



# SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

FAITH + FAMILY + RESPONSIBILITY + RESPECT

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Dear Parents,

November 26, 2019

With Thanksgiving so very near, I asked a few randomly chosen students, "For what are you thankful?" They came to me one at a time, sharing their simple and wise answers.

Stella Havlat – Pre-K "My family."

Daysha Lorenzo Aguilar – Kindergarten "My family."

Chelssy Lorenzo Aguilar – Grade 1 "My parents and my family."

Bryan Jaimes – Grade 2 "My dog, Snowflake, and my family"

Ranae Ward – Grade 3 "My mom and dad and relatives."

Cinthia Lopez Rodriguez – Grade 4 "For having my house and for having food."

Claire Malousek – Grade 5 "For God and for my parents."

Eloy Rosales Arciga – Grade 6 "I am thankful for the world and for my family."

As the children know, if we have God and family, home and food, (and maybe a pet named Snowflake) we have an abundance and we are very very blessed. Happy Thanksgiving!

In the Heart of Christ the King,

Sister Mary Alma, C.K.

**Prayer to Saint James** St. James the Greater, patron of our school, enkindle in our hearts the same burning love you had for our Lord. May we answer His call, as you did, to be "fishers of men". May we possess your zeal for Christ, a love that led you to be the first Apostle to die for the faith. Protect, direct and bless our school family. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**See St. James Children on and Sisters on Video:** Open this link to see some of the St. James School children on video and to learn a little more about the School Sisters of Christ the King. <http://www.cksisters.org/Pages/community.aspx> A videographer recently filmed ***A Day in the Life of Sister Marie Amata***. Of course, St. James children featured strongly as well as the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders class pet, Corbin the frog!

**Coats and Winter Clothing:** Winter is coming soon. If your child needs a winter coat or gloves, hats, mittens or socks, please let Sister Mary Alma know. We have some brand new items to give away and access to more. (402) 826-2318.

**Under the Tree:** If you need some help with purchasing Christmas gifts for your children, please let the school know. (402) 826-2318. The Crete Police offers a program to help parents provide clothing and gifts for their children during the Christmas season.

**SCRIP:** SCRIP is a great fundraiser for St. James School and is easy to do on your part. Please consider using SCRIP for all your shopping needs. We need more volunteers to sell SCRIP after Mass. Please call the office if you are interested in selling. It is not difficult and we will train you in what to do. (402) 826-2318.

**School Closings:** St. James School will follow the Crete Public Schools for school closings and late start days due to dangerous weather conditions. Call School Closing (402) 826-7890 or, in Spanish, School Closing: (402) 826-7888. If the message says that Crete Public Schools are closed or have a late start due to inclement weather, know that the same is true for St. James School. Our announcement will also be on KLKN-TV Channel 8 and KOLN.KGIN TV Channel 10/11.

**No School:** There will be **no school** on November 27- 29 due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

### **Coming Home Today in the Communication Envelope:**

Scrip Order form  
Tuition Envelope  
December Hot Lunch Menu  
Advent Calendar  
Crete Rec Youth Basketball Flier – Grades 3-6

### **Upcoming Dates:**

November 27-29	No School. Thanksgiving Holiday. Remember to thank God!
Sunday, December 1	Advent begins
Monday, December 2	School resumes
Friday December 6	All School Assembly – Surprise presentation 2:00 pm Parents welcome!
Monday, December 9	1:20 dismissal – Faculty meeting
Thursday, December 12	Our Lady of Guadalupe play – after 8:15 am Mass
Wednesday, December 18	Pre-K Christmas Program 10:30 am and 4:00 pm
Thursday, December 19	K-6 Christmas Program 6:30 pm
Friday, December 20	1:20 pm dismissal for Christmas vacation
Monday, January 6	School resumes. May God bless our second semester!

