

# St. Therese Catholic School

## December 2021

### STS Newsletter

*Faith, Service and Learning in a  
Christ-like environment for every student.*

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#### December's Liturgy

3	St. Francis Xavier, memorial
6	St. Nicholas day
7	St. Ambrose, memorial
8	Immaculate Conception, Holy Day (Mary conceived w/o sin)
9	St. Juan Diego
11	St. Damasus I, pope memorial
12	Our Lady of Guadalupe
13	St. Lucy, memorial
14	St. John of the Cross, memorial
21	St Peter Canisius, memorial
23	St. John of Kanty, memorial
25	Nativity of the Lord (Octave of Christmas)
26	St. Stephen, 1 <sup>st</sup> Martyr (Octave of Christmas)
27	St. John the Apostle/Evangelist (Octave of Christmas)
28	Holy Innocents, (Octave of Christmas)
29	St. Thomas Becket, (Octave of Christmas)
30	Octave of Christmas
31	St. Sylvester I, pope memorial (Octave of Christmas)

#### Online Family Portal (FACTS SIS)

We are in full swing with the Family Portal. You should be able to see calendars, lunches, class schedules, and directory for teachers. Please call if you need any assistance.

Just a note on **DECEMBER 7, FACTS SIS and FACTS FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT** will be down for several hours beginning at 10 am while we update the system. Following the shutdown, families will be able to access both student information and financial information on one login.



#### Uniforms and Sweatshirts

[www.stthereseschoolabq/uniforms](http://www.stthereseschoolabq/uniforms) This link is for polos

We have received the STS sweatshirts. We have youth and adult sizes. If you would like a sweatshirt, please call the office and we will take the shirt to your child's room and charge the cost to your FACTS account. The sweatshirts are \$20 and these can be worn in the classroom! Purchase a sweatshirt today!

## December Calendar

2	Weekly school Mass: 6 <sup>th</sup> grade hosts the Mass Advent
5	School Mass @ St. Therese Church: 6 <sup>th</sup> grade hosts the Mass arrive by 9:45 am
6	St. Nicholas Day, treats in shoes at end of the day
7	Pearl Harbor remembrance
8	Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation honoring Mary as being conceived without sin School Mass today: 8 <sup>th</sup> grade hosts Mass
9	No school Mass today
15	Christmas school performance cancelled
15	Confessions 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> grade
16	Weekly school Mass: 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade hosts the Mass
17	Spelling bee
17	Christmas classroom parties 12:30 pm dismissal
18-January 3	No classes Christmas Break
January 4	Students return from Break

## School Mass Schedule – December



2	6 <sup>th</sup> grade hosts the weekly Thursday Mass 8:15 am
5	6 <sup>th</sup> grade hosts the Sunday Mass at St. Therese 10:00 am
8	8 <sup>th</sup> grade hosts the weekly Thursday Mass 8:15 am
16	2 <sup>nd</sup> grade hosts the weekly Thursday Mass 8:15 am

## STS Events

Just a reminder: Our school Christmas program is **cancelled** for December 15.

Spelling bee December 17



*School Dress Code: This is just a reminder that we do have a dress code for St. Therese. A recap of some of the policy is: sneakers, blue, black, or white (no light ups or wheelies), no boots, Mass uniform is a white shirt, tie for both girls and boys (no bow ties), blue slacks for boys, plaid skirt or jumper for girls. Hair should have conservative clips or ponytail holders, no big bows or animal ears. Boys' cuts should not be trendy and the hair should be cut above the collar. Girls can wear clear nail polish only. No artificial nails or colored polish. I hope this helps, but the full policy is in the handbook.*





We do have in the office three First Communion Dresses and one First Communion suit that were donated to the school. If this can help you in preparing for First Communion, come in and check them out!

## COVID



We had a string of COVID cases over Thanksgiving. Please make sure to keep your student home if they are exhibiting any symptoms of cough, fever, stomach/bowel issues, or sore throat. I know that many have told me that they are in the process of getting their children vaccinated. If you do get your child vaccinated, please inform the office so that we can update your immunizations record. Also, if you have been tested for COVID, with either a home test or at the doctor's office or testing site, please have your student stay home until results are given. If a negative result, please send your child to school. A positive result, call the office and inform us of when you received the positive result and when (if any) symptoms began. We can then give an informed quarantine schedule for your student. Those students who are quarantined may join school online. There is NOT an option for online school unless you have been quarantined by the school. We are currently watching the new strain, Omicron, and will follow any changes to the CDC / DOH guidelines.



You can attach your Smith's Rewards card to St. Therese Parochial School with your Smith's digital account. Visit by clicking or copying/pasting for info how to set up this easy fundraiser:

<https://www.smithsfoodanddrug.com/i/community/smiths-inspiring-donations>



Shopping online? Choose smile.amazon.com and add St. Therese. Sign in to **smile.amazon.com** on your desktop or mobile phone browser. From your desktop, go to Your Account and **select** the option to Change your Charity. Or, from your mobile browser, **select** Change your Charity from the options at the bottom of the page. **Select** a new charitable organization to **support**.



**APIAL is our sport program. Flag Football and Girls basketball are currently active. Consider coming to one of their games. Games are listed on the APIAL website [apialsports.com](http://apialsports.com)**