



# St. Vincent Ferrer

November 22, 2022

Dear SVF Families,

**Happy Thanksgiving!!!** On behalf of the St. Vincent Ferrer School and Parish Staff, I would like to express just how thankful we are for your children and your families. You are all a blessing to our school community, and we pray that you will have a happy and healthy Thanksgiving.

Thank you to all of you that contributed to the Student Council sponsored collection for Shelterhouse. Fostering a sense of a commitment to Social Justice is an important part of faith formation in our children, and we are so thankful that we are able to make a difference for the homeless with your generous donations.

When we come back to school on Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, we will be jumping right into the first week of Advent and all the excitement that come with preparing for the Birth of Christ. As your family prepares for Christmas, we invite you to worship at St. Vincent Ferrer. Please know that regardless of your faith traditions, you are always welcome at St. Vincent Ferrer Church.

## **SANTA'S WORKSHOP IS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup>!!!!!!**

On Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, the SVF PTO will be sponsoring Santa's Workshop for our students to shop for their loved ones. The PTO needs your support! We need many volunteers on the day of the event, but also leading up to it. **Please sign up today!** [Santa's Workshop Volunteers](#). *Shopping list and letters about Santa's Workshop will be coming home with the students on Monday.* Be sure to check their backpacks!

We are still in need of donations of holiday gift bags, wrapping paper and clear Scotch tape (or similar type) to wrap the gifts the students purchase. **Please send in your donation by Wednesday, November 30.**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact SVF PTO!

## **LUNCH PROGRAM-ST. ALBERT NUTRITION SERVICES:**

If you have questions about the school lunch program, you can direct your question to Cafeteria Coordinator, Stephanie Scanlon, by email at [Scanlon\\_s@svf-school.org](mailto:Scanlon_s@svf-school.org).

Lunches for next week (please note that a choice of fruits and veggies are offered with each lunch)

Monday: Chicken Nuggets, Pizza, or a PB&J Sandwich

Tuesday: French Toast and Sausage Link, Yogurt Power Pack, or PB&J

Wednesday: Mac and Cheese with a Soft Pretzel, Pizza, or PB&J

Thursday: Taco w/chips, Yogurt Power Pack, or a PB&J Sandwich

Friday: Stuffed Crust Pizza or a PB&J Sandwich

**SVF PTO Dine out night-City BBQ, Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>.** *See attached flyer for details.*

**EARLY CHILDHOOD INFORMATION NIGHT WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2022, 7:00 pm - LIBRARY**

Do you or someone you know have children of Preschool, PreK, or Kindergarten age next school year? Come to our Early Childhood Information night on Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> to learn more about the Early Childhood Program at SVF. *Call Mrs. Dunaway to RSVP.* If you do not have a little one that will be joining us for Preschool, PreK, or Kindergarten, please spread the word. Your endorsement of our school is our best advertisement!

**PLEASE HELP US KEEP OUR SCHOOL HEALTHY!**

As you know from experience and what you hear on the news, illnesses are on the rapid rise for children right now. This week, we are seeing cases of stomach bugs, strep throat, influenza A and B and other “viral yuck.” Having said that, if your child is reporting to you at home that they are not feeling well, we strongly encourage you to err on the side of caution and keep them home if you think they may not be feeling well. Please remember the following guidelines for return to school: students should be vomit and diarrhea free for 24 hours prior to returning school. Students should be fever-free for 24 hours without medication before they can return. We understand that it is difficult to rearrange schedules, and of course we want our students to have regular school attendance, but we also need to consider the overall health of our students and staff. Thank you for your attention to these matters.

**LOOKING AHEAD.... MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

**Christmas Concert Preparations are in Full Swing:** Your children should have brought home a paper yesterday detailing what to wear for the concert and other key points for Christmas Concert preparation. *We have also attached that document to this week's newsletter.*

**Please consider donating to the SVF Parish Turkey Ministry:** Even though the preparations for Thanksgiving Dinners are complete, Our Daily Bread is looking forward to providing Christmas Dinners to the hungry poor of the inner city. *Please see the attached flyer* for more information about how you can help this important ministry of the parish.

**Kenwood Pastoral Family 2022 Holy Days & Holidays Mass Schedule:** *See the attached flyer* for times, dates & service locations for the upcoming Holy Day and Holiday Season. You always have a home here at our parish, no matter where your “church home” is.

God Bless you All,

Mrs. Mikki Dunkley

Principal, St. Vincent Ferrer School

***“Let it Begin With Me.”***

*SVF School theme for 2022-2023 school year*