

St. Anthony Catholic School

Hereford, TX

November 20, 2014

Linda Aranda
Principal

Principal's Note

6th Grader Fundraiser

THANK YOU!

With your support, the sixth grade class was able to raise \$1,157.67. Many thnx!

ATTN: Extended Day Parents - Extended Day will be closing at 12:35pm on Wednesday, November 26. This is an Early Dismissal Day. School will end at 12:35pm.

Thanksgiving Mass

Please join us for Thanksgiving Mass on Thursday, November 27, at 10:00am. You are invited to bring bread and wine to have blessed at Mass.

Festival of Trees

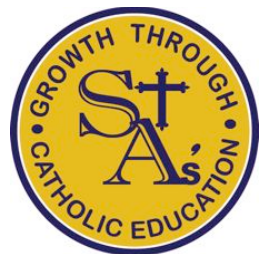
Performances at this year's Festival of Trees were amazing! Our students received so many compliments and did a great job!!!

Food Drive Week & Baskets at Children's Mass

It's not too late to donate to our Parish Food Drive. All non-perishable food items will be blessed at our Children's Mass on Friday, November 21, and used in our Parish Thanksgiving Baskets. Please send all donations to school by Friday, November 21.

Newly Appointed School Board Member

Welcome to our newly appointed School Board Member, Anthony Tijerina, who is representing our sister-parish, San Jose Catholic Church. Mr. Tijerina is a life-long parishioner of San Jose. He and his wife Melissa have two children in our school, Anthony, Jr. in sixth grade and Matthew, in second grade. We are glad to have you on *board*!



St. Anthony Catholic School develops Gospel values, a commitment to service, and strong academic skills in each student.

Upcoming Events

- ◆ 11/21 Friday,
*School Mass @ 8:15am
All are Welcome!
*St. A's Basketball Pep Rally @ 2:45pm
*St. A's Tournament Begins
- ◆ 11/22 Saturday,
JOIN US for the St. A's Basketball Tourney! **Support our SAINTS!**
There will be a FANTABULOUS Concession Stand!
- ◆ 11/23 Sunday,
*Parish Thanksgiving Baskets in Antonian Room @ 1:00pm
*Family Sacramental Prep 3:00-4:30pm in School Gym
- ◆ 11/24-25 Mon. & Tues.
NO Basketball Practice
- ◆ 11/26 Wednesday,
Early Dismissal @ 12:35
LUNCHES:
K5 & 1st @ 11:00am
2nd-4th @ 11:30am
Ext. Day @ 11:55am
5th & 6th @ 12:00pm
- ◆ 11/27 Thursday,
Happy Thanksgiving!
NO SCHOOL
11/28 Friday, NO SCHOOL

Looking Ahead

- ◆ 12/1 Monday,
Holiday Ornament for Display

Dear Parents and Friends of all Saints!

Greetings! On Sunday, November 30, we begin the season of Advent. The First Sunday of Advent is not the beginning of the Christmas Season. Rather, it's the beginning of a time when we focus on faithful anticipation. We anticipate and long for the coming of Jesus as our loving Lord and Judge at the end of time. We anticipate the celebration of Jesus' birth, when he came into the world as our Lord and Savior. And we anticipate the coming of Jesus in our walk of faith every day, especially in the celebration of the Eucharist and in our acts of love, charity, and justice toward others.

Throughout Advent we gather as a school family for prayer around an Advent wreath. Some classes create a Jesse Tree and decorate it with symbols that represent the roots of our faith. We will also offer our time, talents, and treasures to those in need. You too can focus your efforts as a family on ways to celebrate Christ's coming and to offer your resources to others.

Our continued focus will be on our goals, which will be featured in this newsletter and the ones to come.

SOCIAL:

To be consistent and totally dedicated with Reverence, Respect, Responsibility, and Readiness at ALL times, in ALL places, and to ALL people within the school community and at ALL times to visitors to the school.

AMDG...for the greater glory of God

In His Spirit & Service,

Linda Aranda 

Bits and Pieces...

St. Anthony Basketball Tournament
Friday & Saturday
November 21-22



Distinguished Graduate Nominations

Nominations for Distinguished Graduate of St. Anthony Catholic School are being accepted through December 9, 2014. The recipient of this award given by the National Catholic Education Association must have graduated from the nominating school for at least 10 years and the recipient should have made some significant contribution to American society and/or the Catholic Church, which reflects favorably on the education the person received in the Catholic elementary school. Please make all nominations through the school. Nomination Forms are available in the school office.

Christmas Ornaments on Display

Do you have a Christmas ornament that symbolizes something special or has a significant meaning to you and your family? Our school children are invited to bring a Christmas ornament to share with our school family beginning December 1st. The ornaments will be displayed in the locked cases during Advent and returned for Christmas.

Catholic Life Insurance Raffle Sell Those Tickets

You can support our school by purchasing a \$5 raffle ticket for the Catholic School Sweepstake. **ALL MONIES FROM THE SALE OF THE TICKETS GO DIRECTLY TO OUR SCHOOL!** Catholic Life Insurance is sponsoring the Sweepstakes and has donated one grand prize for the entire Sweepstakes and fourteen secondary prizes.

Grand Prize includes the choice of:

2015 Truck OR 2015 Sedan
OR Prepaid \$20,000 Visa Credit Card;

Secondary Prizes:

(15) Prepaid \$1,000 Visa Credit Cards; (20) Prepaid \$500 Visa Credit Cards; (20) \$250 Visa Credit Cards

The student selling the most tickets wins a prize!

Which class will be the **TOP** selling class? All tickets need to be sold by December 31, 2014.

The official drawing for prizes will be January 30, 2015.

These raffle tickets make great stocking stuffers!

Winter Weather

With winter here, we want to remind everyone to dress warmly. In case it is at least 42° the children play outside, only children with jackets will be allowed to go outside.

In case of a school closing or delayed start of classes, we will be following HISD procedures so, please be listening to KPAN or to the local TV stations during inclement weather. We will also send out a message through Flocknote.

Please also note: On days when classes have a delayed start the student drop-off times are as follows:

- 9AM start: Student drop-off no earlier than 8:30AM
- 10AM start: Student drop-off no earlier than 9:30AM

Students dropped-off before those times will be unsupervised as our faculty/staff will not arrive before then. Thank you! Stay warm and be safe!

Flocknote

Are you being left out? Information and news is being relayed to our school parents *via* Flocknote. If you have not already set up a Flocknote account please go to this [link](#) and follow these steps:

<http://www.flocknote.com/node/51887/network-info>

- * Click - Join Network
- * Enter the following - name, email address, & password
- * Click - Register
- * Then you will receive the following message:

“One More Thing! To complete your registration, click the link in the email we just sent to you. Make sure it's not in your spam folder by mistake.”

Be sure to keep your email address (which will be your user name) and your password somewhere handy.

You are all set!