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St. John of the Cross, pray for us!

Tilma News 12/14/23

Generosity (Giving without counting the cost...)

"Whoever sows generously will also reap generously." (2 Corinthians 9:6)

Latin saying for the Month - "Bis dat qui cito dat." ("He who gives promptly gives twice.")

BLANKET SHELBY COUNTY is wrapping up! (No pun intended.) We now have 130 blankets. The goal was 200! Please check your closets or ask your neighbor and bring in new OR gently used blankets to warm the hearts and bodies of the less fortunate in Shelby County! These will be delivered to some shelters tomorrow morning around 10am by the class that has collected the most blankets! *Whatever we do to the least of our brothers and sisters, we do to Christ! ~Matthew 25:40*

RE-ENROLLMENTS - All current families should now have your re-enrollment form. Please turn in by the deadline so we can plan appropriately for the upcoming year!

TUITION BILLS: Please be sure your tuition is current through December before the break if at all possible. Otherwise, the December tuition deadline is Dec 20.

ADVENT PROGRAM - It was a busy but beautiful week! Thank you to all who attended the Advent Program! Please text Mrs. Fehder if you took any video or photos!! See some pics below!

CHRISTMAS BOOK EXCHANGE - This was a HUGE success! Everyone was excited to get their special books; some students began reading them all the way back from the parish hall to the classroom! See pics below!

CRUSADE FOR EDUCATION PREPARATION - UPDATE! Parents, Please **SAVE THE DATE!** Due to a number of factors, our Crusade for Education date has changed once again. Please mark your calendars for **Friday, April 12** from 6-9pm. Please contact Mrs. Fehder if you can be a Table Captain; also, please advise if you have a basket theme, so you can pick up discounted items over the break!

Please join us for Mass at 2 on our last day tomorrow!

NOW ENROLLING FOR 2024-25 - Please SPREAD THE WORD that Corpus Christi is ENROLLING students for the 2024-25 school year! If you see a post on Facebook, please SHARE! We have room for more students from preK-4th.

MASS INTENTIONS - Every Friday Mass from Jan 12 to the end of the year is available. Please contact Mrs. Fehder or the office if interested.

January Dates:

Jan 9, Tues - Students return to school from Christmas Break

Jan 12, Fri - End of 2nd Quarter

Jan 17, Wed - Re-Enrollment due. This is SO IMPORTANT to our planning!

Prayer Meetings - Thank you to Mrs. Keith for hosting a prayer group in her home dedicated to praying for the intentions of our school, especially for a new property where we can continue to grow. If you are interested in joining her on Wednesdays at 8:30 am, please reach out at 703-400-1002.

CATHOLIC CLASSICAL EDUCATION - Bible/Church Literacy is a central element in true classical education. Why? It teaches about Christ and His Church; Forms a relationship with Jesus and clarifies God's plan of salvation; Helps clarify why the Church believes and practices as it does.

TILMA FACT - The stars on Mary's Tilma reveal the constellations in the sky when she appeared to Juan Diego on December 12, 1531.

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Corpus Christi students prepare to welcome parents with *Personnel Hodie!*



(Left) Angels we have heard on high!
(Right) Mrs. Mary and students on the violins!
(Below) Shepherds were in the field tending their flocks!



(Right) Noah and Ella singing a duet.
(Below left) Mrs. Elizabeth leads the choir in *Laetissimus!*
(Below right) Annual Christmas Book Exchange!

