December 1, 2021



The mission of Sacred Heart School is to promote life-long learning and Christ centered values in a Catholic setting.

A Message from the Principal

I would like to share a very special gift idea with you. The approach of the holidays often means that we are busier than ever. Most of us don't mind, though, because it's all about celebration and family in the name of Jesus. We have special gatherings and do our annual traditions; we become conscientious about the meaning of giving and receiving gifts; we decorate our homes as well as our hearts. And we do all this to honor the birth of Jesus, our Savior.

We want our children to feel the excitement and sparkle of the season, always with Christ in the center of your life. Every night at your child's bedtime, or first thing each morning, make a small cross on your child's forehead with your thumb. That's all. This simple and silent – yet meaningful and powerful – motion says volumes about Christ being the center of not only this season but your entire life. You may find that this simple gesture is something you want to do throughout your child's growing – up years. Your child will never forget this simple daily parental blessing.

May you and your family have a meaningful Advent and joyous Christmas Season. Sincerely,

LeAnn M. Dahle, Principal

Important Information

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM...Sacred Heart School and Children's House Montessori cordially invites families to celebrate the Christmas Season by attending our Christmas program on Thursday, December 9, 6:00 p.m. at the Central Auditorium. The title of the program this year is *Glory to God in the Lowest.* A reminder that students will need to wear their *Red Sacred Heart School* t-shirt, black pants, and black shoes for the program. <u>Detailed information will be sent with</u> t-shirts explaining the schedule for that evening when shirts arrive.

ADVENT...In the Catholic Church, Advent is the period of preparation extending over the four Sundays before Christmas. The word Advent comes from the Latin advenio, "to come to", and refers to the coming of Christ. The four traditional advent themes for the four Sundays are: Hope, Peace, Love, and Joy. Classroom teachers will celebrate Advent with various activities each week as we prepare or wait for the coming of Christ.

WINTER FEST...We will begin our Catholic Schools Week celebration with Winter Fest. This event will begin on Saturday, January 29, and go through Sunday, January 30, 2022. We have a variety of activities planned for this weekend! Mark your calendar and support our school by participating in as many activities as possible. You may view the flyer at www.sacredheartschoolwaseca.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, December 1, 8:30 a.m. Mass Friday, December 3, No School-Staff Day Wednesday, December 8, 8:30 a.m. Mass

Feast of the Immaculate Conception Thursday, December 9, 6:00 p.m. Christmas Program Glory to God In the Lowest

Christmas Break December 23-January 2 NO SCHOOL Wednesday, January 5, 8:30 a.m. Mass Wednesday, January 12, 8:30 a.m. Mass Monday, January 17, No School-Staff Day Wednesday, January 19, 8:30 a.m. Mass Friday, January 21, End of the First Semester Wednesday, January 26, 8:30 a.m. Mass WINTER FEST CELEBRATION JANUARY 29-30, 2022 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK JANUARY 29- FEBRUARY 4, 2022 Wednesday, February 2, 8:30 a.m. Mass Wednesday, February 9, 8:30 a.m. Mass Wednesday, February 16, 8:30 a.m. Mass Monday, February 21, Presidents' Day-No School Wednesday, February 23, 8:30 a.m. Mass Monday, February 28, No School-Staff Day ASH WEDNESDAY MASS @ 8:30 A.M.

Stewardship

A Christian Steward is "one who receives God's gifts gratefully, tends them in a responsible and accountable manner, shares them in justice and love with others and returns them with increase to the Lord."

Each of us have received gifts from God, let us use them to serve one another as good stewards of God. Please remember that every family needs 20 hours of volunteer service for the parish or school during the year. As a member of the parish we ask that each family try to contribute a minimum donation of \$1,500.00 church support for the year.