

Shamrock Newsletter



Sunday, December 4th – School Mass 10:30am – Full Uniform

Monday, December 5th – 5-8th grade Spelling Bee 10:30am/Extended Care
– 8th grade walking field trip to Target 12:00 – 1:30pm

Thursday, December 8th – Feast of the Immaculate Conception at 11:00am – Full Uniform
– Honor Roll presented after Mass
– Cereal Drive Ends

Friday, December 9th – Spirit Rally 2:15pm/ Gym
– Non-Regulation dress in Red & Green to show Christmas Spirit!

Sunday, December 11th – St. A's Wine for sale after each Mass

Monday, December 12th – 5 & 6th Geography Bee 10:30am/Extended Care

Thursday, December 15th – Min. Day 12:40 Dismissal TK-8
– No extended care after school only in the morning
🎄 Christmas Program 7pm/Church

****12/16/16 – 1/2/2016 Christmas Vacation**

****Tuesday, January 3rd – School Resumes**

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

God of Love,

Your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us.
He is a sign of your love.
Help us walk in that love during the weeks of Advent,
As we wait and prepare for his coming.
We pray in the name of Jesus, our Savior.
Amen.

During Advent, we not only prepare ourselves to celebrate the birth of Jesus, but we also check in to see if we are doing all the things that will keep us ready to receive Jesus when he comes again. A suggestion is to talk to your family about how you are doing in attending to your spiritual life as a family. Recommit yourselves to praying daily, reading Scripture, and staying faithful to God's commandments. Pray together that through this Advent season your family will be more prepared to receive Jesus when he comes again.

EXCITING NEWS! Check out the new parish website - <http://stapollinarisparish.org/> - it is amazing. I encourage you to sign up for "FORMED". It is similar to a Catholic Netflix. It will take your family through spiritual journeys during liturgical events throughout the year.

Next week, on December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and our students will present the donated cereal to the Napa Food Bank. Immediately following the Mass, we will have our junior high honor roll assembly. We encourage everyone to attend. The Mass begins at 11am.

Remember to get your Christmas scrip early. Did you know Fume Bistro, gives St. Apollinaris 20% back for each scrip purchase. This is a great way to celebrate the holidays! Special orders will take one week to return to you, so please order early.

Need parent hours? Interested in organizing Dine and Donates this year? It's as easy as contacting local restaurants to have a St. A's night. The restaurant provides a wonderful community atmosphere, you get a night off from cooking and the school receives a percentage of the profits. Please call the office if you are interested.

A reminder after reflection from conferences and report cards, the following clarification is now in effect:

Minor Misconducts are given for uniform infractions and unpreparedness for class.

Major Misconducts are given for behavior infractions.

For more information please refer to the handbook.

Advent Blessings,
Connie Howard





St. Apollinaris School Night Red Wine

Help support our school's tuition assistance program

Suggested Donation

\$30/ Bottle \$300/Case

Sold at Mass on December 11 and January 8 and in the school office

100% will be donated to tuition assistance thanks to:

The Wahle Family

Bin to Bottle- Mike McLoughlin

Rivercap

Paragon Label

Encore Glass

Sandra Cassayre

Michele Lemieux



2017 Contribution Envelopes are in!

It's time to pick up your Church Envelopes. They are located on the tables in the back of the Church. If you would like to start using envelopes, call the rectory to sign up. Parishioners who use envelopes make it easier for us to keep track of your donations for tax purposes. If you are accustomed to putting in a loose check, having an envelope number on the check allows us to also keep on accounting of your donations. Thanks to those who already use envelopes or who do Parish Pay. For questions call the rectory at 257-2555.



**THANK YOU LUNCH
FOR FATHER THOMAS
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4th
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm
IN THE HALL**

Please join us for a potluck luncheon for Father Thomas who is now assigned to St. John the Baptist Church here in Napa.

Please bring a salad or dessert to share.

Sandwiches, coffee and water will be provided.

See you then!

Sign up in the church to let us know if you'll be able to join us so we know how many sandwiches to prepare.

Father Thomas touched a lot of lives while he was at St A's.
We are happy to take this opportunity to thank him for being here!

SCRIP NEWS



The Christmas Season has arrived! Please Support St. A's!



Santa's Gift Guide



Teachers: Ulta, Target, Amazon & TJ Maxx
Visa Gift Cards



Business: Visa Gift Card, Starbucks,
See's Candies & Fume Bistro



The Home Improvement/Sporting Enthusiast:
Home Depot, Lowes, Sears, Cabela's, REI
and Big 5



Neighbors and Friends: Cinemark, Starbucks,
Peets and Panera

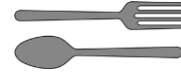


Scrip Angels Needed:

We are now filling our spring schedule and only have a few spots left. If you are interested in fulfilling your "A" and "B" hours selling scrip one weekend a month (February through July), please contact me at amewilliams.scrip@gmail.com.



Dining Out For the Holidays?



Sign up your credit cards at eScrip.com and earn at these participating restaurants.....Tarla, Don Perico, Napkins, Downtown Joes, Velo Pizza, New York Pizza, Rockville Corners and many more. Check out eScrip.com for a full list of local and Bay Area participating restaurants.



Shopwithscrip.com -Avoid the crowds and do all your Christmas shopping online. Scrip Now and Reload using Presto Pay is the smart choice this season. Our school enrollment code is E11F627C9L85. *The convenient way to shop!*



Visa Cards in denominations of \$50's, \$100's and S/O \$250's are great for corporate gifts, family gifts or for those that are hard to buy for! Use anywhere Visa is accepted, like Costco and Trader Joes!



Benefit-Mobile.com: A great way to support your school and earn towards your scrip obligation is to add the Benefit Mobile app to your smart phone. You can buy, manage, and redeem your digital gift cards instantly. There are over 80 participating retailers like Target, Amazon, and Whole Foods. It's super easy and super convenient for holiday shopping and everyday shopping!

How can you sign up?

1. Download the Benefit Mobile App from the iTunes store or Google Play Store
2. Search for our school
3. Shop at any of the participating retailers and use the app at check out

Who knew raising money for your school could be so easy!

Angela McWilliams

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ATHLETIC NEWS

Dunk
Dribble
Defense In Basketball News....

Our 7th and 8th grade teams continue regular season play this weekend, so put on your best blue and gold and come out to cheer them on. Go Shamrocks!!

8th grade boys vs. BOS at 11:30am @ St. A's

8th grade girls vs. BOS at 3:45pm @ St. Helena Montessori

7th grade boys vs. SF at 4:00pm MONDAY @ St. John Lutheran

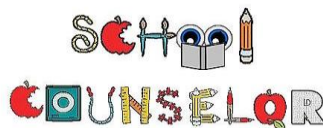
7th grade girls vs. SR at 10:15am @ St. A's



We are in need of the following volunteers ASAP! Please contact Jessica Martin at jmartin@stapollinaris.com to inquire. We sincerely appreciate your time and support!

Basketball Coach(es) for the 4th/5th grade girl's team. Practices will get underway right after we return from Christmas vacation so we would love to identify our volunteers in the next couple of weeks at the latest.

March Madness Coordinator(s) – Individuals will be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the March Madness Tournament (4 days), held at the beginning of March. This position satisfies all of your A and B hour requirements and is a really fun event! Last year's coordinator will provide all the information you need to get started. If you love sports and would love to be a part of the athletic department, this is the opportunity for you!



Please see the opportunity below to volunteer. What a wonderful way to continue to teach our children to think of their community and those in need this holiday season and beyond.

http://volunteer.cvn.org/agency/detail/?agency_id=41474



From The Activities Desk....

Here are some upcoming holiday activities:

<http://donapa.com/event/bright-lights-christmas-delights/>

<http://donapa.com/event/holiday-trolley/>

<http://www.naparegionaldance.com/the-nutcracker.html>