

St. Peter's Messenger—December 1, 2016



The theme of Fr. Steve's homily this morning focused on two areas: one, placing our utmost trust in our Dad in Heaven, and performing acts of generosity and kindness to others, using the recent Cranksgiving and feeding the hungry as just one example of how St. Peter's has served others. We educators who work daily with your children understand the great responsibility we have and recognize the trust that you place in us, as well, each day. We could not do what we do here without ultimate trust in God. "Peace comes from trusting God and His ways in our lives—through good times and hard times. Needing God is the key to knowing Him better, and knowing God is the greatest gift of all." Our students are also serving others by helping provide Christmas to over 90 children at the Seton Center! This provided a perfect segue into our celebration of a teacher and many students who were recognized by teachers for their Christ Skill of Generosity this morning at the conclusion of Mass. Congratulations for being giving and willing to share!

We do have a few extra poinsettias for sale—all small sizes (6.5" pots) for \$15; we have a couple pink, one white, and six red. If you would like to buy, please come to the school office tomorrow morning. First come, first served. These are lovely poinsettias from Farrand Farm.

The PTA and STP Reward\$ will be hosting a Christmas Coffee with card sales tomorrow, Friday, December 2, from 7:45-9 am in the school lobby. Stop by to shop, enjoy coffee, or place an order that will be available for pick up on December 9. Also, the Jr. High Choir, along with the Youth choir, will be sharing an impromptu mini-concert in the gym during the Coffee. Singing will begin at 8 am; we hope you will enjoy some holiday cheer while socializing and shopping! Do you give gift cards for Christmas gifts? Do you give your staff "small gifts" for the Holidays? Do you want to order a large quality of cards to hand out? If you would like a large volume order, please contact Jennifer Lombardi directly to place your order. STP Reward\$ cards will be for sale after the 5pm Mass on December 12, and 9 and 11 am Masses on December 13. Card orders for Social Services will also be available. Pick up cards or order cards that will be available the following weekend. For questions, contact Jennifer Lombardi at Jennifer.lombardi89@gmail.com

Our next **PTA Dining Night Out** is next Tuesday, December 6, from 4-8 pm at the Brookside Panera (flyers were included in Tuesday's Messenger Envelopes). You must present the hard copy or electronic flyer (we'll send electronic reminder next week) in order for St. Peter's to earn profits.

For Parents of Eighth Graders—St. Michael the Archangel Catholic High School will administer the High School Placement Test (HSPT) on Saturday, December 10th at 8:00am. The test will be at Archbishop O'Hara High School, and will cost \$15 per student. Any eighth-grade student interested in attending St. Michael the Archangel is required to take the High School Placement Test. Sign-ups are now open at smacatholic.org/placement Students must participate in the HSPT on December 10th to be eligible for scholarships at SMA. The HSPT will be used by the administration to appropriately recommend classes for each student. The test will include a welcome from the SMA administration, testing, and community building with future classmates. Pizza will be provided by SMA. Students can be picked up at 12:00.

Speaking of eighth graders...we know that several had a great time at a Bingo Party last Sunday with some of our VIPS (Vintage Parishioners). Together, the group raised \$110 for Social Services! To see a few photos, check out the Facebook page @ <https://www.facebook.com/St.Peters.KCMO/?fref=ts>

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