



**November 8, 2017**

**Santa Parade – mark your calendar**

You're invited! All ABVM families are welcome to share their Christmas spirit at the 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Rockford Santa Parade on Saturday, Dec 2.

ABVM families will be walking in the Rockford Santa Parade beginning at 11:00 AM on Saturday, Dec 2. We'll all be gathering in the parade line up (by 10:30 AM) to spread our Christmas cheer and take part in this cherished community event. More details to come in future Blasts, but please put this on your calendar today!

**Santa Shop 2017 is coming soon!**

*The Santa Shop 2017 will be open on Wednesday, November 29 (all day) and Thursday, November 30 (half day).*

This is an opportunity for the students to learn about Christmas giving. The students can select and purchase appropriate gifts for their parents and family. All gifts are new merchandise priced from \$1 to \$6. The younger students will have a personal shopper to help them select gifts. The gifts are then wrapped and sent home with the student.

The Santa Shop elves are in need of **gift bags** to help them wrap the presents.

Donations may be brought to the school office (via parent or student) and placed in the box labeled "Santa Shop Donations".

Look for more info in the coming weeks.

## **Woman's Volleyball**

If you are interested in playing volleyball with some awesome ladies at Assumption, then join us Tuesdays at 6:30 for some open gym volleyball. No need to commit to every week, join us when you can. This is an opportunity to share some fellowship with other women in our school. Please join us if you haven't yet. It's been a lot of fun playing and getting to know new people! If you have any questions please email Kate Thull at [1stgrade@abvmschool1.org](mailto:1stgrade@abvmschool1.org). Hope to see you there!

## **Report Cards – check backpacks**

1<sup>st</sup> quarter report cards will be going home in the Thursday folder.

## **Veterans Day Mass and Celebration November 10, 2017**

The staff and students are honored to invite all veterans and their families to attend the 9:00 AM school mass on Friday, November 10, 2017. Please join your student and their class to celebrate this mass in your honor. After mass please join us for light refreshments in the Church Activity Center. Please let your child's teacher or the office know if you can attend. Thank you and God bless you.

## **Home and School Welcomes You!**

All parents of Assumption Eagles are invited to our next Home and School Meeting on Friday, Nov. 17, 2017 from 10:00-11:00 A.M. The meeting will be in the Church Activity Center... We are currently seeking help with hospitality, parades, and other volunteer opportunities. If you are unable to attend the meeting, and would still be able to make even a small commitment or would like more information, please reach out to Dorothy Remington at [abvmhs@abvmschool1.org](mailto:abvmhs@abvmschool1.org).

## **Parent Teacher Conference Meals**

The Home and School Board could use your help showing our appreciation to our amazing teachers, principal, and staff during the upcoming conferences. Please follow the Sign Up Genius link if you'd like to help. Contact Tammy Franzak @ [tammyfran@att.net](mailto:tammyfran@att.net) if you have any questions. Thank you so much for your continue support and help!  
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f44a5a62ca3f58-fall>

## **VIRTUS Training – November 12 at ABVM**

All volunteers who have regular contact with children (i.e. classroom and lunch volunteers, coaches) need to take the *Virtus Training* or *Protecting God's Children* class. This is mandated by the Diocese of Grand Rapids to protect children and youth by creating a safe environment.

Topics include the dangers and warning signs of abuse, case histories, ways to prevent abuse, and how to report suspected abuse.

There will be a session hosted here **at Assumption on November 12 6:30 PM** in the Church Activity Center

How to register:

1. Goto [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) or [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org) follow the prompts.
2. Click on the word "Registration"
3. Select "Grand Rapids Diocese"
4. Choose a user name and password
5. Select "I would like to attend a Protecting God's Children Session"
6. Fill in the Registration form
7. Remember your User Name and Password

Or call Assumption 361-5126 x 257 for assistance with the registration.

If this date does not work, there are other dates that this training is offered throughout the Diocese.

## **Poinsettia Sale Hosted by the 8th Grade**

Order your poinsettias by Nov 17 for your home, family, friends, and business!  
Proceeds benefit the 8th grade class trip and projects.

Plants will be delivered directly from the greenhouse on Dec 7 to ABVM. These are extraordinarily beautiful 6" potted plants and come in 4 colors: Red, Pink, White, and Marble. Special arrangements can be made for large orders.

Cost: \$10 per plant

Complete the attached order form and **return with payment by Nov 17** to the ABVM office. Or, order through any 8th grade student. Make checks payable to ABVM School.

See below button for order form.

## POINSETTIA PLANTS ORDER FORM

Listed below are those students from Assumption BVM who have earned 1st Quarter Honor Roll at West Catholic:

9	Balcom	Natalie	Assumption BVM
10	Clements	Grace	Assumption BVM
12	Clements	Noah	Assumption BVM
9	Gagnon	Roch	Assumption BVM
12	Goodfellow	Blake	Assumption BVM
9	Grile	Christopher	Assumption BVM
9	Hanna	Kyra	Assumption BVM
11	Hoving	David	Assumption BVM
9	Kissell	Grant	Assumption BVM
11	Kramarz	Kaelyn	Assumption BVM
12	Luczyk	David	Assumption BVM
12	McCarthy	Erin	Assumption BVM
11	McCarthy	Mary	Assumption BVM
12	Novak	Mary	Assumption BVM
12	O'Brien	Katelyn	Assumption BVM
12	Ockaskis	Anna	Assumption BVM
12	Paganelli	Aubrey	Assumption BVM
10	Paganelli	Danielle	Assumption BVM
9	Paganelli	Joseph	Assumption BVM
10	Rabbers	Emilie	Assumption BVM

11	Scheidel	Josie	Assumption BVM
11	Smith	Katherine	Assumption BVM
12	Smith	Sean	Assumption BVM
11	Waldecker	Ian	Assumption BVM
12	Watkins	Matthew	Assumption BVM
9	Westman	Meghan	Assumption BVM

**Upcoming Events:**

- 11/10** Parents provide transportation home (No PM bussing)
- 11/16** Parent Teacher Conferences – full day of school
- 11/17** Parent Teacher Conferences – half day of school
- 11/16-17** Scholastic Book Fair
- 11/22-26** Thanksgiving Break – no school
- 11/29** Santa’s Secret Shop
- 12/8** Parent’s provide transportation home (No PM bussing)

**Mission Statement**

***Inspired by the Blessed Virgin Mary’s devotion to our Lord, Assumption Catholic School is dedicated to nurturing a joyful community of faith among students, parents, and faculty. Together our goal is to guide our students to eternal life with God as we teach, inspire, and promote the Good News of Jesus Christ within a rigorous academic environment. Our commitment is to living a virtuous life through worship, service, community, and academic excellence.***

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