

## SAINT IGNATIUS LOYOLA WEEKLY

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Dear Parents,

As we prepare to go our separate ways next week for Thanksgiving, I felt it was fitting to leave with a prayer.

### *A Prayer for Thanksgiving*

Loving God,  
We turn our hearts to you on this  
day for giving thanks, mindful of  
your many gifts.  
For each one, we are grateful.  
For each one, we are blessed.  
For each one we opened to the  
abundance of your love.  
May the Thanksgiving Day offer a  
reminder to be generous with others,  
as you are with us.  
We praise you.  
We rejoice in you.  
We give you thanks.  
Amen.

On behalf of Father Yesalonia, Ms. Savarese, the Faculty and Staff, I wish you a Happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

Mary E. Larkin

Attached to the Weekly are the following:

Safety Patrol December Calendar - Grade 1  
Parent Christmas Cocktail Party - Grades K-8  
Brunch with Santa - Grades K-8  
Christmas Raffle - Grades K-8

Please review these materials and promptly return those that need to be returned.

### **\*Important to Note:**

- Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> - **Parent Christmas Fair Craft Night** from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.
- Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> – **Thanksgiving Mass** for Grades K-8 at 1:15 p.m. in the church. All are welcome to attend.
- Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> – **Thanksgiving Recess Begins. 12:00 p.m. Dismissal. No After School Care.**
- Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup> – **Thanksgiving Day – No School.**

- Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup> – **Thanksgiving Recess – No School.**
- Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup> – **First Sunday of Advent.**
- Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup> – **School Resumes.**
- Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> – **Reconciliation** Grades 3-5 at 1:15 p.m. in the church.
- Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> – **Advent Prayer Service** for Grades 4-8 at 8:45 a.m. in McKinnon Hall.
- Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> – **Reconciliation** Grades 6-8 at 1:15 p.m. in the church.

**\*Parent Information:**

- **Second Grade Information**  
Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup> – **Parent Reconciliation Meeting** at 3:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. in Wallace Hall. Please note that you need to attend only one of the meetings.
- **Exciting News to Share**  
As our country cast ballots last Tuesday, the students of Saint Ignatius Loyola School also took time out of their morning to vote for the Student Government Officers. 10 students from the sixth grade to the eighth grade took the stage in McKinnon Hall to share their platforms with their fellow classmates.

**The following students' names were on the ballot:**

**President**

Nicolas Casey  
Thomas Clarke  
Valentina Marini Fichera  
Thomas Nugent

**Vice President**

Sophia Choi  
Adrian Gilly  
Phillip Krauss

**Secretary**

Chloe Forcier  
Christian Di Monte

**Treasurer**

Olivia Burke

**The 2016-2017 Student Government Officers are:**

Thomas Clarke - President  
Adrian Gilly - Vice President  
Chloe Forcier - Secretary  
Olivia Burke – Treasurer

Congratulations to our candidates and our new Student Government Officers!

- **Annual Toy Drive**  
Once again this year, we will be partnering with the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola in the Annual Toy Drive. The toys donated are to benefit the children from the Church of St. Mary of the Assumption and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel – St. Benedicta. Beginning Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> through Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, we will be collecting the new, unwrapped toys. The toys should be placed under the prayer table in McKinnon Hall.

**Suggested Items**

Play-Doh  
Nerf footballs  
Youth footballs  
Coloring books & crayons  
Barbie dolls  
Simple dolls

Bracelet-making kits for girls  
Building sets for boys  
Backpacks for any age  
Clothes, but only sweatpants & sweatshirts  
(Must be youth sizes- small, medium, large & extra-large)

Thank you in advance for your continued kindness and outpouring of generosity.

- **News from the Development Office**

**Christmas Events**

Hard to believe the Christmas Fair is just two weeks away!!!

There is much to be done. Please join us at our Annual **Christmas Craft Night, Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.** in the cafeteria. We are looking forward to an evening of craft making, basket making, pricing and most importantly spending time together.

**Gourmet Baskets**

Thank you to those of you who have donated items to be used in the **gourmet baskets** to be sold at the Christmas Fair. If you wish to donate to the baskets, we are in need of the following items:

**Baked/Packaged Goods**

Cookies (i.e. biscotti, gingerbread), chocolates, crackers, breadsticks. It is important to note the baked/packaged items will be used in either the baskets or sold at the café during the fair.

**Gift Basket Items**

Gourmet coffees, teas and hot chocolate, gourmet jams, chutneys, jellies, small jars of honey, agave and syrup, pastas, grains, sauces, olive oil, balsamic vinegar, cooking utensils – etc.

**Libation Basket Items**

Champagne, prosecco, port, cordials; gourmet snack foods (spreads, crackers), etc., stemware.

To ensure that the assembly of baskets begins at Christmas Craft Night, kindly drop off your donations to the main office by Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>. Please label the items as such. Donations of cookies and donuts to be sold at the café during the fair, may be dropped off on Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Christmas Fair Weekend Volunteers**

The Special Events Committee along with our event Co-Chairs have the list of parents who have filled in the “Fundraising Volunteer Form” in September.

Please contact Kim Evans if your plans have changed and you are unable to volunteer. If you missed the “volunteer form” and would like to volunteer at the Christmas Fair, do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Evans.

**Christmas Cocktail Party**

Please remember to send in your R.S.V.P. so we can plan accordingly.

**Brunch with Santa**

Do not forget to respond sooner rather than later to get your preferred brunch seating.

Christmas Fair Weekend does take a village of extra special elves to be a success! **THANK YOU!**

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