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# NATIVITY

FAITH & REASON

## THE KNIGHT TIMES



**IT'S STARTING TO LOOK  
A LOT LIKE CHRISTMAS**



CHRISTMAS TIME AT NATIVITY / BOX TOPS / NATIVITY GALA / NATIVITY LIBRARY  
YEARBOOK COVER CONTEST / STAFF SPOTLIGHT / MATHCOUNTS / PARENT NIGHT

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[nool.online/pto](http://nool.online/pto)

## FACULTY AND STAFF

## NOTES FROM DR. PETERSON

*Dearest Parents,*

One of the goals we have at Nativity: Faith & Reason is to integrate our curriculum, beginning at the middle school level integration facilitate our students' ability to see the connections between the subjects that they are taught and what they learn, thus aiding their ability to reason holistically about the subjects we teach them. Presently we are doing this with our seventh grade science and religious studies curricula. This month the students are commencing their studies of the theology of the body in their religious studies classes, with Mrs. Zubrinic, preparing them, from a Catholic view point, for their introduction to the human reproductive system in January with Sr. Eleanora. The culmination of this unit will be three days of discussion, with the boys and girls separate, in where they can address each topic with each teacher and a guest speaker in the field of medicine.

We enter the second week of Advent this weekend. The root of the word Advent is *ad venire*, "to come". The Church reminds us that this season prepares us once again for the coming of Christ who has already come into the world. So, Advent is really a time for *memory*, of purposely reminding ourselves and each other of our relationship with Jesus.

I hope you are able to make time for memory with your children in these days of Advent. Whether taking the time to light the Advent wreath and say a short morning prayer before heading out the door (I know, challenging), or a discussion at dinner, asking them where they saw God's presence in their day, or asking God at night to help you see Him in the day to come. I am praying for you all during this season. Please pray for our community as well.

Live Jesus in our Hearts,

Holly



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# CHRISTMAS TIME AT NATIVITY

## NEW TO THE SANTA SHOP

*By Collette McBride*

My name is Collette McBride and I am a seventh grader at Nativity: Faith and Reason in Broomfield, CO. The short story is that I've sold Ugandan beads for five years and raised thousands of dollars for a handicapped orphan in Uganda. This year I am selling Ugandan Beads in the Santa Shop to help raise funds for a non-profit medical clinic in Kampala, Uganda.

If that's peaked your interest, please follow this link for the long story:

[bit.ly/2G3zXGm](http://bit.ly/2G3zXGm)



### SANTA SHOP

Would you be willing to volunteer in Nativity's Santa Shop any time between December 11-14? We still have a need for many volunteers. Tuesday is set up day, with coffee and breakfast provided. On the other days you can work the cash registers, help bag purchases or help the little ones with their shopping. Friday after school we will need help with last minute shoppers and clean up.

*If you would be interested in helping with the Santa Shop, please sign up using the Sign Up Genius link below:*

[bit.ly/2RuuxFy](http://bit.ly/2RuuxFy)

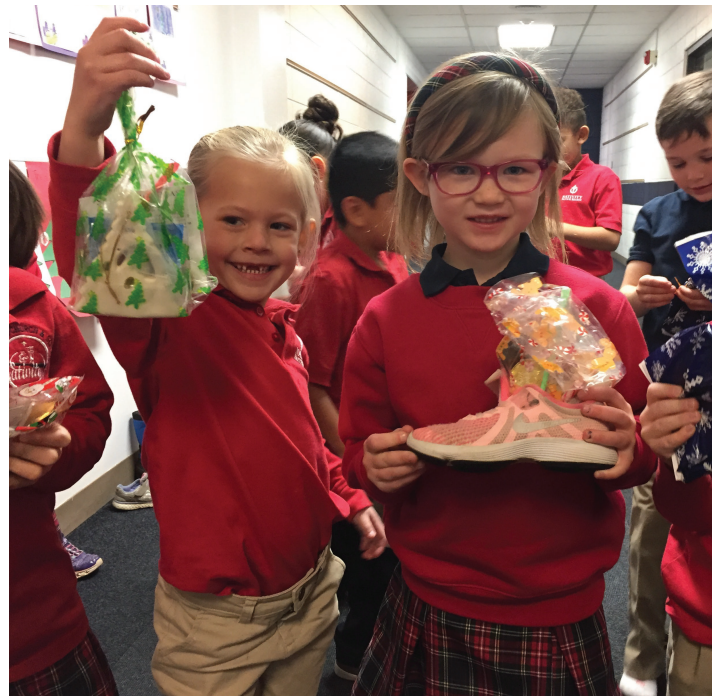
### TOY DRIVE

The mission of Father Woody's Haven of Hope is to provide food, shelter, counseling and rehabilitation to homeless and needy in the Denver area. Because the largest group of homeless in America today is women and their children, we at Nativity would like to assist the Haven of Hope in their mission to provide toys for homeless and needy children. Please consider bringing an unwrapped toy to Nativity - perhaps asking your child to help you pick a toy they would enjoy - to this drive. Donations will be accepted through this Thursday, December 13 in homerooms or the school's office.

### ST. NICHOLAS DAY

On December 6, our students celebrated the Feast of St. Nicholas. The Good Bishop of Myra, and patron saint of children, is legendary for secretly sharing his personal wealth with the needy and indigent of his diocese - always humbly and with discretion.

On Thursday our children put their "socks" out for St. Nick to fill with a little treat, helping to remember the generosity and humility of this great saint we hope to emulate in the holy season of Advent. A special thank you to the PTO and the volunteers who helped this happen.





## BOX TOPS

**O**ur next Food 4 Funds drawing will be on Thursday, December 13, so please send Box Tops and Tysons A+ with your child (with his/her initials on the back) by that date. A winner from each class will be announced on the drawing day and the winner from each class will collect a small prize. Milk caps from Longmont Dairy can also be sent, contributing to our School Fund. If you can volunteer and help clip and sort box tops, we will meet on Thursday, December 13 from 8:00-11:30am in Murphy. Please bring scissors with you.

Thank you for supporting Nativity through these fundraising programs.



## WINE CELLAR

### The Gala's Cellar Needs Stocking

The Nativity Gala Committee needs your help to stock the cellar. One of the auction items at this year's event is a community wine cellar, with bottles donated from the Nativity School and Parish Family.

The Committee asks that the bottles donated are worth at least \$20, and families who donate are asked to include a brief explanation as to why that particular wine is personally special. Perhaps it's the bright prosecco that you sipped on to celebrate your tenth wedding anniversary, or the Malbec that only makes an appearance on Christmas Eve. It might even be the sauvignon blanc that reminds you of that great girls' trip to Napa. Whatever the tale, the committee wants to know!

The descriptions will be compiled into a book that will accompany the bottles to their new home after the Gala. Donations will be accepted until January 15, 2019. Please contact Ilene DuBey with any questions.

## NATIVITY LIBRARY

### Students Loving The Good Reads

The Nativity library is up and running and our students have been visiting the stacks, enjoying hundreds of new reads.

Our library will hopefully see a major face-lift after Gala 2019! An updated reading, study and media center is the focal point of this year's direct appeal!

## YEARBOOK COVER CONTEST

### Entries Due Monday

Yearbook cover designs are due Monday! One winner will be selected from the eighth grade and their design will be on our front cover. Winners from K-2, 3-5, and 6-7 will be featured on the back cover of the yearbook. There are three themes students may choose from to submit to the competition:

- *Our Nativity Virtues*
- *The Four R's of Nativity: Respect, Responsible, Reliable, and Role Model*
- *Nativity: Faith & Reason*

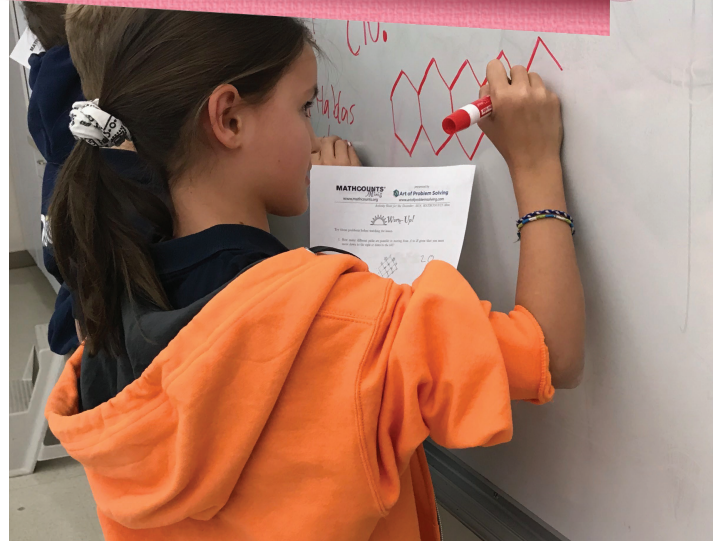
#### Rules for Submission:

- One original, made by the student, entry per person.
- "Nativity: Faith & Reason" and "2018-2019" must appear somewhere on your cover.
- Submit on white printer paper (8.5 x 11 in.)
- Put the student's name and homeroom in pencil on the back of the submissions.
- Submissions may be in crayon, markers, or computer generated.
- Entries should be in vertical orientation.
- Wrinkled or soiled submissions will not be considered.
- Late entries cannot be accepted.



## MATHCOUNTS

**O**ur MathCounts chapter is up and running! This fun club challenges our students in math, using head-to-head, bee-style competitions. With both local and national groups, our students will have the opportunity to hone their skills in and out of the club. The club meets on Wednesdays in the middle school science room and it is open to all middle school students. Our MathCounts team so far is Charlie Carr, Conner Lindsay, Harry Messenbaugh, Verinica Von Tersch, Katie Philipsen, and Charli Culp.



## STAFF SPOTLIGHT

### BETHANY DOSS

This week's spotlight is on our counselor, Bethany Doss. A Colorado native, Bethany attended St. Thomas More Elementary and Mullen High School before attending Colorado State University, and finally receiving a masters in K-12 School Counseling from the University of Northern Colorado.

In addition to Nativity, Bethany spends two days a week at two other Archdiocesan schools, and is pursuing a degree from the Biblical School in Denver.

Bethany says enjoys helping students discover their strengths and to grow in ways that help them become better disciples of Christ. She is also a bit of an old soul! She loves all outdoor activities, but knitting and reading are at the top of her pleasures. And for her bucket list? South Africa.

*"I've always been fascinated by the beauty of that country, which has both incredible mountains and beaches".*

We are grateful for Bethany's presence on campus this year, and for the various ways she helps our students academically, socially, and emotionally.



## PARENT NIGHT

### Parent Night Date Change

The Parent Night, *Technology and Student Use*, has been moved to January 10, from 6:30-8:00pm in Weibel II. The evening will deal both social media and gaming, and will discuss the pros, cons and challenges involved with student use of technology. Our speakers will be Dr. Jim Langley and Bethany Doss, from St. Raphael Counseling.

## SCRIP PROGRAM

### Shop With Nativity

Find gifts for everyone on your list while raising funds for our school with Scrip! Gift cards from over 750 top brands including Best Buy, Amazon, Nordstrom, The Home Depot, and more are available. Whether you buy the gift cards to give as presents to family and friends or them to buy your gifts, our school earns with every gift card purchased. It's simple, it's thoughtful, and it's truly the gift that keeps on giving.

Order forms were sent home with your student last week. If you want to place an order for your Christmas shopping, please return the form to the office along with a check made out to Nativity PTO no later than December 13. You'll receive your gift cards by December 21. If you have questions, a Scrip Coordinator will be available before school starts in the café area each morning the week of December 3. Thank you for your support of Nativity: Faith & Reason!



## SPELLING BEE

### R-E-M-I-N-D-E-R

Our Spelling Bee Team meets every Thursday from 3:20-4:00pm after school. We meet in Mrs. Jen Wagner's room.

## LOST AND FOUND



### Come Find What is Lost

Once again, the lost and found is overflowing! There is a table filled with your goodies on the first floor, near the restrooms. All items not claimed by Christmas break will be donated to local charities.

## MASS TIES

### Lost Your Tie?

We have Mass ties in the office for sale. Please contact Nabila Srouji in the office if you would like to purchase one. The price is \$11.

## NUGGETS NIGHT

### Catholic Families Night

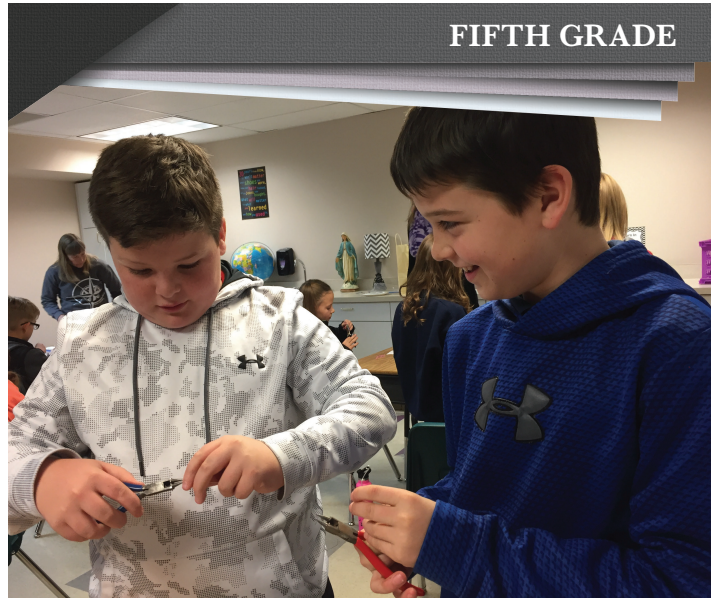
Mark your calendars for Catholic Families Night with the Denver Nuggets on February 24 at 3:00pm. You'll have the chance to cheer on the Nugs as they take on the Los Angeles Clippers, while also supporting the St. Sebastian Project ([saintsebastianddenver.org](http://saintsebastianddenver.org)). Alternate dates include: January 13 at 6:00pm vs. Portland and February 28 at 7:00pm vs. Utah. Tickets start at \$18 and can be purchased through Kroenke Sports by going to:

*Nuggets.KSETickets.com/1819cfn*

Catholic youth will be selected for the "High-Five" Tunnel, flag presentation, and more. On January 13 court time will be available on a "first come, first served" basis. To order court time tickets or find more information visit:

*Nuggets.KSETickets.com/courttime*

## FIFTH GRADE



### Rosary Making

Our fifth graders learned how to make rosaries this week, with the help of a parent and a parish alum volunteer. As they become proficient in the skill, they will make rosaries to be donated throughout the community.





## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 2019-20 Academic Year Registration

In the next days we will be setting the tuition for the 2019-20 academic year, as well as putting the finishing touches on our registration forms. The goal is to have all material for re-registration to you, our parents, before you leave for Christmas break. Please stay tuned!

### Time Out For Friendship

TOFF is a Nativity Parish ministry, open to women who have had infants, who would like to gather for fellowship, friendship, and fun. They meet every first and third Tuesday of each month from 9:30-11:30am in Weibel I & II. With questions please contact Ashley Suppes at 816-288-2068 or Anne Gray at 303-910-4521.

## VIRTUE OF THE MONTH

### FIDELITY

The virtue the school is focusing on for the month of December is fidelity. Fidelity comes from the Latin root "*fidere*" which means trustworthy or true; someone who is is loyal. Those who live the virtue of fidelity are faithful: faithful to God, to friendships, to commitments, and even to things that require toil or suffering.

The saint of the month who lived the virtue of fidelity was St. Francis Xavier, whose feast we celebrated last week. Francis Xavier (1506-1552) is considered the co-founder of the Society of Jesus (aka: Jesuits), and like many of our saints, he grew up in a prosperous family. After many significant encounters he chose a life of prayer, sacrifice and mission as a Jesuit priest. Through a series of events he was asked by his dearest friend and superior, St. Ignatius of Loyola, to take the faith to the world of Asia, to which he said yes, despite the sacrifice of leaving his friends and this burgeoning order. Albeit the many beautiful moments of his life, one most moving was his departure from Europe - knowing that he would never see his Jesuit companions again. Each Jesuit gave him a letter of farewell, and Francis taking the letters, tore the signature from each, sewed them together and fastened them to the inside of his tunic, close to his heart. He wore those names for the remainder of his life.

This is an example of the fidelity, of loyalty, that we set before our students this month; an example of faithfulness to friendships, to commitment, and to God.

### NOTICE OF STUDENT NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

Nativity: Faith & Reason, under the jurisdiction of Archbishop Samuel J. Aquila, S.T.L. and at the direction of the Superintendent, state that all of their Catholic schools admit students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school.

## RED / BLUE DAYS

Monday, December 10:	Red Day
Tuesday, December 11:	Blue Day
Wednesday, December 12:	Red Day
Thursday, December 13:	Blue Day
Friday, December 14:	Red Day

## UPCOMING EVENTS



The official calendar can be found at [school.nool.us](http://school.nool.us).

### DECEMBER

- 10** Fourth Grade at Nature and Science Museum • 8:30am  
Sonshine Disciples • 8:00am  
Chess Club • 3:15pm  
Drama Club • 3:30pm
- 11** SAC Meeting • 6:30pm
- 12** Principal's Meeting • 1:00pm  
GeoBee • 3:30pm  
Math Counts • 3:30pm
- 12-14** Santa Shop • All Day
- 14** School Mass • 8:15am
- 17** Sonshine Disciples • 8:00am  
Drama Club • 3:30pm  
All School Christmas Program • 7:00pm
- 18** Extended Care Nativity Play • 5:15pm
- 19** Math Counts • 3:30pm  
CGS Nativity Play • 7:00pm
- 21** Close of the Quarter • Noon Dismissal  
School Mass • 8:15am  
Christmas Parties • 11:00am

Furthermore, Archdiocesan schools admit disabled students in accord with the policy on Admissions in the Archdiocese of Denver Catholic Schools Administrator's Manual. These schools do not discriminate on the basis of race, age, disability, color, and national or ethnic origin in the administration of their educational policies, employment practices, scholarship and loan programs, athletic or other school-administered programs.

## 6 DEGREES TO KEVIN BACON

### Who do you know?

You've heard the saying "It's all about who you know." Help us put "who you know" to work for the benefit of our parish school!

The Nativity School Fund Gala Committee is looking for exciting new auction items and you can help! Do you know someone who has a mountain house? Do you have a friend who has season athletic tickets? Know someone "famous"?

As it is said we are all "6 degrees to Kevin Bacon" within our social network and our families. So many times at the Gala or shortly after someone will tell me they have a vacation home or a friend who is a fabulous chef or season tickets to sporting events and didn't even think that would be a great auction item. SO I kindly ask if you all could start thinking of items you or someone you know may be willing to donate to the 2019 Gala! That would be greatly appreciated.

**Some ideas for the 2019 Gala Live and Silent Auction wish list include... dining, entertainment, sporting events, sports items, golfing, getaways, vacation homes, airfare, and experiences such as:**

- Chef table at high-end restaurant
- In-home chef dinner
- Broncos, Nuggets, Avs, Rockies
- Locker Room tours
- Red Rocks VIP tours/concert tickets
- Brewery Tours
- Anything you can think of...  
the sky's the limit!

**Personal talents include: gift wrapping, quilting, photography, computer help, cooking classes, wood working, pottery, scrap booking, etc.**

**If you have any of the above or other ideas, please contact Ilene Dubey:**

303-641-3667 | [i.dubey@nool.us](mailto:i.dubey@nool.us)

### Donation Form

Donated items can be mailed to the school at the address below, dropped off at Nativity, or picked up by our committee. Mark all items to the attention of Ilene DuBey. If you have questions, contact her at [i.dubey@nool.us](mailto:i.dubey@nool.us).

Item name \_\_\_\_\_

Item description \_\_\_\_\_

Fair market value (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Business name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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