expand. This year Paxton and his family provided **50** "**Blessing Bags**" to the Rescue Mission.

God Bless you Paxton, and thank you for demonstrating Servant Leadership!

If you and your family have similar ways you give or activities that demonstrate "Servant Leadership," please contact Mr. Wiegmann.







### **Athletics:**



Winter Sports Pictures will take place right after school on Thursday, December 7. Players should bring their cleaned uniforms to school that day!

Boys and Girls basketball games can be found on our website at: <a href="https://school.org/school-sports">https://school.org/school-sports</a>

#### Home Game Concessions and Gate Help!

JV Basketball Boys Games:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084EABA729A2FEC43-45789280-boys

Varsity Basketball Boys Scrimmages:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084EABA729A2FEC43-45790024-boys

If you have other questions, please email our Athletic Director at: <u>alex.cruz@queenofangelsschool.com</u>

#### **SCRIP NEWS**



Use the Raise Right App on your phone to make purchases in 100s of stores or buy gift cards for the holidays through our Queen of Angels SCRIP Program and earn money towards your child's tuition and to help Queen of Angels! Order forms can also be requested in the school office.



#### **Parish News**

## Christmas Decoration Volunteers Needed (Are you looking for volunteer hours?)

Volunteers are needed to help with setting up the Christmas decorations on Saturday, December 23, at 10:30am. Please meet in the church. Service hours are available for students. For questions, please contact Julie Harber at 426-5564.

The Rosary Society is inviting us to pray the following "Advent Prayer," for our priest, Father Spenser, each day during Advent: (There are also copies of this prayer in the back of church)

Mary Mother of Jesus, throw your mantle of purity over our pastor, Fr. Spenser St. Louis. Protect him, guide him, and keep him in your heart. Be a Mother to him, especially in times of discouragement and loneliness. Love him and keep him belonging completely to Jesus. Like Jesus, he too is your son, so keep his heart pure. Keep his mind filled with Jesus and put Jesus always on his lips, so that He is the one he offers to sinners and to all he meets. Mary, Mother of Jesus be his Mother, loving him and bringing him joy. Mary, bless him and keep a special place for him in your heart. Give him a piece of your heart, so beautiful and pure and immaculate, so full of love and humility, so that he too can grow in the likeness of Christ. Dear Mary, make him humble like you, and holy like Jesus. Amen

Suggestions for sacrifices to offer up for Fr. Spenser's intentions: Getting up early to pray, acts of kindness, giving up a favorite food or beverage, praying an Our Father, Hail Mary or Glory Be, offering aches, pains, & any daily duties, joys, sorrows or sufferings.

#### **Bishop Dwenger News**

8th Grade Merit Exam: Bishop Dwenger High School will administer the incoming 9th grade Merit Scholarship Exam to any 8th grade student interested in competing for a total of \$5,000 in scholarship money to attend Bishop Dwenger High School. Registration deadline is Thursday, November 30, 2023. The registration cost is \$30.00. Please contact Ms. Henderson if you need another form.

#### Be a Saint, Apply Now!



Bishop Dwenger High School new student enrollment is open for the Class of 2028! Now through January 15, all students can apply to become a Saint! Continue your Catholic education by attending Bishop Dwenger. Founded on the four pillars of spirituality, service, academics, and active, all students are taught be "Citizens of Two World" by embracing a college preparatory curriculum rooted in the Catholic Faith. Join the Class of 2028 today by going to

bishopdwenger.com > Menu button (top right) > Admissions > New Student Application. All applications are completed online through the link provided on the page. In honor of the school's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the registration fee is waived through February 1. If you have any questions regarding Admissions or want to learn more about what Bishop Dwenger has to offer, contact the Admissions Coordinator, Cindy Johnson at 260-496-4703 or at cjohnson@bishopdwenger.com.



## **FUTURE QUEEN OF ANGELS PLAYGROUND**



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