

Little Flower Catholic Elementary School -- **Newsletter** for Wednesday, November 26, 2014

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I had the teachers ask the **Little Flower School** students what they were THANKFUL for. Here are their responses. From the Preschool: I am Thankful for... (Bevin) – my little baby sister; (Matthew) – cereal; (Trevor) – crackers, cheese, and meat; (Meagan) – my family; (Avery) – my mom and dad; (Gannon) – helping people and doing the play; (Carter) – my Grandmas; (Jacob) – trains; (Mrs. S.) – my family, friends, & 8 preschool turkeys.

From Kindergarten: I am Thankful for... (Luke) – helping my dad; (Alana) – my family; (Pierce) – my teacher; (Bria) – my dad because he had to clean the attic; (Tallie) – my teacher; (Beth) – my teacher and my dad; (Royanne) – my teacher; (Austin) – my teacher's fun games; (Samantha) – my teacher because she is the best teacher; (Jaslyn) – my cats; (Zach) – my family.

From First Grade: I am Thankful for... (Caleb) – toys, cars, animals; (Tambrey) – teachers, school, houses; (Amber) – family, puppy, house, blinking doggie; (Alli) – principals, sisters, aunts; (Alex) – tractors, games, planes; (Logan) – world, ocean, animals; (Colton) – toys, Mom and Dad, board games; (Aidan) – grandmas, grandpas, people.

From Second Grade: I am Thankful for... (Marli) – family, good health and grace; (Lacie) – churches, schools, family; (Allison) – food, family; (Jaclyn) – grandpa, family, teacher.

From Third Grade: I am Thankful for... (Tressa) – a religious education; (Riley) – friends; (Jack) – parents; (Treyton) – family.

From Fourth Grade: I am Thankful for... (Andrew) – siblings; (Bryceton) – family; (Mikaylee) – friends; (Mariann) – USA; (Mrs. M.) – my kids.

From Fifth Grade: I am Thankful for... (Kiara) – family, Jesus, food; (Amber) – animals, family, Jesus; (Zach) – animals, food and life; (Katelyn) – school, God, family.

From Sixth Grade: I am Thankful for... (Lauren) – family, friends, Jesus; (Meagan) – for the world, Jesus, and everything; (Isabella) – family, Holy Family, and friends; (Anna) – sports and the ability to learn; (Sarah) – the gift of life; (Brooke) – life, family, friends, classmates, teachers.

THANKSGIVING PRAYER... Most gracious Father, On this weekend of remembrance and praise, we thank You for the blessings that have been showered upon us, for health and strength... for eyes to see the beauties of the autumn coloring... for ears to hear the voices of family and friends, the harmonies of song... for voices with which we can speak words of love and cheer to all. Grant us Lord, that we may use these gifts as You would choose, sharing them in the building of Your Kingdom of love and friendship here on earth. Teach us that gratitude is active, showing itself in service to others and You.

On behalf of the Little Flower School staff I would like to wish all of you a very **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!** Be safe and warm. God Bless!!!

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+++++ **Additional Information for You to Know** +++++

+++ A **BIG Thank You** for contributing to and supporting the Little Flower School Silent Auction and Supper!!!

+++ **Books Are Fun** items are on display near the library. Orders will be delivered on Friday, Dec. 5th. Payment is due with your order by 8:30 am Friday.

+++ **Little Flower School Christmas Program** will be Sunday, Dec. 7th at 2:00 pm in Rugby HS auditorium. Students in grades K-6 will be participating. There will also be a special presentation by Mrs. Swanson's Preschool students.

+++ From the **Raffle** committee: Books of **tickets** will be sent home with your child in their backpack on Wednesday, Nov. 26 so that families can begin selling tickets over the Thanksgiving Holiday!

+++ Advent is a time of giving and preparing for Jesus. With Advent season, comes **Project Joy**, and that means it is time for us to think of others who have very little. We will begin to collect for "Project Joy," on Monday, December 1st. There will be a special jar in each classroom for the children to put their donations. The project will end on Wednesday, December 10th. The following Friday a.m., December 12th, the third and fourth grade students will purchase gifts from Shopko with the help of Mrs. Bethany Mack and some parents, to be given to children from the local area in hopes of making their Christmas a bit brighter. Thank you! Mrs. Mack.

+++ Assorted packs of 20 Religious **Christmas cards** are now on sale in the school office. Cost is \$5.00 per box of 20.

+++ Reminder: Monthly **tuition payments** are now due for the month of December. Milk and lunch payments may be made with one check, but please indicate how the money should be divided for lunch and milk.

+++ Parents: With the onset of **colder weather**, please make sure your child wears a warm coat, gloves, boots and hat before coming to school or boarding a rural route or activity bus. **DON'T FORGET YOUR SHOES!**