

## News You Can Use from the Principal



December 11, 2017



What an interesting week we had! The weather had plans different from ours, and Mother Nature won. All that snow changed St. Joe into a sight unbelievable to see. This week it's back to business with the first exams administered Friday. This will be my last letter before the second semester begins. I hope your break is blessed with peace and love and that the joyful spirit of Christmas remains in your hearts for all of 2018.

- No Mass this week. We'll have Reconciliation tomorrow instead. Regular uniform is the attire for the day.
- We have a couple of giving opportunities before we get out of school:
  - Angel Tree is in the lobby of the administration building. Please pick an angel off the tree, purchase a gift, and return to the tree before the last exam day. Everyone should have something to open Christmas day.
  - Flash Food Drive – Thursday – for some needy families in the Canton area served by Fr. Kevin Slattery. Send two cans to school to provide a meal for those who may not have one otherwise.
- Carpool during exams is always a lengthy endeavor. Please be patient. All 415 students are being dismissed at the same time. Come at 12:30 if you don't want to sit in a long line.
- Exams begin Friday. Check the exam schedule [online](#). All students are required to sit for their exams on the scheduled exam day unless a doctor's excuse is provided. All fees / fines must be paid in order to take exams, and all tuition payments must be current. There are no exam exemptions except for seniors in single semester classes who have a semester average of an A and 3 or less of each of the following unexcused: tardies, dismissals, absences.
- Middle School Exams: since there is no A period exam for Middle School, the G period exam has been moved to Tuesday's A period slot so they will not have an exam Wednesday morning.
- During exams, if a student is exempt from an exam, they do not have to report to school during that exam period. For example, Joe Bob is exempt from C period Tuesday, but he has an exam A. He can report to his A period at the beginning of the 2<sup>nd</sup> study hall at 10:10. Go straight to class. Teachers will take attendance. Students may not leave in the middle of a class period. Study hall is considered the beginning of the class period. Failure to attend an entire exam period may result in failing the exam.

God bless,  
Mrs. Kinsey

### **BRUIN SHOUT OUTS**

- *Gifts of the Season* was a huge one-night-only success that performed to a packed house. We have so many talented Bruins on our campus. Lots of love and joy there! It's definitely an opportunity to be thankful and to welcome in the Christmas season.
- 5 swimmers were named to the All State Swim Team: Emma Adkins, Anna Chris Nicholas, Arilyn Thomas, JC Dorroh, and Kenny Thomas. We knew they were awesome. Now everyone knows! Congratulations to these incredible athletes.