

Dear Parents,

What a wonderful week we are having celebrating Catholic Schools with your children. Our K - 4 students had a lot of enthusiasm for Olympic Day yesterday and our 7th and 8th graders had a wonderful time snow tubing at Green Acres. Our 5th and 6th graders are looking forward to their day on the snowhill tomorrow. The students in K - 5 are all excited for you to see the great work they have done in the classroom and for the first time our Middle School students will present an Activities Fair in the Auditorium this evening - we hope you will stop by our Open House tonight!

Annual Education Angel Raffle

This is your last chance to purchase your Raffle Ticket to win a Free Tuition for the 2012-2013 school year. We still have tickets left to sell for this year's Angel Raffle. We hope to have them all sold by this Friday - the winning ticket will be drawn this weekend after the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

Please consider purchasing one of the remaining tickets and help us to raise \$10,000 for the *Nativity Scholarship Fund*. Your contribution can make a positive difference for the families who are the recipients of financial assistance each year.

Please call Rose in the school office (651)699-1311 or send me an email to rcongdon@nativity-mn.org if you would like to reserve one of the last tickets. **We would like all tickets paid for by end of the day on Friday.**
Good Luck Everyone!

Lost and Found

Lost and Found items will be on display during Open House tonight. Items not claimed by February 6th will be donated. So please look for your lost hat, mittens, boots, lunch boxes, etc. by February 6th. Thank you!

Covenant Mass for 7th Grade Confirmation Candidates

will be held next Wednesday, February 8th at 7P.M. in the Upper Church

Playground Volunteers Needed in February

We are looking for parents who are willing and able to help us the month of February during lunch recess from 12 - 1P.M. If you are able to give one or two days to mingle among our students while they have fun outside, please email Patrice Engelmann, our Playground Volunteer Coordinator at pcengelmann@msn.com - home, plengelmann@stkate.edu - work, or call Patrice at (651) 699-9875 and sign up for a day...or two...or three. Patrice has an open calendar ready to fill up with willing volunteers.

Thank you in advance for your willingness to assist us.

Hot Lunch Bills

Will be sent home tomorrow to those families who have a negative balance in their lunch account. Please send a check to the office immediately to reload your lunch account. You may login to Cornerstone at anytime to check your balance.

Super Sock Sunday

Sponsored by Nativity Social Justice Club

As most of you know, Super Bowl Sunday is this Sunday, February 5th. While you're at the store getting game day snacks, **consider picking up some socks for our Super Sock Sunday.** Many people in Minnesota don't have proper clothing for our bleak winters or a warm bed to sleep in at night. The Dorothy Day Center has generously opened their doors for many years to the homeless, and we want to help them this winter by supplying their visitors with socks. Many of these people may only have one or two pairs of socks and undergarments. We ask that you bring in sizes your family would wear, so that we have a good variety. Please donate generously! Thank you. **You may drop off your donations at all Masses on Saturday, February 4th and Sunday, February 5th. Boxes will be placed in the front and back of the church.**

Virtus Training

Thank you to all that have attended a Virtus Training Session. Volunteers are very important to us and we appreciate you very much. If you were unable to attend the last Virtus session and are planning on volunteering in the coming months, the next Virtus session, presented by Kate Wollan, will be **Thursday, February 16th at 6P.M in Steiner Hall.** Please register online at: www.virtusonline.org.

Pancake Breakfast

Please join the Nativity Men's Club **this Sunday, February 5, 2012** as they help the Scouts host the annual Pancake Breakfast. There will be all you can eat pancakes and the proceeds will go to the Nativity Scout organizations. **Please see the attached flyer for more information.**

NCCW presents - Girlfriends, Goodies, & Gab

Friday, February 3rd, 7 - 11P.M. in Steiner Hall

A winter market with wine & hor d' oeuvres while you shop - Bring your friends!
Admission \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door

Application for Tuition Assistance

Nativity of Our Lord Parish has a wonderful tradition of making a Catholic education available for all parish children. Accordingly, all parish families will be provided the opportunity to apply for tuition assistance for the 2012-2013 school year. We strongly encourage families to visit the school's website to access and complete an online application. However, if you wish to complete a paper application, or if you have any questions regarding this process, please feel free to call Mary Super at (651)696-5441. **Applications will be due (submitted online or postmarked) by Thursday, March 1st.**

A Look Ahead to February

- **Tonight - Open House - 6:00 - 7:30P.M.**
- **Feb. 3rd - Report Cards go home**
- **Feb. 5th - Scouts Pancake Breakfast**
- **Feb. 8th - 7th Grade Covenant Mass - 7:00P.M.**
- **Feb. 10th - Middle School Honor Roll Breakfast - Invitations will be emailed**
- **Feb. 13th - Raising Responsible - Faith-Filled Children by Kate Wollan**
- **Feb. 16th - Virtus Session in Steiner Hall - 6:00P.M.**
- **February 20th - No School - President's Day**
- **February 22nd - Ash Wednesday**
- **February 25th - Family Service Weekend**