



Windsor-Essex  
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# Sacred Heart School

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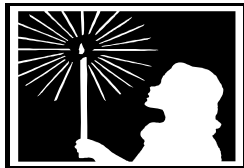
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December 2009

## Advent

Sunday, November 29, 2009 marked the beginning of the holy and happy season of Advent. In this time of expectation and joy, we recall the prophecies of old foretelling the coming of the Messiah, the savior of the world. Advent is a time of hope and promise. During this period of simple living and extra prayer, Jesus calls to us to make the whole world loving and peaceful. Let us be grateful for our many blessings and remember those who are less fortunate, as we try to prepare our homes and our lives for the coming of Jesus, the King of Glory and Prince of Peace.



## Olympic Torch Run

The Olympic Torch is coming through LaSalle on Wednesday, December 23rd. Each school in the LaSalle area has been asked to decorate a wooden tree symbolizing what the Olympic Games means...to our school, to our community, to our country. Look for the Sacred Heart tree on display in our front hall and in the Vollmer Centre. See the local LaSalle newspapers for details, or check out: <http://www.carrythetorch.com/>  
Be a part of this historic event!

The Advent wreath is a ring of evergreens with four candles, one for each week of Advent. Every part of the wreath reminds us of an important truth about God. The circle shape of the wreath stands for the unending love of God – a love without beginning or end. Because of God's unending



love for us, we have lives that do not end. The evergreens covering the wreath suggest life and growth and hope, because Jesus came into our world long ago, and He continues to come into our lives every day. The light that the candles give reminds us of Jesus, the Light of the World. The light coming from the candles increases throughout Advent as each week one more candle is lit. The weeks of waiting for the candles' full light help us to recall the world's long years of waiting for Jesus, the Light.

**As we approach this joyous season, the Grade 1 Classes of Sacred Heart School invite you to attend a presentation on the Nativity.**  
**TUESDAY, DEC. 15, 2009 at 8:45 a.m.**  
**Sacred Heart Church**

We wish to congratulate the many Grade 8 students who will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation this month in Sacred Heart Church. Celebrations will be held December 1st and 2nd at 7:00 p.m. May these young people be illuminated with the gifts of the Holy Spirit as they continue their faith journey in the Catholic Church.

## Advent Mass

Please join us for our special Advent Masses on December 16th (Gr. 6-8) and December 17th (Gr. 2-5) at 9:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church.

## Christmas Toy Drive

Instead of receiving teacher presents this year, many teachers have opted to collect new toys instead to spread Christmas joy to others. Please send a new toy in a gift bag with a removable label indicating the appropriate age and gender, accompanied by a card from your child to the teacher. These toys will be distributed to charities in the LaSalle area, to make Christmas a little happier for those in need. Thank you, teachers and parents, for your generosity!

**Blessing of the Advent Wreaths**  
**Tuesday, December 1, 9:30 a.m.**  
**Sacred Heart School Gym**

## Holiday Sharing Guide

At this time, many families are looking to donate to help others, or are in need themselves. 211 Windsor-Essex is pleased to announce the release of the 2009 Holiday Sharing Guide. The 4-page resource provides information on how to GIVE HELP to and GET HELP from all major gift, toy, food and meal programmes operating for the 2009 Holiday Season within Windsor and Essex County. Call 211 for information or to get the guide online, check out: [http://www.citywindsor.ca/documents/2009\\_Holiday\\_Sharing\\_Guide.pdf](http://www.citywindsor.ca/documents/2009_Holiday_Sharing_Guide.pdf)

## Inclement Weather Alert Information

Parents please listen to the local radio stations (AM 800) or check the school board website at [www.wecdsb.on.ca](http://www.wecdsb.on.ca) during inclement weather to find out if buses are running.



**Bus cancellation days** .....If your child rides the bus or walks and is unable to attend due to a cancellation you still must contact the school to report your child's absence.



- A friendly reminder to please avoid using the Church's parking lot. It is for the use of the parish.
- When your child will be late or absent, please be sure to call the school absentee line @ 734-1255.
- When students are picked up for an appointment parents are asked to please report to the office and your child will be called out from class.

## Hot Dog Day, Tuesday Dec. 8, 2009

The money that is raised by Parent Council through the hot dog luncheon will go to help families that are in need during this Christmas season. St. Vincent de Paul Society at Sacred Heart Church will receive half of the funds.



Triple P is a positive parenting program that has been developed in response to the many unmet needs and unanswered questions from parents and practitioners, worldwide.

Triple P is offering seminars and free parenting classes that are aimed at all parents interested in information about promoting their child's development.

Seminar topics include:

- Raising Resilient Children
- The Power of Positive Parenting
- Raising Confident & Competent Children

To register for an upcoming seminar call Help Link at 519-252-2313 ext. 231 or visit the website at [www.triplepwindsor-essex.ca](http://www.triplepwindsor-essex.ca)

## BOOK FAIR



This year the total book fair sales were \$5,688. This gives our school a profit of approx. \$2,174 towards new books for our library. Thank you to our parents and students for supporting the book fair and to the volunteers for making this year's book fair a great success. Congratulations to all the winners of our book fair contests.

## Read-A-Thon Prize Winners

Thank you, to all of the Sacred Heart students and families for the generous donation of \$14,916.00 to our Read-A-Thon. The class Pizza Party winner was Mrs. Bisnaire's class for raising \$1,596.05.

## STUDENT OF THE MONTH

For November 2009

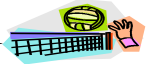
*Theme: Peacemaker*



JKMW	Erica B
JKTT	Athan D
JK/SKTT	Daniel S, Lauren D
SKMW	Jordan W, Alexis Z
SKTT	Michael H, Bradley V
1G	Vince D, Brendan B
1J	Ryan B, Emily Q
1M	Jade H, Sebastian Z
2S	Jenna H
2B	Victor C, Tara L

- 2G Jessica B, Owen F
- 2/3M Erin O
- 3D Lia R, Michael P
- 3N Alessandra P, Jaycee H
- 4J Jennifer L, Sarah H
- 4D A. J. P, Francesca G
- 4/5D Payton N, Emma L
- 5BZ Cassandra K, Elisa Q
- 5B Erin L, Megan L, Csengele Z
- 6B Juliann J, Alicia D
- 6MB Shane Y, Katie D, Joshua M
- 7H Tibor B, Cory F
- 7J Zachary L, Ashley B
- 7W Brandi M, Kane M
- 8M Chad M, Amber V
- 8R Brandon W, Patrick B
- 8P Rachelle R, Peter H

**VOLLEYBALL SEASON**



Congratulations to both the boys and the girl's teams for their efforts throughout the regular season and in the first playoff round. Thank you to Mr. Hall & Miss Daragon for their commitment and dedication during the volleyball season as well as the Assistant coaches, Mrs. Relic and Ms. Muldoon. Also, a special thanks to all our parents who supported the teams by driving to and from the games.

**REPORT CARDS WILL BE GOING HOME ON  
Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Parent Teacher Interviews  
Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup>  
4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

***Sacred Heart Church***

**THURSDAY, DEC. 24, 2009**

**CHRISTMAS EVE**

**5:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m., 9:00 p.m., 11:00 p.m.**

**SCHOOL MASS SCHEDULE**

**December 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Gr. 5/6- 8**

**December 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Gr. 2- 5**

**FRIDAY, DEC. 25, 2009**

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

**9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.**



**NEW YEAR – SOLEMNITY OF MARY,**

**MOTHER OF GOD**

**New Year's Eve, Thur. Dec. 31 - 5:00 p.m.**

**New Year's Day, Fri. Jan. 1 - 10:00 a.m.**

**COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE**

**Sun., Dec. 20, 2009 2:00 p.m.**

On behalf of the staff at Sacred Heart School  
We wish you a Happy and Holy  
Christmas Season.

