



Newest Updates posted on Monday, **December 7, 2009** by Paddy Jo.

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Letter from the Principal: [What makes our school Catholic?](#)

Christ the Teacher: Join us Wednesday morning at 8:15 outside of the Student Activity Center as Father Jim Henry will bless and dedicate our new icon of Christ the Teacher. Mr. Kim and our own Joe Salinas, father of Skye, painted this version of the famous picture of Jesus. With this image, we are reminded that the spirit of Jesus the master teacher guides all our teaching and learning at Madonna del Sasso.

Student Council: We have a wonderful Student Council!! Not only did they donate the refreshments for our Open Visitation Day, held on December 2, 2009, but they were great ambassadors for our school. The girls were the perfect example of a Madonna del Sasso student. The enthusiasm and cheerfulness that greeted everyone attending was praised by all. This year's Council moderator, Mrs. Susie Nunez and the group make a fantastic team!

Aquarium: The Aquarium will be "FREE" to all Monterey County residents from December 5-13, 2009.

Extension: Extension **will** be available on the minimum day, December 18th, before Christmas vacation.

Extension Wish List: Mrs. Gonzales is looking for 4 (½ wine barrels) to put in front of the Extension/Preschool room. For every ½ wine barrel donated, a service hour will be given.

Sports: All volleyball uniforms must be turned into the school office by Friday, December 11th. This includes grades 5-8.

January Hot Lunch Orders: Order forms for January 2010 hot lunches are going home today. Please check your child's folder. The orders and payments (check or Money Orders) are **due on Friday, December 11.**

Service Hour Opportunity: Need to complete your MDS volunteer hours?? Would you like to also help the less fortunate in your community as you complete these hours? As an advisory board member of the local Salvation Army I am presenting an opportunity to all MDS families to do just that. It is that time of year to hear/see the Salvation Army Red Kettles out in our community collecting donations to help those in need. There are a multitude of opportunities available, from bell ringing, to sorting food, to making food boxes. Please contact Karen Ostby at 443-9655 ext.2905 to sign up and have your volunteer hours tracked and reported to the MDS Volunteer Coordinator to be credited to your family. We are asking that the children wear their MDS uniforms when you and your family volunteer with the Salvation Army. Thank you-Jerry Kulper.

Dinner/Dance: Our theme for the 2009-2010 school year dinner/dance is "Evening in Tuscany"! Our special event will take place on March 6, 2010 at the Sports Complex. Mark your calendars now for our major fundraiser. This year's event will again host a dinner, silent and live auctions and dancing to the music of "BTA".

The decoration committee is asking that we all save wine corks. A box is in the office for all cork contributions.

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Any questions, please call 831- 424-7813

MADONNA DEL SASSO SCHOOL



Coast-tel Federal Credit Union: We will be at Madonna on the following dates the remainder of 2009: Dec. 10th and Dec. 17th.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is on Tuesday, December 8. We will attend the 8:15am Mass with the parish on this date. You are welcome to join us and sit with your child.

BADGES: Badges are not to be taken home or put in your car for personal use. If you have any MDS badges in your possession, please return them as soon as possible. The purpose of these badges is for on campus identification, unfortunately this may be an inconvenience for you to come into the office to get one and then return it. But it is with your child's safety in mind. We kindly ask that you follow this rule. This includes grandparents, other relatives and caregivers. Thank you for your cooperation.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

December 7-10 -- Candy Wishes on Candy Cane Lane, sold at lunchtime, see attachment.

December 8 – Mass with the community at 8:15 am

December 9 – Minimum Day, dismissal at 12:30 pm for grades 1-8, dismissal as usual for Preschool & K

December 9 – 8:15 am, Morning dedication of our new icon of Christ the Teacher

December 17 – Dress Rehearsal for Christmas Play at 11:00 am at Sherwood Hall

December 17 – Christmas Play at 6:30 pm at Sherwood Hall

December 18 – Minimum Day, dismissal at 12:30 pm for gr. 1-8, dismissal as usual for Pre. & K.