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Principal's Thoughts

The month of November affords us the time to take pause and celebrate all that God has provided. Yesterday we celebrated the men and women who are currently serving or have served previously in the military. We chose to be in school on the 11th so we could show our respect and honor our guests on their special day. We also recognized the families that support the work of our service men and women by holding the household together in their absence. This career choice often involves many changes of location and it takes a special person to navigate these moves. We were thrilled that so many veterans could join us. Congratulations to the third grade class and Mrs. Warren for their reverence and being so prepared.

Patriotism is our virtue this month which reminds us to give thanks for this country in which we live. While there is always work to be done to improve any government, we are gifted with many freedoms not afforded other countries. We are especially blessed to be able to openly practice our faith!

Dear Jesus, please bless my country and all those who work hard to lead it.

May You always be King of this land.

May You be glorified through its government and laws.

Give me a heart of service.

Amen

Virtue

Weekly Virtue: Patriotism

Definition: Paying due honor and respect to one's country, with a willingness to serve. **Looks Like:** Showing respect for your country's flag: saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sounds Like: "I pledge allegiance to the flag . . ."

Virtues are dispositions and habits that guide your decision making and action steps to the positive. Through virtues, God gives us the grace to live as we should and to be charitable with all mankind.



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St. Agnes School Mission Statement

St. Agnes School, in partnership with the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Oakland educate children in the Catholic faith and nurture their minds, bodies, and souls, inspiring them to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, achieve their highest academic and creative potential, and actively serve and enrich the community.



Statements

- We are halfway through the scrip and volunteer year. Statements for your volunteer hours and scrip usage can be found in your envelope. Please review carefully.
- o Questions about scrip should be directed to Mrs. Kelley
- Questions about your volunteer hours can be sent to: <u>PACE-volunteer-hours@stagnesconcord.com</u>

Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive

- Each November we collect food for those who are experiencing food insecurity. This year
 the need is even greater. We are partnering with the SHARE Ministry of the parish to
 provide for families in need.
- o Please consider donating a food item and \$1.00/child by Wednesday, November 19th.
- A list has been provided in your family envelope with items designated by family last name. The \$1.00 donation will be used for perishable items.
- o Thank you for your generosity.

Thank you

o Our bathrooms are looking pristine. Thank you for your help.



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Get It While It's Hot!

- o You are cordially invited to attend the St. Agnes Parish Christmas Dinner and/or Concert on Saturday, December 13th at 6:30pm and 7:30 respectively.
- o Early bird pricing ends on November 23rd (adults \$25 & children \$5.)
- o Parties of 8 will be seated together.
- o From the Artic to Africa, Songs for the Season Christmas Concert begins at 7:30 in the church. Refreshments will be available for purchase, during the intermission.
- o The dinner reservation form and concert flyer have been posted on our website.

• Little Vinnies Meeting

- o The meeting this month will take place on November 20th @ 3:15pm in the Ministry Center.
- o We hope to see our junior students there!



Ho! Ho! Ho!

- o Santa is working up an appetite and would love to have some company for breakfast.
- \circ Join us at our Annual Breakfast with Santa in the church hall on Saturday, December 6th.
- o There will be two seatings: 8am-10am & 10am-12pm.
- o A flyer with a QR code to make your reservation is included in your envelope today.
- o This event typically sells out quickly. Ticket sales close on December 3rd.

Schoolwide Learning Expectation 3.4: A life-long learner who is able to work to his/her ability.



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	IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS
11/13	Scrip Sold 9-11am
11/14	• 8:15 Mass 1 st & 7 th (Formal)
	Scrip Sold 9-11am
	Jr. High Academic Awards Assembly
	2:30pm – Church
	Report Cards Go Home
11/15	Work Party 9am-1pm
11/16	33 rd Sunday of Ordinary Time <u>Luke</u>
	<u>21:5-19</u>
11/18	Spirit T-Shirt Tuesday
11/19	Last Day for the Food Drive
11/20	Scrip Sold
	School Board Meeting 6:30 Ministry
	Center
11/21	Scrip Sold 9-11am
	Stone Soup 10am
	Thanksgiving Prayer Service 2:15pm
11/22	Thanksgiving Break Begins!