

# St. Anthony Catholic School

Hereford, TX

December 11, 2014

Linda Aranda  
Principal

## Principal's Note

Dear Parents and Friends of all Saints!

Greetings! As many of you may know my husband, Robert, is a Deacon Candidate for the Diocese of Amarillo. The formation process takes four-and-a-half-years, which requires a significant time requirement of 64 hours or more per month. Wives attend the formation classes and must be in full support by attending all classes and study groups. Each formation year is comprised of no less than 11 weekends, one per month with studies that can be likened to receiving one's Masters degree. Formation places a large emphasis on academics, pastoral, human and spiritual development. There's also prayer and study group meetings, parish and charity ministry.

The commitment to the diaconate is a major endeavor. Therefore, there will be weekends when you will not see me at school events or functions, as I have been instructed that our ministry of Deacon Formation takes precedence over school activities. Know that I am always with our students and school families in spirit. Robert and I greatly appreciate your prayers and support in our Diaconate journey.

~ YSIC, Linda Aranda

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

### **SOCIAL:**

To teach stewardship of God's creation as a way of life through our time and talents.

*AMDG...for the greater glory of God*

*In His Spirit & Service,*

Linda Aranda 

## Bits and Pieces...

### LUNCH SCHEDULE CHANGES

Please note the schedule change in lunches due to program practice and early dismissal:

**Wednesday & Thursday, 12/17-18**

11:30 ~ Kinder & 1<sup>st</sup>

12:00 ~ 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup>

12:30 ~ 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>

**Friday, 12/19:**

11:00 ~ Kinder & 1<sup>st</sup>

11:30 ~ 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup>

12:00 ~ 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>

### Dress Out of Uniform Stewardship Project

All students are being given the opportunity to earn a *Dress Out of Uniform Day (Jeans Day for staff).....NUT Day on Tuesday, December 16*. Help us support our Diocesan Catholic Charities of the Texas Panhandle by donating \$2 toward the Emergency Youth Shelter. Please bring donations by Monday, December 15.

~ Thank you and God bless!

### Christmas Caroling at FFB



Our Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders did such an amazing job at Festival of Trees, they have been asked to perform at

First Financial Bank. They have accepted the invitation and will perform on **Wednesday December 17**, at about 1:00pm.

### *ATTN: Extended Day Parents --*

Extended Day will be closing at 12:35pm on **Friday, December 19, 2014**. There will be NO After School Care as this is an Early Dismissal Day. School will end at 12:35pm.



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

### Upcoming Events

- ◆ 12/11 Thursday, \*6<sup>th</sup> Grade to Amr. for *The Nutcracker*  
\*K5-5<sup>th</sup> to HHS @ 1pm for *The Little Mermaid*
- ◆ 12/12 Friday, \*School Mass @ 8:15am  
\*5<sup>th</sup> Grade Re-enactment of Our Lady of Guadalupe @ 9:15am  
\*40 Hours Devotion begins
- ◆ 12/14 Sunday, Singing Saints sing at 9am Mass
- ◆ 12/15 Monday, \*Parish Advent Reconciliation @ 7pm  
\*Donate to Catholic Charities & Dress Out of Uniform on Tuesday
- ◆ 12/16 Tuesday, "NUT" Day...**No Uniform Today** if you donated \$2 to Catholic Charities Emergency Youth Shelter
- ◆ 12/17 Wednesday, \*Kinder-2<sup>nd</sup> caroling @ FFB @1pm  
\*NO Swimming Today
- ◆ 12/18 Thursday, Christmas Program ~ 10:00am  
Dress Rehearsal for Grandparents; 7:00pm Evening Performance
- ◆ 12/19 Friday, \*Christmas Parties  
K5-6<sup>th</sup> @ 9:15am  
K4 @ 10:30am  
\*Early Dismissal @ 12:35pm

Boarding Pass

The  
**“Plane” Truth About  
 Christmas**



St. Anthony School  
 Christmas Program



The Plane Truth About Christmas

**DEC  
 18**

**7 PM**  
 in St. Anthony's  
 Church



Open To  
 Everyone



*Our Lady of Guadalupe  
 Celebration*

Friday, December 12, 2014  
 9:15 a.m. - 5th grade re-enactment of  
 Our Lady's appearance to Juan Diego

Followed by milk and bicocho cookies  
 for the children.

Come help us celebrate the remembrance  
 of this miraculus event.

**Shop with SCRIP for  
 Christmas!**

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Want an easy way to raise money for our  
 school and conveniences when doing  
 your Christmas shopping as well?

Try ordering your SCRIP cards online!

Go to [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com)

Enrollment Code: **7FBB7FDB1844L**

You can pay online with Presto Pay or  
 pay by check through the school office  
 and pick up the cards from our

Scrip Program Coordinator:

Shana Ortega @ 806-517-5773 or  
 email at [so.advancedins@gmail.com](mailto:so.advancedins@gmail.com).

Christmas deadline to order SCRIP gift  
 cards is Sunday, December 16.

Many retailers also offer SCRIP NOW!

This allows you to instantly purchase  
 a gift card online or  
 re-load a gift card you already have.  
 SCRIP is easy and is a very easy way  
 to raise money for  
 our kids and our school!