

Saint Teresa School

November 17, 2023



Saint Teresa of the Child Jesus School welcomes students and their families into a dedicated Catholic community, where all are challenged to learn and live by the teachings of Jesus Christ, as they discover and develop the uniqueness each has been given to be used for the betterment of all creation.

Important Dates to Remember!

- Wednesday-Friday, November 22-24
 - **NO SCHOOL- Thanksgiving Break**
- Friday, December 1
 - Middle School Social
- Sunday, December 3
 - K of C Breakfast (details below)
- December 4-8
 - Santa's Workshop
- Tuesday, December 5
 - PTO Meeting
- Saturday, December 9
 - Christmas Tree Lighting
- Thursday, December 14
 - Christmas Concert
- Friday, December 15
 - PTO Christmas Bake Sale & Dress Down
- Sunday, December 17
 - Saint Teresa Night at P-Bruins
- Wednesday, December 20
 - **Dismissal at 11:30**
- Thursday, December 21
 - **Christmas Vacation!**

Principal Update

Good Afternoon STS Families,

I am sure that by now everyone is busy getting ready for Thanksgiving. This week our students collected canned goods for a local food pantry (Saint Vincent de Paul at Saint Jahn Paul II) and today we delivered more than **600 canned goods** for the benefit of those who are struggling. Thank you everyone who sent in canned goods.

We finally finished counting shoes – all total we have collected 1,321 pairs of shoes. We would like to collect another 679 pairs and will be reaching out into the community for support.

I am pleased to announce that we have hired a **kindergarten teacher** – Kim Pierce. Kim has a BA from Bridgewater State College and advanced certification in Art Education (k-8). She founded and ran Little Explorers Family

Childcare Program and is certified as a lead teacher. Last week she spent the day with kindergarten and had the opportunity to meet the children and some of the parents during the walk-a-thon. We welcome her to the STS community. She will be starting next Tuesday. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Hardy for having done such a nice job with kindergarten for the past two months. We look forward to Mrs. Pierce and Mrs. Hardy partnering together as they continue to offer a quality program to our kindergarten students.

The first trimester ends on November 30th. At the conclusion of the first term, we provide an opportunity for parents to come in and meet with the teachers. Our **parent conference night** will be Tuesday, December 5th from 2:30 to 5:30. Your child's teacher will be reaching out to schedule a meeting time. If you are unable to attend that day, your child's teacher will be more than happy to accommodate with another meeting date. Please know that the meeting will be brief so that all parents will have the opportunity to meet.

The CPR/First aid program for grade 8 students (who have already signed up) is scheduled for November 27th and 28th. We are excited to be offering this opportunity as part of a life skills program.

On December 9th, the parent council will be hosting our annual **Christmas tree lighting**. Please join us for the 4:00 mass at Saint Teresa's parish. The tree lighting (with refreshments) will follow outside after mass at 5:00. Each class has a theme and will be decorating a Christmas tree the week before the lighting – teachers may be reaching out for items to decorate with.

The **annual Christmas concert** will be on December 14th. Like last year, we will have two concerts that evening – pre-kindergarten through grade 2 will perform from 5:45pm to 6:15pm. And grades 3 through 8 will perform starting at 6:45pm. Specific directions concerning dress code, arrival etc. will be sent in a separate email.

We are looking to develop an **in-school tutoring program** to work with students who are struggling (specifically with reading and math). This program will include one new staff person and volunteers. If you know someone who may be interested either in the position or in volunteering, please have them contact me at smansfield@stteresapawtucket.org. Retired educators would be ideal for this program.

Santa's Workshop will be open soon! We are including the schedule for classes to shop, and we will definitely need donations and volunteers. Gift bags are a great need, and we really need parents to help our young shoppers; we need volunteers to bag gifts and to serve as cashiers. We will have items priced between \$3 and \$10 and we will be introducing a lot of new items this year. Please remember that volunteers must have a BCI (through our office) and Safe Environment training.

I am pleased to announce that we are once again offering the **Holiday Card Raffle**. We are hoping for 100% participation; and like the Walk-a-thon, we do not expect families to buy the cards themselves. We are hoping that you will sell them – at work, to friends and family. We are asking each student to sell five cards. For every five cards that a student sells, they will be entered into two drawings- one for a **television** and one for a **chrome book**. Other incentives may follow!

Please note that next week there will be no weekly newsletter. We wish all our families a wonderful Thanksgiving! Enjoy the weekend and we will see everyone on Monday.

Sue Mansfield.

Santa's Workshop is Returning!



SAINT TERESA'S SCHOOL PRESENTS
Santa's Workshop
DECEMBER 4 - 8

ITEMS WILL BE PRICED BETWEEN \$3-10
ALL STUDENTS WILL HAVE THE
OPPORTUNITY TO SHOP DURING
THE WEEK.

VOLUNTEERS AND GIFT WRAP
MATERIALS ARE NEEDED.

ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT
TINA PEREIRA AT
TPEREIRA@STTERESAPAWTUCKET.ORG

Saint Teresa School P-Bruins Night

<http://www.providencebruins.com/sts>



SAINT TERESA'S SCHOOL PTO
PROVIDENCE BRUINS NIGHT

EACH CHILD WILL RECEIVE A P-BRUINS HAT
WITH PURCHASE.

LINK TO PURCHASE TICKETS:
[HTTP://WWW.PROVIDENCEBRUINS.COM/STS](http://www.providencebruins.com/sts)

SUNDAY DECEMBER 17TH | 4:05 PM

AMICA MUTUAL PAVILION
1 LA SALLE SQUARE
PROVIDENCE, RI 02903

ALL
TICKETS
\$22

ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT PTO@STTERESAPAWTUCKET.ORG

Middle School Social

A red invitation card for a Christmas Social. It features a large white cross in the background, decorated with colorful Christmas ornaments (blue, gold, pink, green) hanging from a string of lights. The text is centered and includes the school name, event title, date, DJ name, ticket price, and time. It also mentions that each homeroom should bring a food item and provides the location and dress code.

Saint Teresa Middle School
You Are Invited To

Christmas SOCIAL

The Student Council would like to invite the
Middle School to our first social of the year.

12.1.2023
DJ ROCHA
Tickets \$7 6-9PM
Food - Fun - Music

Each homeroom will be asked to bring in a food item.
Saint Teresa Church Hall
Dress in red, green or ugly Christmas sweater.
Please send money to Mr. Hannon for a ticket.

Christmas Concert

A dark green invitation card for a Christmas Concert. It features a central illustration of a decorated Christmas tree with lights and ornaments, surrounded by snowflakes and wrapped gifts. The text is centered and includes the event title, date, time, and location. It also states that all are invited and that details will follow.

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR ANNUAL

Christmas Concert

DECEMBER 14
PK-GRADE 2 @ 5:45
GRADE 3-8 @ 6:30

ALL ARE INVITED
SAINT TERESA CHURCH HALL
DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Christmas Tree Lighting



K of C Christmas Breakfast



You're Invited!

Keep Christ in Christmas Breakfast

Delaney-St Teresa K of C Council # 57
will be hosting our parish's
Christmas Breakfast once again!

Sunday December 3 from 8 AM-12 PM
in the church hall

Adults: \$10.00
Children 10 and under: \$5.00
Under 2 Free

*See the children's
"Keep Christ in Christmas" Posters!*



Saint Teresa's School PTO
NOVEMBER EVENTS

7th: PTO Meeting

10TH: Turkey Trot

RAIN DATE: NOVEMBER 17TH

16th: Fall Harvest Bake Sale

22-24th: Thanksgiving Break

Saint Teresa's School PTO
DECEMBER EVENTS

4-8th: Santa's Workshop

5th: PTO Meeting

9th: Christmas Tree Lighting

14th: Christmas Concert

15th: Christmas Bake Sale/Dress Down

17th: P-Bruins St. Teresa's Game

21-29th: Christmas Break

EARLY DISMISSAL AT 11:30 AM ON DECEMBER 20TH



Volunteer Opportunity

Youth to Senior Snow Shoveling Volunteer Program

Get Volunteer Hours by Helping the
Seniors in your Community!
Scan the QR code below
for more Information & Sign Up!



Any Questions?
Contact: 401-728-7582

November Lunch



St. Teresa's Lunch Menu November 2023

The Food Service Management office can be contacted at any time at 401-729-6299 or by emailing gramarkoffice1@gmail.com.

Menu subject to change at any time without notice.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
30 1. Chicken Patty Sandwich Cole Slaw	31 1. Hamburger or Cheeseburger Creepy Crawly Pumpkin Parfait	1 1. Mini French Toast w/ Omelet Fruit Cup	2 1. Chicken Nuggets w/ Snack Crackers Cilantro Rice	3 1. Cheese Pizza Kale Apple Salad
Available Daily: 2) Bagel Fun Lunch or 3) Beef Nacho Salad w/ Tortillas or 4) Veggie Burger				
6 1. Chicken Patty Sandwich Pepper Strips	7 1. Hamburger or Cheeseburger Sweet Potato Fries	8 1. Mini Waffles w/ Sausage Fruit Cup	9 1. Chicken Tenders w/ Snack Crackers Golden Corn	10 1. Cheese Pizza Caesar Salad
Available Daily: 2) Muffin Fun Lunch or 3) Buffalo Chicken Salad w/ Pretzel Rod or 4) Veggie Nuggets				
13 No School Veteran's Day Observed 	14 1. Hamburger or Cheeseburger Tater Tots	15 1. Mini French Toast w/ Omelet Garden Salad	16 1. Chicken Nuggets w/ Snack Crackers Yellow Rice	17 1. Cheese Pizza Broccoli Salad
Available Daily: 2) Sun Butter & Jelly Fun Lunch or 3) Italian Salad w/ Flatbread or 4) Veggie Burger				
20 1. Chicken Patty Sandwich Sesame Green Beans	21 1. Hamburger or Cheeseburger Spiral Fries	22 No School Thanksgiving Break	23 No School Thanksgiving Break 	24 No School Thanksgiving Break
Available Daily: 2) Cinni Mini Fun Lunch or 3) Chicken Caesar Salad w/ Flatbread or 4) Veggie Nuggets				
27 1. Chicken Patty Sandwich Crazy Cole Slaw	28 1. Hamburger or Cheeseburger Roasted Potatoes	29 1. Mini French Toast w/ Omelet Roasted Butternut Squash	30 1. Chicken Nuggets w/ Snack Crackers Peas & Carrots	1 1. Cheese Pizza Spinach Salad
Available Daily: 2) Pizza Fun Lunch or 3) Asian Chicken Salad w/ Scallion Flatbread or 4) Veggie Burger				

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