St. Ann School

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Lunch supervision volunteers must arrive by 11:15 AM

Total for 15 Lunches for December: \$43.50

Monday, Dec. 8 **Hamburger or Cheeseburger**

Supervision Caravella, Schafer Tuesday, Dec. 9 **Baked Potato Bar Supervision** Ellison, Lang

Wednesday, Dec. 10 **Spaghetti and Meat Sauce**

Supervision Nelson, Wise

Thursday, Dec. 11 **Pancakes and Sausage Patty**

Supervision Milbrath, Wise

Friday, Dec. 12 Subs

Supervision Lang, NEEDED

Volunteer Lunch Supervisors needed December 11 & 18. Please sign-up on Sign up Genius (info@stannsschool.org) if you can fill in. Thanks.

Basket Raffle Items

In preparation for the largest St. Ann School Fundraising Event, the raffle basket themes have been assigned to classrooms and are listed below.

Basket #1 Date Night -Sponsored by Kindergarten and 1st Grade Basket #2 Toys & Technology for Girls - Sponsored by 2nd Grade Basket #3 Toys & Technology for Boys - Sponsored by 3rd Grade

Basket #4 Kindle - Sponsored by 4th Grade Basket #5 Family Fun - Sponsored by 5th Grade

Wisconsin Sports - Sponsored by 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Basket #6

We ask that parents either donate an item that aligns with their student's classroom basket theme and/or let the fundraising committee do the shopping for you by making a cash donation for the raffle baskets. All raffle basket donated items and cash donations should be turned into Mrs. Carrano in the school office by no later than Monday December 15th, 2014.

We will also be continuing the 'Wine Raffle' for the Spaghetti Dinner Fundraising Event. Please help our wine raffle be more successful than ever! We are asking each family to donate one bottle of wine. Each bottle donated will enter you in a raffle to win a gas card. The drawing for the gas card will be Monday December 15th, just in time for your Holiday travels. Please drop off your wine donations at the school office by Monday December 15th or before.

Thanks for your support of St. Ann School!

Please join us for School Mass on Monday, December 8 at 8:10 AM for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Also, please join us on Friday, December 12 at 2:15 PM for a bi-lingual prayer service for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.



Don't forget to order SCRIP for your gift-giving, purchasing needs. Monday, December 8 and 15 are all SCRIP Order dates. Shop early and avoid the rush with your SCRIP gift cards. Just email Diane Neumeyer at neumeyerdiane@yahoo.com

Thanks for supporting St. Ann School through SCRIP.



There is a lot going on in December at Market Day! This month's free items are a 1 lb. Market Day bag of Broccoli Florets with a \$40 or more purchase and a 1 lb. Pork Tenderloin with a \$90 or more online purchase with the promo code: DECBONUS. New this year is the Holiday Chocolate Collection! For \$25 you can purchase five different signature boxed

chocolates and our school makes 25% profit on their sale. These can only be purchased online so check them out! Don't forget to qualify for your Freequent Buyer gift! If you have purchased \$40 or more for two months between September and November. then order \$40 or more in December so you can receive your free Salad Bowl Serving Set! All orders are due on Wednesday 12/10. All paper orders need to be turned into the Market Day box outside the teacher's lounge by 3pm and all online orders need to be in by 11pm. Pick-up is on Monday 12/15 in the gym from 4-6pm. If you have any issues with picking up your order, please contact Koreen Kuhn to make arrangements at 712-4126 or at jhkuhn@charter.net.



Principal's Corner

For the upteenth time, I watched "A Charlie Brown Christmas" tonight. The rest of my family was away at their various commitments, so there I was alone, practically reciting the lines myself. It has long been my favorite Christmas special, from the memorable dances to the infamous tree. I think, however, what puts it at the top of my list is that quiet moment when Linus has his famous monologue about the true meaning of Christmas. In fact, if memory serves me correctly, with the exception of "The Little Drummer Boy," it is one of the only specials that leaves Santa and commercialism behind and quotes from Scripture about the birth of Jesus. Even now after all these years, that part of the movie brings a tear to my eye.

We are now officially in the Advent Season, and we are preparing our hearts for the coming of Jesus. During these few weeks, our students will be paying special attention to treating each other with love and kindness. Our bulletin board "path" is beginning to build, and soon Grades 3-8 will be attending reconciliation. Please continue to talk to your children not only about kindness but about forgiveness as well. Father Randy's homily hit the mark for many of this weekend when he talked about readying our hearts for Christ's coming by letting go of grudges, power, and the "ugliness" that can clutter our hearts. The following prayer is a great one to share with your children:

A Prayer for Kindness

Keep us, O God, from all pettiness.

Let us be large in thought, in word, in deed.

Let us be done with fault-finding and leave off selfseeking.

May we put away all pretense and meet each other face to face,

without self-pity and without prejudice.

May we never be hasty in judgment, and always be generous.

Let us always take time for all things, and make us to grow calm, serene and gentle. Teach us to put into action our better impulses,

to be straightforward and un afraid.

Grant that we may realize that it is the little things

of life that create differences; that in the big things of life, we are as one.

And, O Lord God, let us not forget to be kind! Amen

Candy Cane Sales are back! During the lunch period, students can buy candy canes for 25 cents each to send to their friends! Sales will be in the lunchroom from 11:00-11:45, Tuesday, December 9th-16th. Proceeds go to help pay for the 6th, 7th 8th grade science field trip. Happy Holidays!



Donate Your Best Buy Rewards Points to St. Ann School

The Spaghetti Dinner/Basket Raffle Committee is preparing for our biggest fundraiser of the year. Once again the Spaghetti Dinner Committee is asking that you consider donating your **Best Buy Rewards Points** to St Ann School when shopping at Best Buy. Simply give the school phone number, <u>608-873-3343</u> at check out and the points can be credited to St Ann School, to be converted to cash used to purchase basket items for the school's largest fundraiser. We thank you, in advance, for your generosity to St. Ann School.