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#### So Great a Redeemer

"Oh happy fault, Oh necessary sin of Adam, that gained for us so great a Redeemer." We usually think of this quote during Lent, in particular at the Easter vigil. But it has recently been coming to my mind here in December. When I think of a redeemer as one who pays a ransom and frees one from slavery, I am in awe at what great price our Redeemer, Jesus, has paid for us. "For you know that you were redeemed from your empty way of life inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious Blood of Christ, like that of an unblemished and spotless lamb." -1 Peter 1:18-19

Our Redeemer is coming. The slavery He frees us from is one of sin and darkness, and in these darkest days of the year, our yearning goes more and more towards the light. May our hearts yearn ardently for the true Light of the World, who is on His way to redeem us. "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who lived in a land of gloom a light has shone." -Isaiah 9:1

Sister Mary Agnes, C.K.

### **Upcoming Events**

December 15: Christmas Concert in the church 7pm

December 20: Beginning Strings (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> graders) playing at Mass

December 21: Last day before Christmas; noon dismissal

**December Calendar** 

**January Calendar** 

December Breakfast/Lunch Calendar

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St. Teresa 2022-2023 Calendar

#### Seminarian of the Week

Week of December 11: Rev. Mr. Scott Nemec is our seminarian to pray for. He is currently a Deacon from St. Wenceslaus Parish in Bee.

#### **Dress Code for December 21**

Students are able to wear jeans and a red or green shirt on December 21. They are also able to bring other festive Christmas accessories, such as socks, hats, antlers, even things that light up, if they have them, for the sing-a-long that morning at 11:00. Everything worn or brought to school must be school appropriate.

#### **Christmas Wish List**

Thank you for your generosity to the school and parish through providing for the items the faculty and staff have noted as desired for the school. Our wish list is <a href="here">here</a>.

## **School Survey**

We have a short survey that we'd like you to participate in, giving us some feedback on some topics that parents and faculty have brought to our attention. As we review our current handbook to prepare it for the opening of our registration period in January, we'd like you to give us your thoughts on these topics. Find the short survey <a href="here.">here.</a> The program says it might take four minutes. Thank you!

#### Christmas Concert Reunification Plan

If you'd like your children back after the Christmas Program, the attached file (Reunification above) will help! It details where your children have been directed to come after the program. The letter areas are based on the first letter of your last name. The map will also be on the back of the Christmas Program. At the program, please keep your child's coat with you. They will only be outside very briefly, before they meet

## **Christmas Caroling**



Join the School Sisters of Christ the King for Christmas caroling!

#### Sunday, December 18th

Schedule

2:15 Meet at St. Teresa Church Basement (Kaczmarek Hall)
Caroling: St. Elizabeth Hospital, Bonacum Retirement Home,
Lancaster Manor, Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital

Evening Prayer & Supper with the Sisters at St. Teresa Church

5:30 Depart from St. Teresa Church Basement (Kaczmarek Hall)

For young women ages 12-35

Please RSVP to Sister Peter Marie: <a href="mailto:sr.peter-marie@cdolinc.net">sr.peter-marie@cdolinc.net</a>



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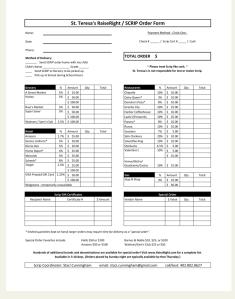


# NEW Scrip Vendor - Piedmont Bistro/Goodcents Scrip available!"

Just in time for the holidays, we are very excited to announce the addition of \$25 Scrip cards for Venue/Piedmont Bistro/Goodcents/Cactus and all other PRG dining options. These cards offer a 10% rebate. Keep them in mind for dining with friends and family over the holidays, or as excellent gifts! A revamped and updated Scrip order form is attached.

On December 12, Dine to Donate @ Raising Cane's, use SCRIP too! St. Teresa School wins twice!

For RaiseRight app and online users, be sure to check out the many vendors offering bonus rebates on electronic giftcards this weekend! There are some excellent deals. As always, please contact me (<a href="mailto:staci.cunningham@gmail.com">staci.cunningham@gmail.com</a>) if you have any questions!



## Looking for a Piano?

Mrs. Schilmoeller has two pianos in need of a new home (free). They are fairly old and the piano tuner says they won't be able to be tuned many more times, but they still work. Please contact <a href="her-if-you are interested">her-if-you are interested</a>.

## Science Fair Judges

Hello, parents! We are in need of judges for the science fair!

When: January 27, 2023 from 9:00-3:00

What: Science fair judge for the 7th and 8th grade science fair. Any parent in the student is welcome to judge- not just middle school parents! Judges will be provided critique papers and evaluate each students project. They will then choose finalists, as well as a winner. Parents will not judge their own child's project.

Please contact Jill Zimmer or Mr. Mulholland. Thanks for considering!

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#### **Volunteers Needed**

Parents! Advent/Christmas parties are coming up and we still had a few empty volunteer slots to fill in. Please check your classroom signup or reach out to your room parent to find out if they need help. Imagine your kiddos without snacks for such celebration! Also, Catholic School Week events are coming up and there's also an opportunity to help there. We need science fair judges and parents to sit with the class, among other things. Here's the main school signup where you can find either your room parent, the link to the signup of your classroom, or both:

#### https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B054CABA623A3F85-room

Room parents: Please take a look at your signup and reach out to your teacher in case any unsettled events may have changed.

Thank you and God Bless!

Luis Gerardo Alejandro Posadas Martinez

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