

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School



December 1, 2025

THE NOTE!

I talked to the kids this morning about the start of Advent and several said they don't have an Advent wreath at home. I told them how to make one real quick out of paper. This is a time to really prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus. Father Tomy told us a very simple prayer that I shared with everyone this morning. It can be said multiple times each day and I encouraged the kids to pray it in all situations when they are needing to feel God's presence. As adults, we need it too!

Before we start our day or before class/quizzes/tests/ballgames, etc. We can simply say,

“Come, Lord Jesus”

BRRRR! I hope all of you had a wonderful Thanksgiving and enjoyed our first snow of the winter. Just a reminder that if school is going to be cancelled for any reason, you will receive a phone call from Jasper Unit #1 Superintendent, Mr. Joe Sornberger. We will do what Jasper County Schools do when it is weather related.

Please keep our 3rd graders in your prayers as they prepare to receive 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation on Saturday. May they be blessed with a wonderful day!

Those 3rd grade families are invited to sit in the front reserved pews at St. Thomas this weekend if you are attending mass at St. Thomas. Your 3rd grader and you will go up for communion first.



SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Monday: 8th GB @ Lawrenceville Regional vs. Robinson 7:30, BB @ Sacred Heart 6:00

Tuesday: (When they win Monday) 8th GB @ Lawrenceville Regional vs. T-Town 7:30, BB @ Cumberland 6:00, Pick up live wreaths after school-6:00 in P.C.

Wednesday: **K-2 Class Mass** (K-1 in charge), Reindeer visit, School Board 6:00,
Happy Birthday, Mrs. Zuber!

Thursday: BB @ Oblong 6:00

Friday: **All-School Mass** (2nd in charge), Adoration 'til noon, Blood Drive at NCHS, 8th
GB Regional Championship @ Lawrenceville 6:00

Saturday: 1st Holy Communion/Confirmation @ Cathedral in Springfield 11:00, Mass @
St. Thomas 4:30, Feast Day of St. Nicholas

Sunday: Masses @ St. Thomas 7:00/10:00, Mass @ St. Mary's 8:30

Monday: Feast of the Immaculate Conception-**All-School Mass** 8:30 (7th in charge)

ATTACHED/IN PACKETS: Meyer Twins Art, Lunch Statements, Jasper County
Christmas flyer and Parade Entry form, Santa Frank flyer, Blood Drive flyer, School
Board agenda

*We've added a couple of things to our **Amazon Wishlist** if anyone is interested in
helping us out.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/AD6I5LGUJGN4?ref=list_d_wl_lfu_nav_4

***Live wreath orders** will need to be picked up tomorrow during parent pick up or
anytime until 6:00 in the Parish Center meeting room.

***SCRIP orders** need to be placed by Monday, Dec. 8th in order to receive them before
we leave for break. Send them to Lori by 3:00 on Monday, Dec. 8th.

*Please share our **Trivia Night** information with family and friends as well as your
place of work. Feel free to send in team sign up forms too. The planning is going well
and we can't wait for another awesome time on Valentine's Day!

*If you haven't learned our song, "**Praise**", ask your kids to teach you! We'll all be
doing it at the Christmas Concert in a couple of weeks.

<https://youtu.be/f2oxGYpuLkw?si=5lcD3lmP2 TnUZzR>

*It is cold with the wind chill factored in, but if we can be outside, even for a little while,
we will. PLEASE send your kids with **coats**.

*3 weeks until the end of the 2nd quarter. Keep encouraging your kids to work hard!

