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November 28 – December 2

First Grade Parents,

 Well, I think our bread baking was a success! Thank you to all who were able to help and all who prayed for us!! I got many compliments from the parishioners at the Thanksgiving Mass.

 Well, we finally have a pretty normal week ahead of us. There will be a spelling test this week on “th” words and there is a new Bible verse for the week – letter H.

 We are hosting mass this week. Please join us if you can. Those students in choir need to be in the church at 7:30 AM on Wednesday for a final practice. It is also our week to be in charge of the offering. Please send in a can or box of food for HOPE. Maybe you have a can or two of something that you didn’t use at your Thanksgiving dinner.

 This Thursday is St. Nick’s gift shop. The first graders will be visiting from 8:15 – 8:45 AM. For those of you who are new to CTK, the students are given the opportunity to do their own Christmas shopping for family and friends. There are really lovely and affordably priced gifts for the students to purchase. Most are religious in nature. I am always so amazed at the gifts available. Adults are there to help and the gifts are even pre-wrapped. If you would like your child to be able to shop, look for a “St. Nick’s Shopping List” to come home on Tuesday. On this list you can write down the names of those people you would like your child to shop for and the dollar limit your child is to spend. Gifts will come home that same day. It’s a wonderful thing!!

 November Book-It reading logs are due by this Friday if your child is participating. New reading logs will be sent home on Wednesday.

          Speaking of reading, I am opening a Scholastic book order. I know that we had the book fair not too long ago, but books are fantastic Christmas presents!! I will send home flyers on Tuesday. There are some special catalogs available this year with religious and holiday choices. If you are ordering online, look under the Special Collections tab. If you need me to, I can pass any orders along to Santa. Just let me know which books those are and I will be sure that he gets that list. You can access Scholastic through the Parent tab on my website. The order will open on Tuesday and close on the Thursday, December 8th.

 Don’t forget about our Blanket Drive, which ends Friday. The class that brings in the most blankets will receive a fun prize (pizza, ice cream, or a free dress day) courtesy of the PTO. The real winners are the families who will be warm this winter, though!

 I will be sending home information about a class Christmas gift exchange next week. Mr. McCloskey and I are still discussing a possible Buddy gift exchange.

 Thank you to the Hoban Family for providing snacks this week. The Berryman Family will be providing snacks next week.

 May God Bless You,

 Mrs. Stevason