



# 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade News



December 15, 2017

I hope you and your families have a very Merry Christmas and enjoy ringing in the New Year. I would like to request that my students practice their multiplication facts at home. Most of the third graders are getting really good at figuring out the answers but it is so important for students to know their facts quickly as well. We will begin division when we return in January. I will be giving some multiplication timed tests when we return to help practice speed and proficiency. We will see you in 2018!

## Notes from Mrs. Brogan:

- Classes will resume on January 3. Report cards will be sent home on January 12.
- Check out our new and improved website that is now fully operational. [www.smsrockets.org](http://www.smsrockets.org)
- Reminder that Mrs. Brogan and Kristi Stevens will be hosting a Scholarship Law meeting on December 18 in the Parish Center at 6:00 pm. Information about this new Illinois Law was sent home last week with all students. Please plan to attend this important informational meeting if possible. These scholarships are for any family that falls into one of the designated income levels set up at that state level. This has nothing to do with the scholarship program already in place at St. Mary's; however it will be a school policy that all families that apply for a scholarship thru the school must apply with the state first. The portal will go live on January 24, 2018. This is when you will need to start applying for the 2018-2019 school year. The meeting on December 18 is a chance to get all of your questions answered.
- A suggestion to continue VBRD in your family homes the rest of the Advent Season, pick a family virtue and as a family work on that virtue between now and the conclusion of Advent. Talk about the virtue daily and how you have worked on that virtue in your daily lives.

## Calendar Events:

January 3 - Classes resume (if no make-up days needed)

January 8 - Caps due for D of I Classroom Competition

January 9 - 2nd Quarter Grades Due

January 12 - Report Cards Sent Home/Noon Dismissal (buses)

# 12 Christmas dweilart PRAYERS

- 1 Faith** Father God, it is by Your grace we have been saved, and through our faith - this is not from ourselves, but a gift from you - not by our works. Ephesians 2:8-9
- 2 Hope** May the God of Hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in Hope. Romans 15:4
- 3 Love** Help us to love because You first loved us. 1 John 4:19
- 4 Forgiveness** Thank you for being faithful and just in forgiving us our sins and thus purifying us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9
- 5 Mercy** Let us be merciful, just as our Father is merciful. Luke 6:36
- 6 Kindness** Let us be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as through Jesus, You forgave us. Ephesians 4:32
- 7 Generosity** Let us be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, and to give the glory and thanks to you Lord! 2 Corinthians 9:11
- 8 Compassion** Let us live in harmony with one another, be sympathetic and compassionate, love as brothers, and be humble. 1 Peter 3:8
- 9 Joy** Let us be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Romans 12:12
- 10 Salvation** Thank you for providing Jesus who is the way, the truth, the life and the only way to You. John 14:6
- 11 Obedience** Help us to not merely listen to Your Word, and so deceive ourselves. Help us do what it says. James 1:22-25
- 12 Life** Thank you for coming that we may have life, and have it to the full. John 10:10