



#### Advent Season has started....ECEC News Dec. 2, 2022

### ADVENT SEASON

Children are learning about Advent. Each classroom has a nativity set and visit the Advent wreath in church. Teachers are reading the Christmas story and talking about Mary, Joseph and their journey. Children learned about the Angel Gabriel, that spoke to Mary to tell her about her baby.

Advent is a special time to prepare for Jesus' birth. Each day in class, children are learning a new word and short bible story related to Advent preparation and waiting for Jesus birth.

Each Monday during Advent, the school gathers in church around the Advent wreath. We light the candles, sing a few songs and read a Bible verse. It was a joyous time. Each campus is also gathering on Monday's to celebrate Advent as a community.



# **Body and Balance and Gym Class**

Children work with Ms. Holman on Monday, Wednesday or Friday in the Cafeteria or classroom to work on body coordination and gross motor skills. Children work on different balance and coordination position to gain strength in their arms and leg muscles. Ask your child to show you some positions.



# ADVENT PROGRAM FOR ECEC

This year will be having an Advent Program on Dec. 8

We will have two groups so more family can attend the program.

6:00 p.m. Ladybug, Zoo Train, Flamingo and Chameleon rooms

6:45 p.m. Butterfly, Tortoise, Seahorse rooms

The Rainbow, Shining Stars and Frog rooms will not be singing at this program. We feel they are still too young and we don't want to overwhelm them with a church full of people.

Children should dress up for the evening in their Christmas best. You are welcome to invite Grandparents or have family attend. We just ask that if possible to carpool. More details on drop off and procedures for that evening will come out later.



#### SANTA'S WORKSHOP SHOPPING

Dec. 12 and Dec. 13

Children can go shopping for up to 4 Adults in their family. Thank you to all the families that donated items for the workshop. We have some fabulous items.

Children should bring \$1 for each item. All money sent will be used as a donation for the event and to help with extra supplies.

Each child should have 1 envelop with the names of the people they are shopping for and the child's name. Volunteers and staff that take each child one-on-one to shop at the tables. Presents will be wrapped and placed in bags. We try our best to keep mugs and other breakable items wrapped up safe. You can send the envelop to school anytime before the workshop starts.



# LITTLE LAMBS PLAYGROUP

The *Little Lambs* playgroup will meet in the gymnasium at the HCA-SMA campus from 9-10:30am on the following Fridays this fall: 9/16, 10/21, 11/18, and 12/9. Parents/caregivers and their children (birth to preschool age) in the Holy Cross parish community are invited to come! Older siblings are also welcome to join. For more information, contact Kay Sisk -kaysisk@gmail.com.

HCA Little Lambs

## ALL ARE WELCOME -INVITE A FRIEND

## HCPA HAPPENINGS

1. Our next HCPA meeting will be held on December 14th at 6:30 pm in the St. Michael's cafeteria. We hope to see you there in person or on Facebook Live!

2. We will be doing the Betty's Books fundraiser this year from December 2nd-December 4th! 20% of all sales will go back to HCA! Be sure to check out the flier attached for more details. We hope to see you there!

3. Santa's Workshop will be on December 12th and 13th for the ECEC and December 7th for SMA and OLP! We are currently accepting item donations for the ECEC and you can drop off at any time during school hours at JP2! More information to come through your child's folders!

4. The campus crawl has a new date! We hope to see any new families, preschool families, and prospective families on January 21st! More information to come next week! Please help to get the word out about our awesome schools!

### UPCOMING DATES:

- Dec. 2 Early Dismissal Day 11:45 a.m.
- Dec. 8 ASP closes at 5:00 p.m. for Advent program
- Dec. 8 Advent Program ECEC campus 6:00 p.m. and 6:45 p.m.
- Dec. 12 Santa's Workshop 8:00-11:00
- Dec. 13 Santa's Workshop 8:00-10:00
- Dec. 21 Early Dismissal All Children at 11:45 NO ASP
- Dec. 22- January 3 Christmas Break
- January 4 Return to School
- January 6 Early Dismissal at 11:45









Join us for our fundraiser!

- **Shopping Dates:**
- Friday, December 2nd Sunday, December 4th
- Online and in-store purchasing!
- 20% of sales go back to the school!

Please note "Holy Cross Academy" at checkout in person and online.

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#### BREAKFAST WITH SANTA Sponsored by OLP Men's Club

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2022

Our Lady of Providence Cafeteria 8:30am - 11:00am

Breakfast Buffet Includes: Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage, Biscuits & Gravy, Juice, Milk and Coffee

All kids will receive a special treat from Santa.

No RSVP Required! Adults: \$10 Children: \$5 Children Under 4: Free Pay at the Door: Cash only Don't Forget Your Camera!



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