



ST. AUGUSTINE CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARENT BULLETIN

December 5, 2025

St. Augustine Catholic School nurtures children in their God-centered faith journey, while promoting academic excellence, individual growth, and life-long service inspired by the Gospel.

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MINNICK'S MINUTE

We gathered together on Monday to celebrate the beginning of Advent by sharing a Wreath Lighting celebration with our students and staff. I'm excited to share this experience because it helps bring Jesus closer to our hearts during this Advent season. I want to wish you and yours a very Happy Advent season. I pray this time with your family and friends is abundant and very blessed.

One of the biggest highlights for our students before Christmas Break is always Secret Santa! It is truly a beautiful sight to witness children learning the gift of giving and to see the excitement in their eyes as they pick out treasures to take home to their family members for Christmas. We are excited and thankful that our Parents Club will continue this tradition for our students next week!

ACADEMIC FAIR PRESENTATION BOARDS

Just a reminder that all students in grades 5 - 8 will need a presentation board for the Academic Fair. These are available in the school office for \$4.50.

SECRET SANTA

Thanks to our Parents' Club, students will have an opportunity to shop for family members on December 11th and 12th. Information and shopping list envelopes were sent home before break. Please return the envelopes and money by Wednesday, December 10th.

CHRISTMAS THEMED SHIRTS

Students may wear Christmas-themed shirts with their dress-code pants in the month of December. We ask that they refrain from wearing them on Mass days, and please remember to keep them school-appropriate.

SECOND QUARTER MIDTERMS

Grades 1 - 8 midterms were sent home before the break. If you have not already, please review, sign, and return to the school office asap.

CHRISTMAS HOUSE

Make plans to visit our Parish Christmas House on December 5, 6, and 7th. There will be a variety of crafts, gifts, decorations, cheese balls, cookies, meals (including dinner with Santa), and more! Refer to the Facebook event "2025 St. Augustine Christmas House" for more details. Also, 6th, 7th, and 8th graders have an opportunity to join in on these activities by volunteering to help. Please use the QR code below to sign up your child for a shift!



HAT & MITTEN TREE

We are asking students to help needy children in our community by donating hats, mittens, and/or scarves to our Hat & Mitten tree. Students may place them on the tree in the upstairs hallway until December 15th. Thank you for your generosity!

MASSES NEXT WEEK

In celebration of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, the entire school body will attend the 8:45 am Mass on Monday, December 8th. We will also participate in the Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass on Friday, December 12th at 8:45 am. We ask that students please refrain from wearing Christmas-themed shirts on these days.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Mark your calendar! The St. Augustine School Christmas Concert will be presented in the church on Thursday, December 18th, at 7:00 PM. All students from Preschool through 8th grade will be performing. Songs and lyrics your child(ren) will be performing were sent home before break, so that they may practice at home.

CHRISTMAS CHEER WEEK

A special theme is planned for each day during the week of December 15th -19th. Details will come home with your child next week.

RONALD McDONALD POP TABS

We continue to collect pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House throughout the school year. These are measured each quarter, with a reward given for each quarter's goal met. We were able to meet our 1st quarter goal and were rewarded with an extra recess. We have a way to go before we meet our 2nd quarter goal. Let's get those pop tabs in before December 19th to receive that reward! Thanks for your support for such an important cause.

ACADEMIC FAIR PRESENTATION BOARDS

Students in grades 5 - 8 will need a tri-fold presentation board for their Academic Fair project. These can be purchased from the school office for \$4.50. **Be sure to purchase this soon, as the rough draft of their presentation board is due before Christmas break.**

ENTRÉES FOR THE WEEK OF

December 8, 2025

Students have the option to replace the main entree for a peanut butter and jelly sandwich

MONDAY - Mozzarella Cheese Sticks & Corn

TUESDAY - Walking Taco w/Spanish Rice

WEDNESDAY -Hamburger & Tater Tots

THURSDAY - Cheese Pizza & Green Beans

FRIDAY - Lasagna & Garlic Bread

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

12/5 - 12/7 St. Augustine Parish Christmas House
(Held in Parish Hall)

12/8 School Mass 8:45 am Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

12/11 Secret Santa Shopping 12:30-3:00 PM

12/12 School Mass 8:45 Our Lady of Guadalupe
Secret Santa Shopping 12:30-3:00 PM
No Gym Class

12/16 Soup & Salad before Mission 5:30 PM
in the Ministry Center
Parish Advent Mission 7:00 PM in the church with Dr. John Wood

12/18 Christmas Program in Church 7:00 PM

12/19 School Mass 8:45 am
School Movie and Popcorn Party
No Gym Class
End of 2nd Quarter

12/22 - 1/2 Christmas Break **NO SCHOOL**