

CYO GLORY

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Remembering that all we do is for the glory of God...



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WISHES ALL THE
FAMILIES OF ST.
LUKE PARISH A
BLESSED
CHRISTMAS AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR

History of Advent

Advent is the season in which we prepare for the celebration of Christmas. It is derived from the Latin word *Adventus*, meaning a coming. It begins on the Sunday nearest to the feast of Andrew the Apostle, on November 30, and lasts four weeks. The fourth week, however, is normally cut short by Christmas. It is almost impossible to determine the actual origin of Advent. The most common belief is that it was first celebrated in the fourth century. At that time, it was a preparation for Baptism. Then, in the Middle Ages, it became associated with waiting for the coming of Jesus. During the Middle Ages, it was celebrated from November 11 all the way to Christmas Day. Pope Gregory I made a few changes to the original celebration. For example, he designated liturgical materials for the celebration of Advent, adopted the colors of Advent that we use today (purple, purple, pink, purple), and shortened the time of celebration to four weeks. Very few changes have been made since Pope Gregory I's reformation. Have a happy Advent, and a merry Christmas!

By: Scott Stieritz

January CYO Events

- CYO Mass on January 6th
- One Act Play on January 11th and 13th
- St. Luke's Dance January 18th



Robotics Team

The Saint Luke's Super Lukers robotics team had a tremendous season. The team consisted of three different components, researchers, builders, and programmers. The team members were Joe McNiff, Vincent Penecale, Teresita Liebel, Kiera Mahoney, Jake Meizinger, Christine McIntyre, Ian Trauffer, Joe Pritz, Kate Hughes, Nicky Borowy, Pat Dolan, and Jacob Ross. They participated in two tournaments this year, one at Montgomery County University, and another at a preliminary tournament in Delaware. They finished in seventeenth place point-wise at the tournament in Delaware. Sadly, we had to finish in the top eight, but there still is a possibility we might have due to other tournament aspects. The highlight of the Delaware tournament was an award we received, which was second place in most innovative design for the robot. Hopefully, we will either qualify for the Delaware tournament, or be able to enter the Penn tournament, but we will keep on practicing until the end of the season and keep our hopes strong.

By Joe McNiff



Christmas Cookie Recipe Spritz Cookies

1 cup of margarine or butter, softened
½ cup sugar
2 ¼ cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon almond extract or vanilla
½ teaspoon salt
1 egg

Heat oven to 400 degrees. Mix margarine and sugar. Stir in remaining ingredients.

Place dough in cookie press: form desired shapes on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake until set but not brown. 6 to 9 minutes. Immediately remove from cookie sheet. About 5 dozen cookies.

Do not use self rising flour in this recipe
Betty Crocker's Cook Book
Submitted by: Gabe Dwyer

Two Thumbs Up for Enchanted

Have you been looking for a film with a princess, a prince, a dragon, and a cute chipmunk? Well, Enchanted is the film for you. It is a great fairytale in the beginning and everything is animated, until an evil soon to be mother-in-law pushes princess Giselle down a well and turns Giselle's world upside down. She finds herself in New York City with no place to go and she knows no one. She finds Robert, a man who lives in New York City, and his daughter and they give her shelter and become her friends. Her prince, Edward, comes to New York City to find Giselle. The whole movie is about the adventure of Giselle and Edward finding each other in the big city and finding true love. There are many great songs in the movie, including "That's How You Know," "True Love's Kiss," and "Happy Working Song." Out of five stars, I would give this movie 4 ½ stars. If you have a chance to see this movie over the holiday, you should definitely go see it.

By: Claire Salazar

Girls 5th and 6th grade "A" B-ball

The girl's 5th and 6th grade team had a game on December 8th, 2007. It was a close game but ended up losing by 6 points. They played against Holy Martyrs. The team consists of Maddie Bavis, Caitlin Kushnir, Lauren Mitros, Stephanie Kraynik, Casey McGrath, Haley Cranch, Mary Gene Mugnier, Molly Walters, Katie Dugan, and Maura Brownsey. They had baskets by Maddie Bavis, Katie Dugan, Stephanie Kraynik, and Casey McGrath. All the girls had a very good game and worked very hard!! Good luck on your next game girls!!!

By: Maura Brownsey

One Act Play

All of the plays are coming along great! Everyone is working extra hard now that the show is getting closer every day. You'll be sure to get a few chuckles out of all of the plays. Mrs. Dillinger is working hard to get everyone to do their best. We learn something new every day! A special thanks to Sarah Kraynik and Meghan Sykes for helping out Mrs. Dillinger with the plays. Keep up the good work everyone! People can't wait to see the shows!

By: Madeleine Brownsey



Varsity Boys Basketball

This year there are four 7th and 8th Boys Basketball teams. Our "A" team is coached by Mr. O' Malley. The three "B" teams are coached by Mr. O'Neill (Blue team), Mr. Mascione (Gray team), and Mr. Steiritz (White team). All four teams are very talented. All four teams are looking to bring home a championship. The season has started, so be sure to come out and cheer whenever you can. Everyone of these games can be exciting. Best of luck this year to our boys.

"On three, Lukes, 1-2-3".

"LUKES!!!"

By: Mark Wilson