



# Saint Hilary School

Where faith, family, and academics thrive!

Dear Parent/Guardian,

November 18, 2015

On Friday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> the teachers and I attended the Catechetical Conference at Drury Lane. At that conference Archbishop Cupich thanked all the teachers for their sacrifices and devotion to their ministry. He is very aware and grateful for their dedication while receiving low salaries and often volunteering many hours of their time. He also reminded us that it is a parent's responsibility to work together with the school to nurture their child's faith outside the classroom. Our faith must be strengthened by family in order to take root.

We will gather together at 1:45 p.m. on Tuesday, November 24<sup>th</sup> for our Thanksgiving prayer service. All are welcome to celebrate and give thanks with us.

Please read the letter in the white envelope that was sent to you today in the Wednesday envelope. This letter pertains to our Annual Christmas Fund for the teachers. I appreciate you helping me show our deepest gratitude for their dedication to our children.

All Archdiocesan schools have been working with AdvancEd for a system-wide accreditation. Part of this process involves participation in surveys. Two years ago parents, faculty, and students completed an AdvancEd survey. There is one additional survey which involves our Catholic Identity. The faculty has completed this survey, students in 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade will complete their survey in class, and parents are also asked to complete a survey. The link for the parent survey is <http://www.advanc-ed.org/survey/public/0346778>. This survey closes on Sun., Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **Thank you:**

Last week I thanked many people for their help with our 8<sup>th</sup> graders Confirmation celebration and reception; however, I was remiss in thanking two people. Thank you to Mr. Mike Harris, our amazing photographer for taking photos before and after mass, as well as, during the ceremony. He has a wonderful eye and can truly capture special moments. Thank you to Mrs. Lisa Medina who baked all the cupcakes, cookies, banana bread, and apple bread on her own. You shared your delicious talent and we are grateful to you.

Thank you to those families who volunteered for lighting the Advent wreath. There are a few masses still available. See the flyer in today's envelope.

### **Ways to give service to others:**

- ✓ Bring in canned foods and nonperishable items for the hungry.
- ✓ Donate baked goods and "spirits" for the Women's Club bake sale.
- ✓ Collect your #1 plastic bottles/containers and aluminum cans (no alcoholic beverages) for our recycling rally – new contest starting after Thanksgiving!

### **Reminders:**

Attention all St. Hilary bakers! The Women's Club is hosting their annual bake sale on Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Vendor Craft Fair in the Vacala Auditorium. This is a large fund-raiser for these hard working ladies. They are looking for donations of baked items to sell – parents will receive volunteer service hours. All baked goods may be dropped off at school on Nov. 20 until 11:00 a.m. or directly to the Women's Club after any masses.

Our Student Council has begun our Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive. Please consider donating food items to allow those less fortunate than us enjoy a warm meal not only on Thanksgiving but throughout the year. This year we will be donating to the Heartland Alliance – the leading anti-poverty organization in the Midwest. On, Thurs. Nov. 19 any student who brings in 4 items may dress down (out of uniform) for the day. Ask your child which Star Wars character their class represents.

Deacon Juan Ramirez will hold a VIRTUS class on Thurs. December 3 from 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. Anyone who would like to volunteer for any school or parish events must complete this training. Please sign up for this session at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org).

***The end of the first academic trimester is November 20th. Please make sure your financial obligations to Saint Hilary are taken care of in a timely manner in the next two weeks. If you have experienced a change in circumstances please contact Mrs. Donovan to make adjustments to your bill and arrange a payment plan. Per board policy, students whose tuition and fees have not been kept up to date will be subject to exclusion on Wednesday, December 2nd. If your account is current, I thank you!***

### **Emergency Closing/Cold Weather**

Cold weather: Students will be kept in for indoor recess when the temperature is below 25 degrees (actually or with wind chill) or in wet rainy/snowy conditions. Please make

sure your child comes prepared to go outdoors – gloves, scarf, hat or hood. This is especially true of those who are on patrol.

### **Emergency Closing Information**

Our SchoolReach system will notify you either by phone or email in the event of our school closing due to weather. In addition, emergency closing information will be announced on WBBM Radio Newsradio 780 and WGN Radio 720. The television stations to watch are CBS Channel 2 Chicago, Channel 5, ABC Channel 7 Chicago, WGN Morning News, Fox 32 and CLTV News. On-line you may access information at [www.EmergencyClosings.com](http://www.EmergencyClosings.com). Our website [www.sthiliarychicago.org](http://www.sthiliarychicago.org) will also have closing information. We will close if the Archdiocese is closed as a system, an extremely rare event. **You should choose, based on your own judgment and situation, whether or not to keep your child(ren) home.**

### **Contents of this Wednesday's envelope:**

- SCP flyer
- Parent Ambassador flyer
- FSA Craft Fair, Christmas Party, and Volunteer flyers
- Advent Wreath flyer
- Women's Club Bake Sale flyer

### **Mark your calendars:**

- Fri. Nov. 20 – end of the 1<sup>st</sup> trimester
- Sun. Nov. 22 – Family Mass 10:00 a.m. hosted by Kindergarten and 4<sup>th</sup> grade
- Sun. Nov. 22 – FSA hosts the Vendor-Craft Fair 9 am – 3 pm in the Vacala Auditorium
- Tues. Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving Prayer Service
- Wed. Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> – Fri. Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> No School
- Thurs. Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> – Happy Thanksgiving!!
- Sun. Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> – Advent begins
- Mon. Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> – Parent Ambassador meeting 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria

Please check out the Peek at the Week for a look at the week ahead.

As always, if you have any questions please feel free to contact me at school 773-561-5885 or by email [donovan@sthiliarychicago.org](mailto:donovan@sthiliarychicago.org).

Gratefully,

*Mrs. Kathie Donovan*

Mrs. Kathie Donovan  
Principal

# A Peek at the Week

**WEEK OF: NOVEMBER 23 - 27**

*St. Hilary where faith, family, and academics thrive!*

**MONDAY: November 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Altar Servers: Truc, Toni, Nora**

- ✓ Religious Education classes
- ✓ Final day for Thanksgiving Food Drive collections!!!
- ✓ Cadet Band 7 – 7:45 a.m.
- ✓ Concert Band 3 – 4 p.m.
- ✓ Battle of the Books Rm. 204
- ✓ Yoga class 3:00 – 3:45 in the gym

**TUESDAY: November 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Altar Servers: Brandon, Sidonie, Phuc**

- ✓ NO Student Council meeting
- ✓ Thanksgiving Prayer Service 2:00 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY: November 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Altar Servers: Ruel, Joey, Luke**

- ✓ No School – Thanksgiving Holiday – School resumes on Monday Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>

At this time of Thanksgiving celebration our thoughts turn gratefully to you with warm appreciation and thanks for your continued support and dedication to the St. Hilary community.

Wishing you a Thanksgiving filled with warm moments and cherished memories with family and friends!



\*Altar servers please make sure to check your schedule over the break!

Advent begins Sunday, November 29th

# "May THE *FOOD* Be WITH you"

The annual St. Hilary Food Drive is being held during the weeks of November 9th and November 16th.

As a special incentive, if you bring in **4 or more canned items** on **Thursday, November 19th** you can **dress in a Stars Wars shirt** to match our theme. (Please no costumes, masks, or props). If you don't have any Star Wars attire you may wear the color of your grade's lightsaber!

PreK and K - Purple	1st Grade - Green	2nd Grade - Yellow
3rd Grade - Orange	4th Grade - Pink	5th Grade - Blue
6th Grade - Pink	7th Grade - Dark Blue	8th Grade - Red

The 4 canned items must be brought in with you that day to participate in the out of uniform day.

Thank you for all your donations during the Food Drive,  
St. Hilary Student Council





The Family & School Association is presenting a

# Christmas Craft & Gift Fair

Sun., Nov. 22 • 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

St. Hilary School Gym

**Nearly 40 crafters and vendors will be here to help you treat yourself or cross someone off your Christmas list!**

**Stop in and get some raffle tickets for the chance to win fabulous prizes from our participants!**

Here's just a sampling of what you'll find:

\* Wood ornaments \* Handmade gift items and creations \* Pampered Chef \* Scentsy \*  
\*Tastefully Simple \* Arbonne \* Tupperware \* Premiere Jewelers \*  
\* and many more! \*





# GOODIES GALORE!

The St. Hilary Women's Club  
will hold its annual  
Spring Bake Sale  
on November 22nd  
at the Vendor & Craft Fair after all the Masses  
in the Vacala Auditorium.

Bakers are asked to prepare their fabulous goodies  
and bring them to the Vacala Auditorium (gym) before  
masses on Sunday the 22nd,  
or they can be dropped off at school on  
Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> before 11:00 a.m.

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Don't forget to stop by to purchase  
your favorite sweets for the holidays.

Thank you  
The St. Hilary Women's Club



\*Service hours are available for baked items\*

## **Advent Wreath Lighting**

The Advent wreath is a Christian tradition that symbolizes the passage of the four weeks of Advent. Each of the four candles on the wreath represents an aspect of spiritual preparation for the celebration of the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. The Third Sunday of Advent, often called Gaudete Sunday, is represented by a rose colored candle. "Gaudete" is a Latin term for "rejoice" and, in this case, it is a reminder to rejoice that the time of Jesus' birth is near. During the season of Advent, candles are lit successively for each of the four Sundays of this penitential season.

Fr. Aloy and Fr. Tom are inviting families to take part in the lighting of the Advent wreath for all of the Masses each Sunday in Advent. Each family is asked to arrive at least 10 minutes before Mass. Choose your seat in the congregation. Leave your coats in the pew. Then return to the back of church to be part of the entrance procession. As you come to the sanctuary, bow and then walk up and stand near the Advent wreath. The wreath will be lit during the Kyrie. The candles are numbered. When the Cantor begins to sing, take the flame from one of the candles on the Altar and light candle #1 for the First Sunday of Advent, candles #1 and #2, for the Second Sunday, and so on. When the priest moves to the presider's chair you will return to your pew.

Please complete this form and return it to the school office or rectory. You will be notified of your assigned date. Thank you for your participation during this special time of the Church Year.

**Fr. Aloy      Fr. Tom      Mrs. Donovan      Deacon Ramirez**

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**Family Name**

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**Phone**

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**E-mail**

***Please choose your Mass dates & times:***

Sat. Nov. 28      5:00 p.m.        X  

Sun. Nov. 29      8:00 a.m.                

10:00 a.m.        X  

12:00 noon        X  

Sat. Dec. 5      5:00 p.m.                

Sun. Dec. 6      8:00 a.m.        X  

10:00 a.m.        X  

12:00 noon        X  

Sat. Dec. 12      5:00 p.m.                

Sun. Dec. 13      8:00 a.m.                

10:00 a.m.        X  

12:00 noon                

Sat. Dec. 19      5:00 p.m.                

Sun. Dec. 20      8:00 a.m.                

10:00 a.m.                

12:00 noon        X  





# ANNOUNCING!!!

**NEW**

## *The St. HILARY Parent Ambassador Program*

**2015-2016**

### **THIS PROGRAM IS:**

- a new way to communicate with St. Hilary families
- a recruitment opportunity to share St. Hilary with others
- encourages involvement in St. Hilary activities
- offers assistance for St. Hilary parents navigating challenges that may arise each year

### **PARENT AMBASSADORS ARE:**

- a resource for prospective, new, and current St. Hilary families in need of information
- a way to create unity within the St. Hilary family by making sure everyone is up-to-date on school-wide events with personal contact ahead of time

### **PARENT AMBASSADORS WILL:**

- make periodic phone calls and e-mails to prospective and new families to see how students and families are adjusting to St. Hilary
- guide new families through the transition to St. Hilary
- attend school-wide events to meet new families and introduce them to current families
- assist current families with any new questions that arise throughout the year
- visit parishes without schools or with closing schools
- provide tours to prospective families

### **INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING?**

We will be kicking-off this program on Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup> in the cafeteria. The meeting will be from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

If you are interested in serving as a Parent Ambassador please RSVP to Mrs. Donovan at or email [Donovan@sthilarychicago.org](mailto:Donovan@sthilarychicago.org) by Fri. November 20<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you considering this offer!!!!

## **Top 5 Reasons To Become A Parent Ambassador**

- 5 . You will meet a lot of great new friends.
4. It is a great way to earn participation hours.
3. You will learn things about the school that you never knew.
2. You will be playing an active role in the growth of the school.
1. You will get a cool St. Hilary shirt.



# St. Hilary



## Family & School Association

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

*The Family & School Association coordinates events for the children and families of St. Hilary. We need volunteers to help ensure that these programs are successful and lots of fun! Please consider sharing your gifts of time and talent to assist us. If your family is looking to complete service hours, here are some ways and upcoming events where helping hands would be greatly appreciated.*

### **Craft & Vendor Fair — November 22**

Help at our first craft and vendor fair! Set up on Saturday (Nov. 21) after 3:30 p.m. We also need volunteers starting at 6:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, to check-in vendors, answer questions, sell concessions and help ensure the event goes smoothly. We also need help with clean up after the vendor fair ends at 3 p.m. Please email Kathy Ernst at [ernst@sthilarychicago.org](mailto:ernst@sthilarychicago.org) or call the school office to volunteer.

### **Family Christmas Party — December 4**

Our annual celebration is Friday, Dec. 4. Available volunteer opportunities: Set up and decorate (3-6 p.m.), Greeters (starting at 6:15), Servers (6:30-9), Help with crafts and cookie-decorating (6:30-9), and Cleanup (9-10). Sign up online at Volunteer Spot at <http://vols.pt/H8KZu3> or contact Maria Hench at [mariahench@gmail.com](mailto:mariahench@gmail.com) or 773-620-0642.

### **Student Lock-In — December 11-December 12**

This is an overnight event for 6th through 8th graders. It starts at 7 p.m. Friday and ends at 7:30 a.m. on Sunday. Volunteers for this event must have completed VIRTUS training. Male and female chaperones to accompany the students overnight are especially needed, and shifts are available. We also need help with set up, check in, and dinner between 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. and with breakfast, checkout and clean up from 6:30 to 8:30 a.m. Sign up online at <http://vols.pt/4VQhng> or contact Kathy Ernst at [ernst@sthilarychicago.org](mailto:ernst@sthilarychicago.org).

### **Pancake Breakfast — January 31**

This event kicks off St. Hilary's Catholic Schools Week celebration. Volunteer opportunities include serving on the planning committee, setting up, greeting, cooking and serving food.



## **Thanksgiving**

### **Is just around the corner Be sure to order SCP early for that special holiday dinner!**

**Bonus Rebate Offers in November: Bath & Body Works (8%) Nov 7<sup>th</sup> - Dec 4<sup>th</sup>, Lettuce Entertain You (9%) Oct 31<sup>st</sup> - Dec 25<sup>th</sup>, Express (6%) Nov 14<sup>th</sup> - Nov 27<sup>th</sup>, ShutterFly (7%) Nov 14<sup>th</sup> - Nov 27<sup>th</sup>, Walgreens (4%) Nov 14<sup>th</sup> - Nov 27<sup>th</sup>, Fannie May (14.5%) Nov 14<sup>th</sup> - Nov 27<sup>th</sup>, Best Buy (1.5%) Nov 14<sup>th</sup> - Nov 27<sup>th</sup>, iTunes (2.5%) Nov 14<sup>th</sup> - Nov 27<sup>th</sup>, Pier 1 Imports (5.5%) Nov 14<sup>th</sup> - Nov 27<sup>th</sup>, Honeybaked (5.5%) Nov 14<sup>th</sup> - Nov 27<sup>th</sup>, Target (1.5%) Nov 14<sup>th</sup> - Nov 27<sup>th</sup> and Carson's (5.5%) Nov 14<sup>th</sup> - Nov 27<sup>th</sup>. Note: Subway Golden Gift card Giveaway Oct 31<sup>st</sup> thru Dec 13<sup>th</sup>.**

**\*ORDER EARLY TO ASSURE CERTIFICATE AVAILABILITY\***

**Remember, no order is too Big or too Small. It all goes to benefit our children.**

**You can now use your rebate towards reducing your tuition, your book fee, purchase gym uniforms, after school care, or add to your lunch card and as always you can buy more certificates, or donate your rebate to the school which would be used towards the school technology program**

- ❖ **USE THEM TO SHOP INSTEAD OF CASH, CHECK OR CREDIT.**
- ❖ **ST. HILARY RECEIVES A COMMISSION ON EACH CERTIFICATE SOLD.**
- ❖ **WE WILL SPLIT THAT COMMISSION "50-50" ON YOUR TOTAL PURCHASE FOR EACH QUARTER. IT CAN BE USED TOWARDS TUITION, BUY MORE CERTIFICATES OR DONATE IT TO THE SCHOOL.**
- ❖ **"FACTS" PARTICIPANTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR ALL THE BENEFITS OF THE SCP PROGRAM.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON SCP\***

**Email: KATHY ERNST @ [ernst@sthilarychicago.org](mailto:ernst@sthilarychicago.org)**

# CERTIFICATES USUALLY ON HAND:

CERTIFICATE ORDERS RECEIVED BY FRIDAY WILL BE AVAILABLE ON TUESDAY OF THE FOLLOWING WEEK:

## RESTAURANTS:

Burger King (2% rebate)	\$10 ____
Chili's (5.5% rebate)	\$25 ____
Chipotle (5.5% rebate)	\$10 ____
Dunkin Donuts (1.5% rebate)	\$10 ____
I Hop (4%rebate)	\$25 ____
Kentucky Fried Chicken (4.5% rebate)	\$5 ____
Lettuce Entertain You Restaurants (6.5% rebate)	\$25 ____
Lou Malnatis (3.5% rebate)	\$25 ____
Panera Bread (4.5% rebate)	\$10 ____
Olive Garden/Red Lobster (4.5% rebate)	\$25 ____
Panera Bread (4.5% rebate)	\$10 ____
Pizza Hut (4% rebate)	\$10 ____
Starbucks Coffee (3.5% rebate)	\$10 ____
Subway (1.5% rebate)	\$10 ____
Wendy's (2% rebate)	\$10 ____

## SPECIALTY:

AMC-Cineplex-Sony-Lowes Theaters (4% rebate)	\$25 ____
AMC-Cineplex-Sony-Lowes Theaters (4.5% rebate)	\$9 ____
Fannie May (12% rebate)	\$20 ____
I Tunes (1.5% rebate)	\$25 ____
Mobil/Exxon (0.50% rebate)	\$50 ____
Shell Debit Card (1% rebate)	\$25 ____
Shell Debit Card (1% rebate)	\$100 ____
U.S. Postage Stamps 20 @ .49¢ (0% rebate)	8.8 ____

## RETAIL:

Bath & Body Works (6.5% rebate)	\$10 ____
Best Buy (1.5% rebate)	\$25 ____
Carson Pirie Scott (4.5% rebate)	\$25 ____
Claire's (4.5% rebate)	\$10 ____
Dick's Sporting Goods (3% rebate)	\$25 ____
Gordon Food Service (1.5% rebate)	\$25 ____
Home Depot (2% rebate)	\$25 ____
Jewel-Osco (2% rebate)	\$25 ____
Jewel-Osco (2% rebate)	\$100 ____
Lowe's Home (2% rebate)	\$25 ____
Marianos (2% rebate)	\$25 ____
Marshall's/T J Maxx(3.5% rebate)	\$25 ____
Muller Meats (3% rebate)	\$20 ____
Old Navy,Gap,Banana Republic (2% rebate)	\$25 ____
Ross (5% rebate)	\$25 ____
Toy-R-Us (1.5% rebate)	\$20 ____
Walgreens (3% rebate)	\$25 ____
Wal-mart (1.25% rebate)	\$25 ____

## ST. HILARY GIFT CERTIFICATE

CHOOSE THE AMOUNT \$\_\_\_\_\_

CERTIFICATE ORDERS (FROM BOTTOM SECTION) RECEIVED BY FRIDAY WILL BE AVAILABLE ON TUESDAY OF THE FOLLOWING WEEK:

## RESTAURANTS:

	\$10 ____
	\$10 ____
Boston Market (6.5% rebate)	\$10 ____
Buffalo Wild Wings (3.5% rebate)	\$25 ____
Eduardo's Pizza (4% rebate)	\$10 ____
Houlihan's (4% rebate)	\$25 ____
Mrs. Fields Cookies (9% rebate)	\$10 ____
Outback Steakhouse (4% rebate)	\$25 ____
Red Robin (4.5% rebate)	\$25 ____

## SPECIALTY:

Barnes & Noble (4% rebate)	\$10 ____
B P Gas (.50% rebate)	\$50 ____
Chuck E. Cheese (4% rebate)	\$20 ____
Honey Baked Ham (4.5% rebate)	\$25 ____
Hyatt Hotels (4% rebate)	\$25 ____
Oberweis (4.5% rebate)	\$10 ____
Timber Ridge Lodge (4.5% rebate)	\$25 ____

## RETAIL:

Bed, Bath & Beyond (3% rebate)	\$25 ____
Build A Bear (4% rebate)	\$25 ____
Crate & Barrel (3% rebate)	\$25 ____
CVS Pharmacy (2% rebate)	\$25 ____
Eddie Bauer (4.5% rebate)	\$25 ____
Express (5.0% rebate)	\$25 ____
Foot Locker (4% rebate)	\$25 ____
Hair Cuttery (4% rebate)	\$10 ____
J C Penneys (2% rebate)	\$25 ____
Land's End (7% rebate)	\$25 ____
Lane Bryant (4% rebate)	\$25 ____
Mario Tricoci (4% rebate)	\$25 ____
Menard's (1.5% rebate)	\$25 ____
Office Depot (2% rebate)	\$25 ____
Office Max (2.5% rebate)	\$25 ____
Payless Shoes (6.5% rebate)	\$10 ____
Pier 1 Imports (4.5% rebate)	\$20 ____
Pottery Barn/Wm. Sonoma (4% rebate)	\$25 ____
Shutterfly (4.5% rebate)	\$25 ____
Sports Authority (4% rebate)	\$25 ____
Target (1.00% rebate)	\$25 ____
Target (1.00% rebate)	\$100 ____

Please note: When one or more companies are listed together, the certificates are good at either store.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ORDER TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

SEND WITH STUDENT \* \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

WILL PICK-UP AT SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: St. Hilary School

\*PLEASE NOTE: St. Hilary School & its Board cannot be held responsible for any loss that may occur in transit.

Any Questions, Call Kathy Ernst (773) 989-9249.

ROOM # \_\_\_\_\_

**Santa is coming to St. Hilary**

# **FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4 \* 6:30 TO 9 P.M.**

**ST. HILARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA**

**\$20 PER FAMILY BEFORE DEC. 1 / \$25 PER FAMILY AT THE DOOR**

Pictures with Santa + Letters to Santa

Pizza + Refreshments + Hot Cocoa Bar

Decorate cookies + Make ornaments & crafts

**BINGO + Raffle**

Prizes include gifts from

Brookfield Zoo, Shedd Aquarium, Laser Quest, Putter's Edge, Beijo de Chocolate, Potbelly, Lou Malnati's, Starbucks, Bricks 4 Kidz, and more!

**Please RSVP by Tuesday, December 1**

Please cut and return this form with your payment by **Tuesday, Dec. 1**, to let us know that you are coming. This will help us make it a great evening. Thank you!

**Yes! My family is planning to attend the Christmas Party.**

Family name: \_\_\_\_\_

A total of \_\_\_\_\_ family members will be there.





# *Calling all volunteers!*

Ring in the season at the annual Family Christmas Party on **Friday, December 4**. Volunteers are needed to help with the festivities. This is a fun way to earn family service hours. Parents: If you have a high school student who is looking for service hours, their help would be most welcome!

## AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Set up	3 to 6 p.m.	Decorate the cafeteria; set up food and drinks; prepare activity areas
Greeters	Please arrive at 6:15 p.m.	Greet and check in families, collect admission if necessary
Servers	6:30 to 9 p.m.	Serve food and drinks
Craft tables	6:30 to 9 p.m.	Staff craft tables and help children and families with the activities
Cookie decorating	6:30 to 9 p.m.	Pass out cookies and assist children and families with decorating
Raffle	6:30 to 8 p.m.	Sell tickets and draw the winners
BINGO	8 to 9 p.m.	Run the BINGO games
Clean up	9 to 10 p.m.	Clean up after the party

## HOW TO VOLUNTEER

Sign up on Volunteer Spot at <http://vols.pt/H8KZu3>

Contact Maria Hench at [mariahench@gmail.com](mailto:mariahench@gmail.com) or 773-620-0642





## WARMEST HOLIDAY GREETINGS!

Dear St. Hilary Parent(s) and Guardian(s),

As we begin another holiday season, we realize as families and as a school community, that we have many things to be thankful for here at St. Hilary.

Every day, our faculty and staff guide and teach our children, and emphasize the importance of our Catholic faith. Many of our children receive instruction from four to eight teachers per week: including their homeroom teacher, the safety provided by our crossing guards, as well as receiving the support of our office staff, and the staff in our cafeteria.

With this in mind, we are inviting you to participate in the 14th Annual St. Hilary Christmas Fund to benefit our teachers and staff. In lieu of purchasing individual holiday gifts for each teacher, we are hoping you will consider making a donation to the Christmas Fund. This is a donation to a fund from which we disburse cash gifts to the teachers, staff and support personnel at their Christmas Luncheon with Fr. Aloy.

We encourage you to donate to this fund. There is no limit to the amount you can give, from \$1—\$500; any donation is greatly appreciated! The amount you give is kept completely confidential and is entirely at your discretion. We also encourage you to have your child(ren) write notes to his/her teachers telling them that they donated to the Christmas Fund. It is a wonderful way to show your support of our exceptional faculty and staff at St. Hilary.

In closing, we would like to say that we do acknowledge the fact that we have all been hit by this difficult economy. We would still like to give something to the teachers to show our appreciation for all their hard work. Again, any donation you give will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Donovan and the Christmas Fund Committee



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## ST. HILARY CHRISTMAS FUND 2015

Enclosed is our donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the teachers and staff of St. Hilary.

You may enclose, cash, money order, or a personal check (payable to St. Hilary School). Please return to school no later than Friday, Dec. 11th in an envelope marked "Christmas Fund". Thank you very much!!

# St. Hilary School

## K-8 LunchSmart Menu December 2015

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	<b>December 1</b>  <b>Teriyaki Chicken</b> Brown Rice* Sliced Carrots Mixed Fruit	<b>December 2</b>  <b>Turkey Ham &amp; Cheese Melt*</b> Broccoli Florets Pineapple Snickerdoodle Cookie*	<b>December 3</b>  <b>Chicken Bowl with Mashed Potatoes &amp; Corn*</b> Applesauce Dinner Roll*	<b>December 4</b>  <b>All-Beef Hot Dog on a Bun*</b> Kettle-Baked Beans Pears
<i>Weekly Salad Special: Chicken Caesar Salad with Croutons &amp; Breadstick* / Spotlight Fruit of the Week: Clementine + Other Fruits as Shown on Menu</i>				
<b>December 7</b>  <b>BBQ Rib Sandwich on a Bun*</b> Corn Peaches	<b>December 8</b>  <b>Turkey Soft Tacos* with Salsa</b> Refried Beans Mixed Fruit	<b>December 9</b>  <b>Waffle Sticks* with Yogurt</b> Baby Carrots Pineapple	<b>December 10</b>  <b>Spaghetti* with Homemade Meat Sauce</b> Broccoli Florets Applesauce	<b>December 11</b>  <b>Cheesy Pizza*</b> Green Beans Pears
<i>Weekly Salad Special: Crispy Chicken Salad &amp; Breadstick* / Spotlight Fruit of the Week: Grapes + Other Fruits as Shown on Menu</i>				
<b>December 14</b>  <b>Chicken Tenders* with BBQ Dipping Sauce</b> Kettle-Baked Beans Sliced Carrots / Peaches Breadstick*	<b>December 15</b>  <b>Turkey Ham &amp; Cheese Melt*</b> Sweet Potato Waffle Fries Mixed Fruit 	<b>December 16</b>  <b>Cranberry-Orange Chicken*</b> Scalloped Potatoes Green Peas / Pineapple Honey Wheat Dinner Roll* Snickerdoodle Cookie*	<b>December 17</b> <b>Lasagna Roll-Up*</b> <b>Or</b> <b>Breaded Chicken Sandwich</b> Broccoli Pears Garlic Bread*	<b>December 18</b>  <b>No School</b>
<i>Weekly Salad Special: Chef Salad with Croutons &amp; Breadstick* / Spotlight Fruit of the Week: Fresh Melon on December 16 + Other Fruits as Shown on Menu</i>				
<b>December 21</b>	<b>December 22</b>	<b>December 23</b>	<b>December 24</b>	<b>December 25</b>
<b>Winter Break</b>				
<i>Weekly Salad Special: Apple-Cranberry Chicken Salad with Pretzels* / Fruits as Shown on Menu</i>				

### Additional Entrées Offered Daily

**Monday** – Pepperoni French Bread Pizza\* / **Tuesday** – Chicken Nuggets\* with Twisted Breadstick & BBQ Dipping Sauce / **Wednesday** – All-American Cheeseburger on a Bun\* / **Thursday** – Chicken Corn Dog\* / **Friday** – Breaded Chicken Sandwich\* / Sunbutter & Jelly Sandwich with a Yogurt Cup **available every day**

### Salad and Fresh Fruit Available Each Day

\*=Item contains whole grains / Milk contains no artificial growth hormones or antibiotics  
Menu is subject to change based on availability and quality of food items  
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### Go Lean with Protein

What do poultry, beans, eggs, and seeds have in common? They are all considered to be proteins. Foods that fall into this category supply many beneficial nutrients including magnesium, iron, zinc, B vitamins, and vitamin E. The key is to choose lean proteins instead of proteins that are high in saturated fat and cholesterol. The amount of protein you need to eat depends upon your age, gender, and level of physical activity.



## Happy Holidays