

January 4 Notes from the Office:

1. Tomorrow is a First Friday, so we will be attending First Friday Mass. We start our day at school with a prayer for the Sacred Heart of Jesus, but see the link [here](#) to learn more about First Fridays and how you can practice this devotion as a family.

2. Our next HSA meeting is Tuesday, Jan. 9 at 7:00 PM in the Gym. See [HSA's January Newsletter](#) for details! You'll also learn more about the Skating Party scheduled for the evening of January 18 at Skate City!

3. Catholic Schools Week is January 28-February 3. A detailed outline of what we have planned will come out soon, but mark your calendars for our Family Mass/Pastries with Parents on these days: **Grades 3, 4, & 5** on **January 29** at 8:15; **Grades 6, 7, & 8** on **January 30** at 8:15; and **Grades K, 1, & 2** on **January 31** at 8:15am.

4. Don't forget to send in your [Stewardship Hours Reports](#), and remember that up to 20 of your hours can be completed outside of the parish/school. The Stewardship Year ends on February 28, 2018.

5. We hope that everyone is planning to attend **Parenting the iGen** on **January 23 at 6:30 PM!** We think it's vital that parents know about and understand the different social media platforms that their children are using (or will use someday soon). This engaging one hour seminar geared towards St. Columbkille parents specifically will give you the facts well as an opportunity to ask questions. On January 24, Smart Girl Society will present *Smart Students* to our 4th-8th graders and *Educating the iGen* to our teachers.

6. First Semester **Report Cards** will be sent home with all students next **Thursday, January 11.**

7. Stewardship Opportunity: We are looking for adult crossing guards to help us cross to and from morning Masses on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Please contact the office if there is a day that you are available to help!

8. Stewardship Opportunity: We are looking for volunteers to help pass out some materials at all of the Sunday Masses this weekend. Please see the SignUp Genius [here](#) for more details and sign up if you can.

9. Last Call: **Hy Vee Receipts for our School!** Please send in all of your Hy Vee Receipts from over the holidays by next Monday, January 8. All Receipts must be dated prior to December 31. Thank you for all of your support!!

10. St. C Athletics Information:

Registration for Spring 2018 Crusaders Soccer is OPEN! Registration is open for U7-U14 Boys and Girls Soccer. Regular season runs April-May (not including tournaments). To register, visit the Athletics website www.saintcolumbkilleathletics.org. The deadline to register is January 12th. Questions? Contact Sarah Yarpe at sayarpe@saintcolumbkille.org or 402-592-1533.

St. C Athletics Bowling Fundraiser Updates: Thank you to those who registered for this year's bowling fundraiser on January 26th! All bowling lanes are mostly spoken for; however, we currently have some individual spots that are open. If you aren't registered on a team, but would like to come for some food and fun, we are offering meal tickets for just \$10. Contact Travis Pinkelman at 402-490-0367 or trcp@hotmail.com.

Knights of Columbus Council #6429 Free Throw Contest: The Knights of Columbus Council #6429 Free Throw Contest will be held on Friday January 12th in the St. Columbkille Gym. The contest is open to Boys and Girls ages 9-14. Ages 9, 10 and 11: registration will end and shooting will begin at 6:00. Ages 12, 13 and 14: registration will end and shooting will begin at 7:00. Registration forms will be available at the event. Please contact Dick Van

Haute at 402-871-4647 if you have questions.

CRUSADER BASEBALL SPRING 2018 OPENINGS! Additional positions have become available on our existing 11U and new 12U St. Columbkille select baseball teams for the Spring 2018 season. If you are interested, please contact our Baseball Director, Jim Horacek, at jehoracek@gmail.com. Age level is determined by the player's age as of April 30, 2018. Off season workouts are beginning soon, so please do not wait!