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For My Yoke is Easy...

“Jesus said to the crowds: ‘Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.’”

Deacon Denny talked to us this week about this Gospel passage. First, he helped us understand what a “yoke” is. He reminded us of Crookston’s

Ox Cart Days, and the big, heavy wooden things that are put around the oxen shoulders, to help pull the carts.

Then, Deacon Denny explained to us about Jesus’ easy yoke by telling us a story. The story was about a very active and athletic young man who lost a leg to cancer. He was very angry about the loss of his leg, and felt it was really unfair. As he recovered from his surgery, he began to help

other patients that were going through a similar experience. Through prayer and therapy, he began to see that he could give his anger and frustration, like a heavy burden, to God, for Him to carry. In return, He gave the man a light burden—caring for and helping others who were going through the same sense of loss and frustration that he was going through. The man could exchange his heavy burden for Jesus’ light burden. For His yoke is easy, and His burden is light. *Vivat Jesus!*

In Other News...

Mass Schedule

December 17—planned by 4th Grade

January 7—planned by the teachers

We would like to invite you to celebrate the Mass with your child and his or her class on Wednesdays at 8:45 a.m. Grandparents, other relatives, and friends are also welcome. Hope to see you

there!

Library Schedule

December 16—Grades 3 & 4

January 6—Grades 5 & 6

Two Hours Late

School will be two hours late on Monday, December 15. The staff will be having a work-

shop. So, school will begin at 10:20 a.m. See you then!

The White Stuff

Since we now have snow on the ground, and it looks like it will be sticking around for a while, we would like to remind you that in addition to the winter coat, hat, and gloves/ mittens that are required for all students, *we are also requiring*

boots for all students. Snow pants are also required for students in grades K—4. For those students in grades 5 and 6, snow pants are not required, but are strongly encouraged. Snow doesn’t seem to much care what grade you’re in—it gets you cold and wet, just the same!

If you have any questions, or if you have trouble getting any of

these items, please contact the school office so that we can help you. Thank you!

Schedule Changes

We would like to remind you that if you need to make any changes in your child's after school routine, to please contact the school office. In this way, we can best help you do what you need to do, and make sure that everyone knows what's happening. If you have any other questions, please let us know. Thank you!

Medication

As we begin to move into cold and flu season, we would like to remind you of our school's policy regarding medication. Due to the many complexities involving medicines, and the legal issues surrounding its distribution, we require a doctor's order to give out any medication at school. As a general rule, the school will give a single dose of medicine at

noon if that medication is to be taken four times a day. If the medication is prescribed to be taken three times a day, it is expected to be given before school, after school, and at bed time. If you have any additional questions about this, please contact the school office, or our school nurse, Sue Schraeder. Thank you!

Advent Program

Thank you for coming to our Advent Program last night. It was great to see so many people there, and to have such a great audience! Thank you, too, to everyone who brought tasty treats, and helped to clean up afterwards. Have a blessed Advent season, preparing for the arrival of the Christ Child, our Lord and Savior!

Fundraising Opportunities

Each week, we will highlight a different on-going fundraiser. This week, we will take a closer look at Box Tops.



At the top of many boxed food products (and some non-food items, too), you can find a "Box Top" label. If you just cut out this small label and send it in to the school, we can earn a surprising amount of money! In addition to food products, Box Top labels appear on a wide variety of other products, too, such as: baby and child care, paper plates, disposable tableware, storage bags, and many oth-

ers!

In addition to these products, there are other ways to earn Box Top credit for Cathedral School. You can also shop online at a wide variety of stores, including JC Penney and Land's End.

The brands are too numerous to list here. But, you can get more information online at <http://www.boxtops4education.com>. Or, you can visit the school office.

Thank you for support, and God bless!

Here are some other fundraisers that help Cathedral School:

- Campbell's Soup Labels
- Box Tops for Education
- Ink Doctor
- Our Family Labels
- Target Card
- Happy Joe's
- Giving Tree
- Pop Tops

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School Advisory Council Update

In past issues, we've mentioned the School Advisory Council's new sub-committee structure. One of these sub-committees is the Recruitment and Marketing Committee. This group helps to promote the school, develop our marketing plan, and design a variety of marketing strategies. Members of this sub-committee are Colleen MacRae and Paul Bissonette. If you have any ideas for marketing or recruitment, please let them know. Thank you!

The Cathedral School Advisory Council's next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 14th at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend!