

WEEKLY NEWS

Crystal Jones | Principal | St. Paul Catholic Elementary School

Calendar

Monday **11**

Day 4 - Christmas Stories
with Buddies

Healthy Hunger - Pizza Hut

Tuesday **12**

Day 5 - Read and Green Day

Wednesday **13**

Day 6 - Door Decorating

Thursday **14**

Early dismissal @ 12PM

Kindergarten @ Zoo

Day 7 - Christmas Carols in
the gym

Friday **15**

Day 8 - Christmas Card

Creations

Healthy Hunger - BP's



Principal's Message

Christmas spirit is in full swing here at St. Paul. Our 12 Days of Christmas has brought much joy to the classroom and halls. We gathered this morning for our Advent Mass at the church. Thank you to all the families that joined us. With that, this Sunday, we welcome the second week of Advent, and we lite a purple candle that represents Faith!

Yesterday afternoon we delivered all the charitable donations to WINGS. We were greeted with with such hope and gratitude. Our school community with such generosity, will impact and support 49 families this holiday season.

Please check out our Instagram [**@stpaul_ecsd**](#) for all the details surrounding our Giving Trees Social Justice Project!

Our girls volleyball team participated in the St. Thomas More Elementary Invitational tournament on Thursday. The girls played so hard, and won first place in the tournament! Congratulations to them, a job well done! Thank you to Mr. M & Mrs. Silva-Ludtke for your time in coaching and supporting our volleyball teams here at St. Paul!

Christmas Concert details have been finalized, please see attached program for all the information and student line up! Lastly, attached to the memo is the order form for Front Row tickets for our upcoming Christmas Concert, get your orders in next week for a chance to win!

Have a wonderful weekend!
Mrs. Jones



Journey through Advent with Edmonton Catholic Schools

Advent is a season of waiting and a time to slow down and prepare our hearts to welcome Jesus. Over the next four weeks, we light the advent candles and journey together during this holy time. Follow along here for weekly liturgies and reflection during our Advent Season.



Advent wreaths: Where do they come from?

The Catholic Church has been using Advent wreaths since the Middle Ages. Lighting candles as we prepare for Christmas reminds us that Christ is the light of the world. And the evergreen boughs remind us of new and eternal life in Christ, the eternal son of the Father.

This morning at Mass we blessed the Advent wreath, thank you to Jack in Grade 6 and his Grandma Julie for lighting the candle of Hope.





Hello St. Paul Families,

The Pancake Breakfast Committee has been hard at work organizing this year's Christmas Pancake Breakfast. This tradition is a special one that helps put everyone into the Christmas spirit. It is a wonderful way to bring have all the students and staff break bread together one last time before the Christmas break.

This year's breakfast will be on Thursday, December 21st in the morning, with set up happening later in the afternoon of Wednesday, December 20th. We would welcome any family members wishing to help serve on the actual breakfast day, and/or help with set up to email terylyan@gmail.com. Everyone is welcome!



Merry Christmas!
The Pancake Breakfast Committee



We require volunteers for the Christmas Concert preparation and take down on Tuesday December 19th and Wednesday December 20th. We need volunteers from 8:30-9:00 AM on December 19th and 9:15-9:45 AM on December 20th. If you are able to volunteer, please sign up using the following form: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4CA-CAA29A1F4C34-46752425-christmas>

Thank you!
Ms. Zahary & St. Paul School



JOIN US FOR

ST. PAUL CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Christmas Concert 2023

TUESDAY

19
DEC

6:30 PM

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH
9830 148 ST NW



Program

WELCOME AND GREETING
MRS. JONES & MRS. CARR-JESCHKE

OPENING PRAYER
FR. DEAN DOWLE

GRADE 6
CHRISTMAS IS COMING

KINDERGARTEN
BABY JESUS WE LOVE YOU

GRADE 4
ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

GRADE 1
VIOLET IN THE SNOW

GRADE 3
GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

GRADE 5
SILENT NIGHT

GRADE 2
DECK THE HALLS

CLOSING
WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

THANK YOU TO MS. ZAHARY FOR ORGANIZING AND TO
MS. MINA PAK FOR PROVIDING ACCOMPANIMENT



St. Paul Elementary School
Presents:

*Best Seats/Parking
Order Form*

Please return this form to your child's
teacher by December 15, 2023

Family Name: _____

Contact Number: _____

Classroom Teacher: _____

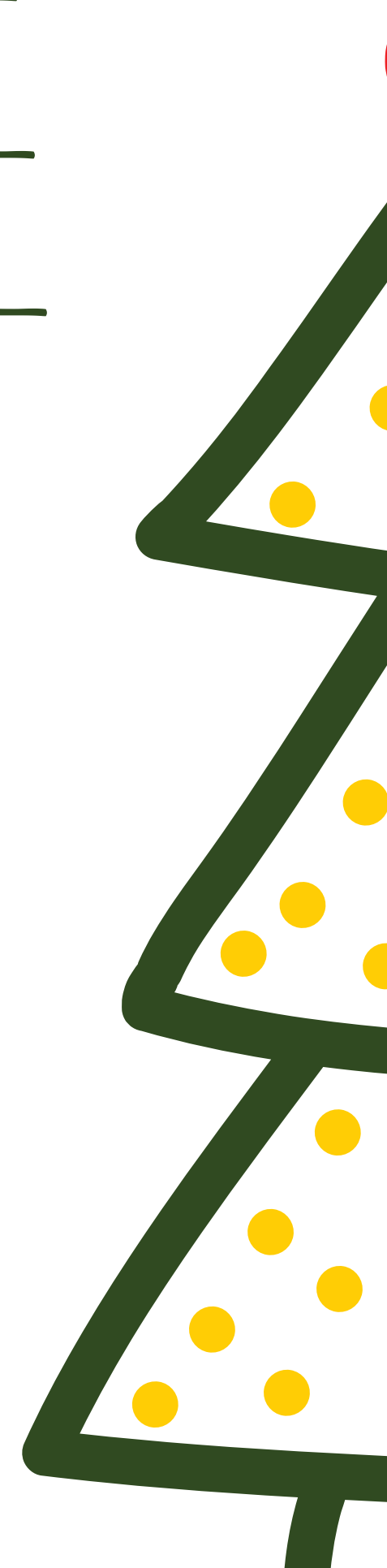
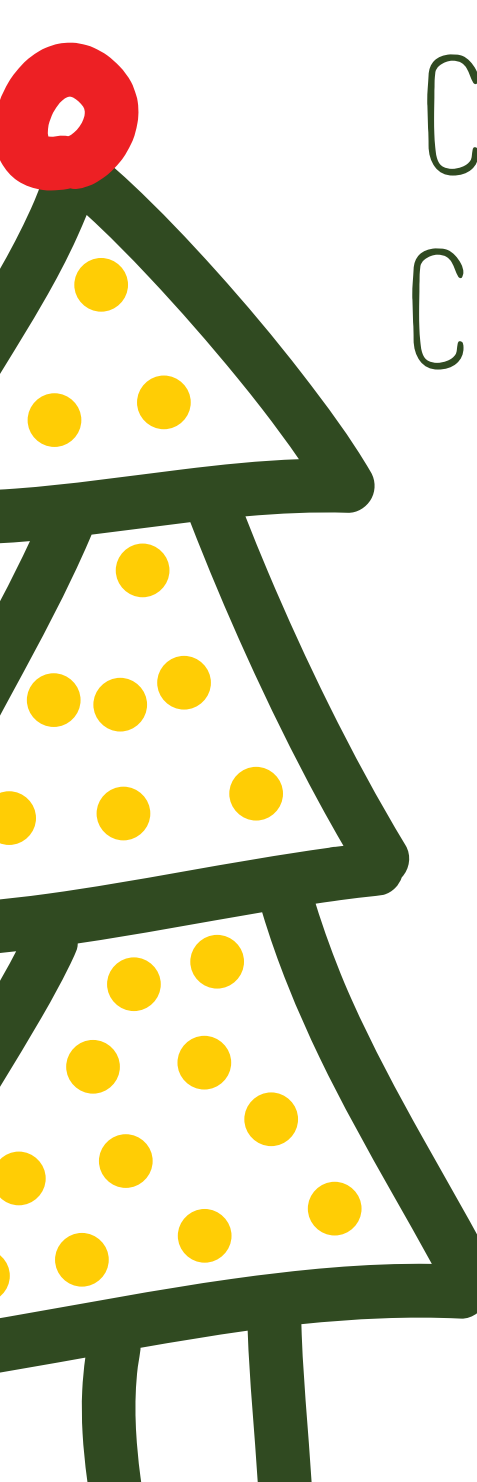
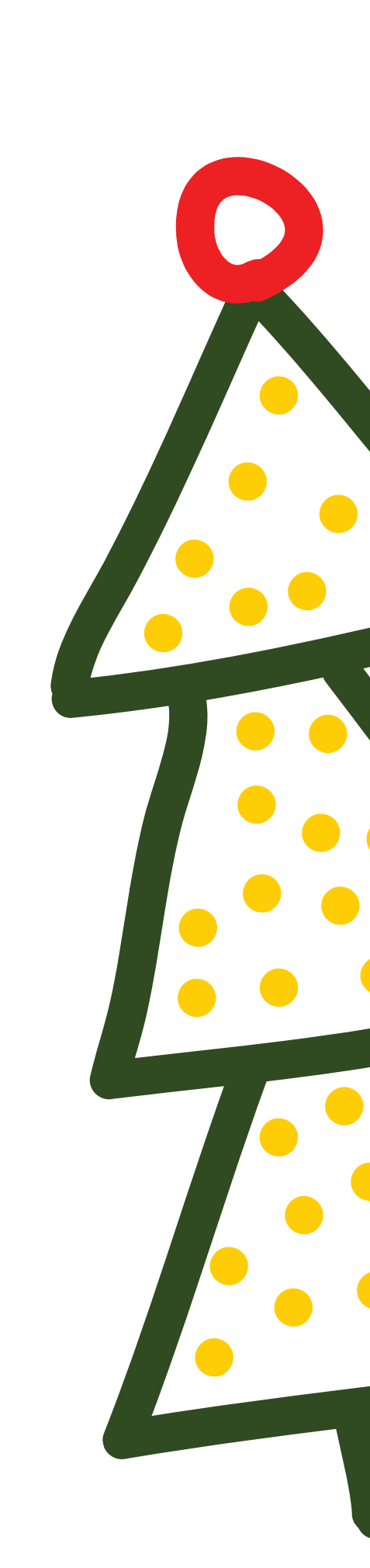
Tickets: 1 ticket x \$1.00 _____

3 tickets x \$5.00 _____

12 tickets x \$10.00 _____

25 tickets x \$20.00 _____

TOTAL: \$ _____



St. Paul Best Seats in the Church & Lot!

Dear St. Paul Families,

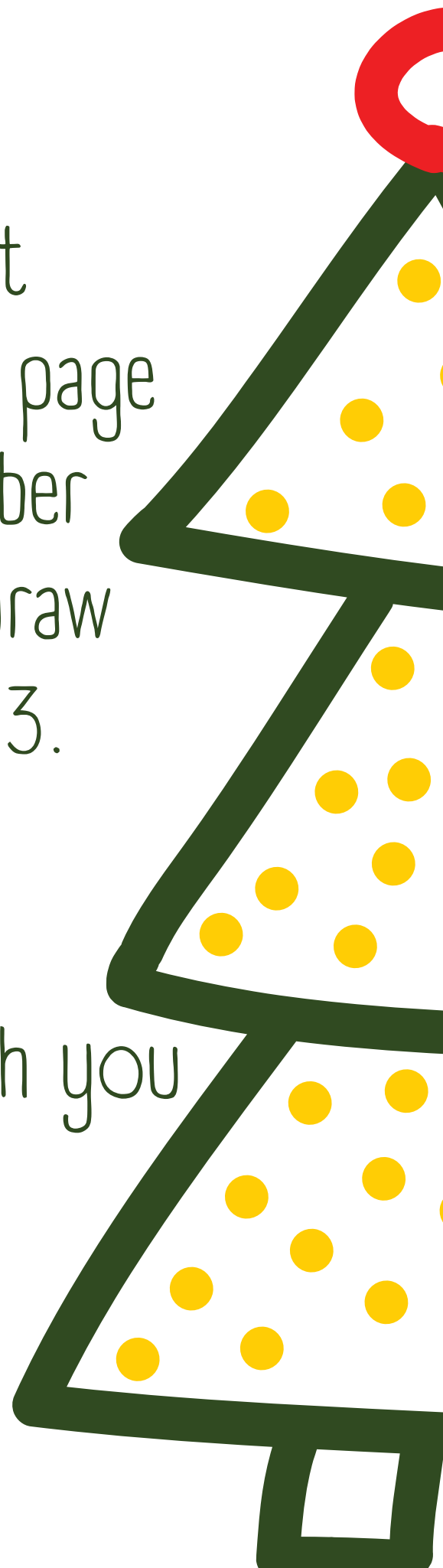
The St. Paul Elves have been busy preparing for a Christmas Concert on December 19, 2023 at 6:30 PM at St. John the Evangelist Church.

Students are to arrive no later than 6:00 PM and meet their class at in the Church Hall. Their teachers will meet them there and bring the class out when it is their time to perform. Students will return to the Hall and wait with their teachers until they are picked up by their families when the concert is over. With Candy Cane Lane in full swing, it is recommended that if possible, families walk to the Church.

St. Paul will once again be selling raffle tickets for the opportunity to win the "Best Seats in the Church" and "Best Parking in the Lot" for the Concert. Please send the second page of this letter back to the school no later than Friday December 15, 2023. Forms can be given to your child's teacher. The draw winners will be announced the morning of December 19, 2023. Cash only please.

Thank you! We look forward to celebrating the season with you on December 19th!

Kindly, Mrs. Jones & Mrs. Carr-Jeschke





WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK

ECSD ANNUAL PARENT SURVEY



Your feedback is very important! Paper surveys are coming home; please take a moment to complete.

Surveys can be mailed through Canada Post (no postage required) or handed in to the school.

Thank you!

It's the season

FOR PANCAKES & PAJAMAS!



Thursday, December 21st, 2023

St. Paul School Gymnasium

Pancakes provided courtesy of the School Council

