



St. Rose School

CHELSEA, MA

November 17, 2011

Dear Families,

We have so much to be thankful for. This is the time of year when we traditionally take the time to give thanks to God and tell others how much we appreciate them, but this opportunity is certainly not limited to one day each year. God is great, and showers blessings upon us. The best way we can give thanks to God is to say a prayer of gratitude and pass the blessings on. We bless others because God blesses us first. We can be generous to others because God has been so generous to us. As I drive to Maryland to spend Thanksgiving with my family next week, know that I am thanking God for each of you, for your children, and for all of the people who work to make St. Rose School such a great place to learn and grow. Please read on:

Thank You!: Many thanks to all of you who came to the class breakfasts this week! They were a huge success. It was wonderful to see so many parents getting to know one another and meeting your children's classmates. We hope to possibly do this again in the spring and make it a St. Rose tradition. Many thanks to our FTO for coming up with the idea and providing the coffee, and to our teachers for being such gracious hosts!



Cataldo Ambulance: We had a wonderful visit from a few EMTs and Cataldo ambulance for Grades 2-5 today! They told our students what to do if they need to call 911, what constitutes an emergency, and how important it is to stay calm. The students also got to go out and walk around inside the ambulance!

8th Grade Bake Sale: Our 8th grade class hosts a variety of fundraisers throughout the year to raise money to pay for their class retreat, class field trips, and graduation activities. Next week, they will host a bake sale on Tuesday, Nov. 22 during lunch. Cupcakes, brownies, cookies, and other treats will be sold for \$0.50 or \$1.00. Please send your child with quarters to support this event!



Fall Dance: Just a reminder that our Student Council is sponsoring a Fall Dance tomorrow night. If you have not already sent in your ticket and money, entrance at the door will be \$7.00. The dance for Grades K1-5 is from 5-7 pm, and the dance for Grades 6-8 is from 7-9 pm.



Winter Weather: A few reminders: unless it is pouring rain, we will not open the front doors until 7:30, so please do not come (or drop off your children) earlier than that. All children need to dress for the weather, with a coat, a hat, gloves, and a scarf. They go outside for recess, gym, and other occasions, and need to be prepared! If your child does not have these items, please let Ms. Keeton know and she will try to see if she can find them for him/her. If it snows and you think there is a possibility that we won't have school, tune in to Channel 4 (WBZ), Channel 7, Channel 5 (WCVB) or Fox 25 and look for St. Rose Elementary. I will call in as soon as I make a decision. All decisions are made based on the likelihood that teachers and students can get to school safely.

NO AFTER SCHOOL: Please note that there will be no After School Program on Friday, December 2 due to the Christmas Festival. Please make arrangements to have your child picked up at 2:15 that day. Thank you.



Thanksgiving: Please note on November's calendar that we will NOT have school next Wednesday, November 23. Originally we were going to have a half day, but we have decided to cancel school on that day to allow everyone time for travel and family preparations. Please plan accordingly.

Table of Remembrance: Our Table of Remembrance is up and running, and looks beautiful. Many thanks to everyone who has brought in photos, prayer cards, etc. If you have not yet done so but would like to add someone, it's not too late! Please put their name and your child's name on the back so that we know who to return them to at the end of the month! Thank you.



New Roman Missal Changes: This week, we share the final changes that will take place in the Mass responses with the New Translation of the Roman Missal: the Mystery of Faith, the Invitation to Communion, and the Dismissal.

Old Way:

Mystery of Faith:

Priest: **Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:**

People: A – Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

or B – **Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

or C – When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, **Lord Jesus,** until you come **in glory.**

or D – **Lord,** by your cross and resurrection, you have set us free. **You are the Savior of the World.**

Invitation to Communion:

Priest: **This is** the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. **Happy** are those who are called **to his supper.**

All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

Dismissal:

Priest: The Mass is ended, go in peace.

All: Thanks be to God.

New Way:

Mystery of Faith:

Priest: **The mystery of faith.**

People: A – **We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.**

or B – When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your death, **O Lord,** until you come **again.**

or C – **Save us, Savior of the world,** for by your Cross and Resurrection, you have set us free.

Invitation to Communion:

Priest: **Behold** the Lamb of God, **behold him** who takes away the sins of the world. **Blessed** are those called to the supper of the **Lamb.**

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Dismissal:

Priest: **Go forth, the Mass is ended.**

or

Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.

or

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

or

Go in peace.

All: Thanks be to God.



St. Rose on Facebook: St. Rose School is officially on **Facebook!** Check it out at: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/St-Rose-School/174719982596857>. Our plan is to use this page as a tool to keep you informed and share pictures and good news throughout the year. Thanks to those of you who have already found the page and started interacting with it!

Communication via Email: If you would like to receive the newsletter and other information via **email**, please go to www.strosechelsea.com/contact/emailsSignup.html and enter your information. We will gladly begin keeping you informed electronically! Please ask Ms. Keeton if you have any questions.



Mark Your Calendar!: The Annual St. Rose School **Christmas Festival** will be held on December 2-3, 2011. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we really need everyone's help! Thank you to everyone who has sent back their papers saying how you'd like to help! You will be contacted soon.

Lunches: Please see attached letter to order the **school lunch** for your child for the week of Nov. 28-Dec. 2. You need to send this form back in each week, even if you receive free lunch, or if you are choosing not to get lunch this week for our records. Thank you.



BrainPOP: Don't forget to use it at home! www.brainpop.com. Our username is: strosechelsea and our password is: 580broadway.

Box Tops: Don't forget to save your **Box Tops!** Please tear them off of products you buy and use at home. They help our school to raise money! Thank you!



Blessings,

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