

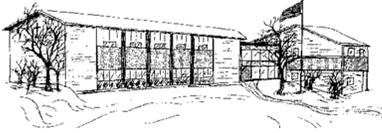
St. Andrew School Newsletter

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Looking Ahead:

NOV 28	iGIVECATHOLIC day for giving (Check out our FB page!)
Nov 28	Jewelry Display
Nov 30	Feast of St. Andrew, Mass 10:00/ 5 th ,6 th ,7 th Movie at Cinemark
Dec 3	6-12 Choir sings at Festival of Trees 3:00 at Civic Center
Dec. 4	Advent Wreath Lighting 8:00 am each day in gym
Dec. 5	2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th Movie <i>The Star</i> at Cinemark
Dec 7	Early release 11:35, teachers' meeting
Dec 8	Late start,8:15, Feast of the Immaculate Conception/K-1 Grandparent Tea
Dec 11	Deadline for Giving Tree gifts
Dec 20	8-12 Movie at Cinemark
Dec 20	Christmas Programs
Dec 21-Jan 2	Christmas Break
Jan 3	Classes resume
Jan 10	Early release, 11:35, teachers' meeting
Jan 11	Uniform sale in gym
Jan 12	Ski day CANCELLED

Weekly Events

Cathedral Children's Choir practice: Tuesdays 3:15

School Store: Wednesdays 11:30-12:00

Homework Club: M-TH 3:00-4:15

Volunteers: Please remember to keep up with VIRTUS emails

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Tuesday, Nov 28- iGIVECATHOLIC!

Please send this link to your friends and relatives **TODAY!** <https://igivecatholic.org/designee/st-andrew-school> November 28 is Giving Tuesday, a day when many people donate online to their favorite charities. We depend on our parents to get the word out about this new way to donate to ST. Andrew. Any amount is appreciated! Let's see how many people we can encourage to participate!

How does it work?

#iGiveCatholic is an online platform with searchable profiles of participating not-for-profit organizations affiliated with participating arch/dioceses. All donations will be processed through the website iGiveCatholic.org. Anyone can donate to his or her favorite ministry on Tuesday, November 28th from midnight until 11:59 pm.

When will this happen?

#iGiveCatholic giving day runs from midnight until 11:59 pm on Tuesday, November 28, 2017. All donations must be made at iGiveCatholic.org during that 24-hour period. The minimum donation is \$25 and there is no maximum.

How does this help our school?

Through this online platform donors from around the country have an opportunity to make a donation to our school. Many, many people choose to give on Giving Tuesday. Please let your friends and relatives know that our school is participating in this event!

We know that, for Catholics, generosity and giving have a profound meaning. As children of God, giving is the ultimate expression of mercy as we feed the hungry, clothe the naked, give shelter to the homeless and preserve **our Catholic heritage for future generations by supporting Catholic Schools!** Compelled to action by our shared faith, Catholics are energized to give back knowing that little is much when God is in it.

Nov 30: All School Mass



Feast of St. Andrew

Please join us for a celebration of the feast of St. Andrew on Thursday, November 30 at 10:00 am in the school gym.

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Jewelry Fundraiser Nov. 21-28

Premier Design orders will ship directly to your home (\$7 shipping) and will arrive before Dec 12th.

Fill in your order form including ring size, if necessary. Pay with cash, credit card or check.

Return your orders with payment to the office Nov. 28

OR: Order online at: [premierdesigns.com/Robin Frey](http://premierdesigns.com/RobinFrey)

Jewelry will be shown from 2:30-3:30 on **Tuesday, Nov. 28**, in the gym.

Come see your favorite pieces.

Profits will be donated to St. Andrew School

Contact Robin Frey with questions at 465-7690 or robinfrey@mt.net

Nov 30: the High School girls' game in Whitehall has been changed to 5:00pm

Dec 3: St. Andrew Choir at Festival of Trees

St. Andrew School Choir, grades 6-12 will sing at the Festival of trees on Sunday, Dec 3 at 3:00pm, at the Civic Center auditorium. Mrs. Kihana VanDiest will direct the choir.

Students must attend this event unless they have been excused previously by Mrs. VanDiest; a note from the parents must be sent to the school office by Nov 20th.

Mrs. Smillie, Mr. Nelson, Mrs. Buffington, Mr. Greaney and Mrs. Lozano will chaperone.

Students must be at the staging area by 2:25. Entrance is through the Neill Ave doors.

Attire: Black slacks and white shirt, red tie/red cross-tie, dress shoes if possible.

Free parking is available across from the front doors of the Civic Center in several places: on Park Ave., both sides of the street, BCBS parking lots, and the parking garage near the movie theater.

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Dec 4: Martinson's CANDY SALE

St. Andrew families raised just over \$5000 for the school. Thanks very much to all who participated! Candy will arrive at the school on Monday, Dec 4th.

Dec 7: EARLY RELEASE

Our early release day is Thursday, December 7th for teachers meetings.

All students will be dismissed at 11:35am.

Please make sure arrangements have been made for your children



Dec 8: Grandparents' Christmas Tea



Grandparents of kindergarten and first grade are invited to a Christmas tea on December 8th at 1:00 p.m. in the school gym. This event will include making a craft with their grandchildren and getting to know the other grandparents in the class.

Dec 11: Sacred Heart Club



Sacred Heart of Jesus, St. Andrew Junior League

Monday, December 11, 11:35

Art Room

Prayer, fellowship, snacks and the opportunity to learn more about the Sacred Heart of Jesus.
All students are welcome. Bring your lunch.



THE CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

St. Andrew School is participating in the Giving Tree during Advent this year to help people whose Christmas would otherwise be rather bleak. There are tags on the tree in the gym with the gender and the age of a child listed. Please help by taking one (or more) of the tags and buying a suitable gift for that child. Gifts must be unwrapped with the tag attached and placed under the tree in the gym by December 11.

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SAT and ACT

All seniors should have either taken the SAT or ACT tests or be signed up to do so. Juniors also need to be thinking about taking one or both of these tests. Many juniors take the test in the early winter or spring.

Exciting New Opportunity! Big Sky Scholarships

In 2015, the legislature passed Montana's first law specifically designed to give parents access to funding to find the best school for their student. This program offers dollar-for-dollar tax credit on your Montana taxes for up to \$150 per person (\$300 per couple). You are still entitled to claim a charitable deduction for donations above \$150 (\$300 per couple). The entire amount of any donation is eligible for the federal charitable deduction. St. Andrew School is an affiliate of the Big Sky Scholarship foundations. Parents may request that donations to this organization be directed to the St. Andrew School Scholarship program. Please call Donna Smillie (406-449-3201) if you would like to know more about how you can make a \$150-\$300 donation to help students attend St. Andrew and receive 100% credit for it on your taxes.

PARENTS AND STUDENT DRIVERS:

We have had some complaints from neighbors about people driving too fast on Flowerree and Linden. There are many children walking to and from St. Andrew and CR Anderson School each day. Please drive safely!

Seniors



Please remember to submit a Senior photo to the office for the yearbook and the Senior wall pictures. Pictures for the wall should be 2¼ x 3".

Deadline is: February 15th

Sports

We are still looking for a coach for the Junior High girls' basketball team. The girls will not get to play if a coach cannot be found. Please call Sarah Birnel if you can coach the girls. (406-202-0954)

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Emerald Isle Auction 2018



Don't forget to sell your **Auction raffle tickets!** Additional tickets are available in the Auction room if you want more.

Auction posters can be picked up in the school office. This is great advertising for the school. Help us get the word out by taking a few and hanging them in some of the businesses you frequent. And while you're at it, don't forget to pick up some **procurement cards** in the school office so we can acquire some great items for the auction.

Our school needs ALL OF US to help make the auction a success.

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