

# WEEKLY

# Wrap



## St. Rose of Lima School

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



### Reflections of Advent Week 3-Gaudete Sunday: JOY

This third candle is pink and symbolizes rejoicing. During the third week of Advent we are filled with joy for the near arrival of Jesus on Christmas Day. This Sunday is called Gaudete Sunday as we reflect on the joy the shepherds felt at the birth of Jesus.

Dear Families:

Everyone is very excited about Christmas and some rest and relaxation with our families. Let's all work together to get through this last week of school before our Christmas break.

**Week 3 Advent Resources:** This third candle is pink and symbolizes rejoicing. During the third week of Advent we are filled with joy for the near arrival of Jesus on Christmas Day. Yesterday was called Gaudete Sunday, and we reflect on the joy the shepherds felt at the birth of Jesus. Check out [this reflection for Week 3](#) of Advent you can read with your kids as you light your Advent Wreaths.

**Family Directories:** Family Directories will be coming home with the youngest or only child in the family this week. If you are a split household and need a second copy of the directory, please contact Mrs. Thomas via email at [stthomas@strosenj.com](mailto:stthomas@strosenj.com).

**Girls Basketball (3rd & 4th Grade):** Registration or 3rd and 4th girls basketball is now open! The program will start in January and sessions will be on Sunday afternoons. (Time TBD.) It will be fun, drills and skills, and scrimmages. The cost is \$20 and includes a Lady Falcons t-shirt! [Click here to Register.](#) Coach Danielle Deery is looking for another coach to help. Reach out to her at [danielledeery@gmail.com](mailto:danielledeery@gmail.com) if you are interested.

**Student Council Sock Drive:** Remind-er that the St. Rose of Lima Student Council is now collecting for their [annual sock drive](#) to help the home- less. New socks can be brought in to classrooms to donate through **Decem-ber 20**. Thank you for your support!

Thank you and God Bless.

Deacon Joe



**Silent Night, Holy Night :** We had a beautiful Christmas Show last week. Thank you to Ms. Knauer and our students and teachers for their work planning this night. As a tradition, we always end our Christmas show with a short Nativity presentation. This year's students did a beautiful job. Joseph & Mary (center) were 8th graders, Benjamin W. and Seren Y. Front row from left: Kindergartners Natalie M., Eloise P., Everly H., and Lachlan H. Second Row animals from left: Kindergartners Colin L. and Cooper A. Third Row from left: Second Grader, Jackson H., 1st Graders Deklan N., Leyton K., and Bryn A., and Second Grader Matthew "Bo" G., Back Row from left First Grader Annabelle G., Second Grader Rosalyn Z., and 1st Grader Nora S.

# SOCK DRIVE!

Donate new socks and help the Student Council warm some soles!

Now collecting! Send into homerooms by December 20!



December 17, 2023

### Coming this week...

#### December 20

- Student Council [Sock Drive](#) Socks Due
- Shrek Interest Meeting @ 2:30 in café (Gr. 3-8)
- Advent Penance Service: 7 p.m. at St. Rose of Lima church

#### December 22

HALF DAY—12:00 Dismissal (NO AFTERCARE)

#### December 23—January 1

Christmas Break—School resumes Tuesday, January 2

*Merry Christmas!*

### Looking Ahead...

#### Early 2024 Highlights

- School Mass & Half Day: January 5
- Early [Registration](#) Deadline: January 15
- MLK Day of Service (During School Day): January 15
- End of 2nd Marking Period: January 19
- Falcon Friday & Pretzels for a Purpose: January 26
- Falcon Fest Beef & Beer: January 27
- Catholic Schools Week: January 28– February 3
- CSW Donuts after Mass: January 28
- CSW Parents' Breakfast: January 29
- School Mass & Half Day: February 2
- Annual Pasta Dinner: February 3
- Late [Registration](#) with late fee: Begins February 13



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## 2024-2025

### Re-Registration NOW OPEN!



### QUICK LINKS

- [2023-2024 Academic Calendar](#)
- [PTA Event Save the Dates](#)
- [Extra Care Program](#)
- [Recess Duty Sign Up & Info](#)
- [Student Lunch Program](#)
- [Fast Weekly Wraps & BG Memos](#)