

FftO December 1, 2023

***November Pictures:** All of the pictures from our November events have been posted. Enjoy!
<https://www.saintcolumbaschool.org/Resouces/Photos/October2023/November2023>

***Photo Request:** Please send in a NEWBORN photo of your child to be used on our entrance bulletin board in the school. You may send a physical photo (3" x 4" max) or email your submission to: dferdock@saintcolumbaschool.org All physical photos will be returned after Christmas.

***Menu and Activity Calendar:** The updated Menu and Activity Calendars are attached.

* **Saint Nick Day:** Wednesday, December 6th. Please send a shoe on TUESDAY, December 5th to place in the hall. We are collecting \$8/family for our annual St. Nick bags. Please forward your family donation to the school office.

***BTE Field Trip:** There will be a field trip to the Christmas presentation by Bloomsburg Theater Ensemble (BTE) on Wednesday, December 6. Permission slips were in the Family Folder.

* **Greenery sales:** The greenery orders will be delivered on Wednesday, December 6th with pick up time from 2-5 P.M.

***School Closed:** School will be CLOSED on Thursday, December 7th for teacher inservice and parent/teacher conferences. On Friday, December 8th, there will be an early dismissal at 11:30 A.M.

* **Student School Mass:** This week's school Mass will be celebrated on Friday, December 8th and not on Tuesday. It is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation. Students from grades 1-4 will serve as readers, gift bearers, and servers. All are welcome to join us!

* **Christmas Shop:** Classes will be visiting the Christmas Shop on Wednesday, December 13th. The shop will provide students the opportunity to choose gifts for family and friends. The gifts will be kid-priced with a great selection of items! More information will be included in the next Family Folder.

***Scoreboard & Saint Columba Dine to Donate.** Join us at the Scoreboard Sports Tavern on Wednesday, December 13, 4-9 P.M. A portion of your dinner order will benefit Saint Columba School. Here is the information link: <https://facebook.com/events/s/dine-to-donate-at-scoreboard/1109328143779251/?mibextid+RQdjgZ>

* **Smart Money for Christmas gifts:** Smart money makes great Christmas gifts. Gift cards for many businesses may be purchased at face value here at St. Columba. Each purchase helps the school. A listing of in-stock cards and order forms were included in this week's family folder. Choose a gift card(s) from the list provided, fill out the form, and return it to school. Your gift card(s) will then be sent home. You may also purchase eGift cards through the RaiseRight app. The RaiseRight enrollment code is L786487C1824.

***Twelve Twenty-Four Concert:** The concert will be held on Sunday, December 17 at 7:00 P.M. at Bloomsburg High School Auditorium. Tickets are \$28.00 per person. Twelve Twenty-Four is the original and longest running (20 years plus) Trans-Siberian Orchestra Tribute Band. Jill Trapane and her daughter, Michaelina, are the founders of the string section of this band and have been with the band for seventeen years. It would be very helpful if everyone could share the concert information on their social media sites to ensure a large audience. For more information and online tickets, please visit the band's website, <http://www.1224band.com> For physical tickets, please call the school office.

* **Dismissal Notes:** Please remember to send dismissal notes for your child if his/her dismissal is changing for the day. Please do not send emails. If Mrs. Trapane is out of the office, her email is not accessible.