



# PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

## Sacred Heart School - News Updates

### Sunday's Gospel Message

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**Gospel Reading—Matthew 2: 1-12**  
 The Magi seek out Jesus and due him homage.

*Young people at this age are attracted to heroes. The genre of superheroes allows young people an opportunity to reflect on the virtues and values of each superhero, whose true identity remains concealed. On the feast of the Epiphany, we celebrate the revealing of Jesus' true identity as the Messiah.*

**REMINDERS:** The "Candy Bar" Sale begins on January 3rd. There is No School for Pre-K for ALL only on Monday, January 8th. Mid-Terms for grades 3-8 may begin January 11th. Picture re-takes is January 12th. School closed for all grades on January 15th for Martin Luther King Jr. January 19th is a 12 o'clock dismissal for the main building only, Pre-K for All is a full day. January 26th is an 11 o'clock dismissal for the main building only, Pre-K for All is a full day.

#### Our Success Stories...

Sean Ahern, fifth grader and winner of the SHS Spelling Bee participated in the Staten Island Catholic Schools Spelling Bee on December 13th. We are so proud of Sean and his accomplishments.

We had another very successful Christmas Concert/Pageant on December 20th. Thank you Mr. Rosenberg and the teachers for a spiritual and joyful evening. In the afternoon that same day, our Pre-K for All children performed for their parents, relatives and friends singing and dancing with much holiday spirit. They had an exciting afternoon with a visit from Santa Claus. Thank you teachers for coordinating such a beautiful day and night at SHS.

Congratulations to Kristy Hoey and Rae Lynne Delamasa for placing in the CYO Christmas Card Contest.. The winners will be recognized at the CYO Community Awards Recognition Ceremony on May 2nd.

Congratulations to Taylor Miller and Divine Ebisike for placing as Runner-Ups in the New York Encounters contest. Taylor won for her illustration and Divine for her written essay. The theme of the exhibit: "Father Abrahm's Tent-All are Welcome"

#### Classroom Happenings...

Congratulations to PKA-1 and 5th grade for winning first and second place respectively in the Christmas Decorating Door contest. Your creativity and hard-work earned you this prestigious award.

In learning about the Arctic, the three year olds were able to identify the characteristics of snow and made their own to take home.

4th grade is learning about tall tales. They will be visiting the library to learn and read a variety of tall tales in order to create their own.

The first grade will be reading/ listening to the gospel story "Jesus Calmed the Sea". Afterwards, they will illustrate the story by painting using watercolors.

#### Upcoming Events....

Auditions for Theater Group begin t this week.

This month Pre-K for All will have "Mystery Readers" coming to the classroom to do a "read-aloud",

Catholic Schools Week kicks off with a special mass at St. Charles on January 28th.

Catholic School Week begins on Monday, January 29th. More details to follow.

Open House for Prospective parents will take place on Sunday, January 28th.