

# EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT!

## SHCS Saints Newsletter

2022 Edition Volume 7

# DECEMBER

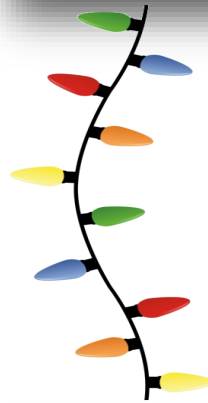


### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Nayeli Arguelles (1st)	11/26
Manuel Pupo (1st)	12/2
Gabino Valdez (5th)	12/9
Aarav Patel (1st)	12/15
Vicente Armendariz (2nd)	12/15
Aidan Moreno (2nd)	12/15
Mrs. Brock	12/16
Evelyn Garcia (5th)	12/19
Yaretzy Moreno (3rd)	12/21
Adelina Ryan (PK)	12/27



The classes have each chosen a different country to research how they spend Christmas.



**Saturday, February 18, 2023**

Our 30th Annual Mardi Gras is right around the corner! Your students were given 2 tickets that you are responsible to sell or buy. Each ticket is \$100. You are also required 4 hours of service either to set up, help during or clean up after.

**MARDI GRAS**

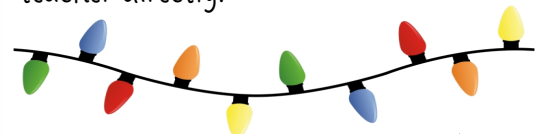
### SAVE THE DATE!

Christmas Parade	12/3
Feast of Immaculate Conception	12/8
Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe	12/12
PSA Meeting at 6 PM	12/13
End of 2nd 9 weeks	12/16
Early Release at 11:30	12/16
Christmas Break	12/19-1/2
Happy Birthday Jesus	12/25



Classroom parties will be on Thurs. Dec. 15th, at 2:00 p.m.

If you'd like to help with your child's classroom party please get with their teacher directly.



"At this Christmas when Christ comes, will He find a warm heart? Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving others with God's own love and concern."

- Mother Teresa

### News from the Principal...

school. Advent is the time when we reflect on our personal relationships with Christ and to prepare for the promise of his return. This year each class has adopted a country for our Christmas Around the World celebration. They will research, decorate and share the traditions of their chosen country. This will hopefully start a new tradition at St. Helena Catholic School. I look forward to the results. Parents, of course are always welcome at our school.

Blessings to all,

Mrs. Roan

We are halfway through another school year. That doesn't even seem possible. This is the busiest time of year for



# What's happening in class...

## Pre-K

We are studying about Christmas in Mexico.  
Learning our vowels, days of the week, months,



## Kindergarten

Kindergarten is working hard on learning story sequence, characters, and settings.

We are learning to apply different math skills such as less than greater than, adding, graphing, and measuring. We are also working hard on learning phonic sounds and applying it to blending CVC words. We are also preparing our hearts in the advent season waiting for the birth of Jesus. We will be learning about different Christmas traditions from around the world focusing on the Philippines.



## 1st Grade

First grade is learning long vowel sounds in Reading. In Math, we are mastering different subtraction strategies. We are going to learn how to make a personalized rosary with names through the help of Mrs. Brown for our service project. We will accept orders from different grade levels who want one.



## 2nd Grade

In Math, we are adding and subtracting big numbers with regrouping. In religion we are learning about Advent and preparing our heart for the birth of Jesus! In reading we are reading and learning about fables!

## 3rd Grade

Third grade is studying various cultures through art and projects. We are also doing a study of Advent and how to prepare our hearts for Jesus in their writing assignments by selecting small ways to pray, fast and give alms. We are getting better every day at multiplication and division and we will also be learning to write more creatively by using different forms of figurative language.



## 4th Grade

Fourth grade is going to cover more in-depth God's Covenants, God's Love, The Beatitudes and studying three saints. Multiplication and mixed problem solving is our focus in math. In Wonders Reading we are reading fantasy stories and realistic fiction in Unit 3 and we will work through Weeks 1-2 with a review. In language arts we are reviewing nouns, verbs, and simple and compound sentences. In social studies we will finish our testing on US states and in science we are studying classifying living things and life cycles. We are blessed to be able to incorporate PE, choir, art, computer, library time and weekly mass. We will also have semester exams in Math, Reading, and Religion.



## 5th Grade

The BRATZ can't believe that their last year at St. Helena is almost half over! We continue our journey through the Forest of Fractions, currently camping at the Lake of Addition and Subtraction. Things in social studies have slowed WAY DOWN; we are spending more time getting to know the 13 English colonies in depth. We have finished the Sacrament of Baptism in religion and are focusing on the events of the Advent and Christmas seasons. Our first fully typed formal essay is due NEXT WEEK, and we are starting our first class full-length book study on BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA. We have 4 semester exams to close off the fall term but we are definitely making time for Las Posadas and our



contribution to Christmas Around the World: Celebrations in Ukraine during the war. Fifth grade RULES!!!