

## *Church School News*

### *November 2011*

We are very excited about the upcoming Advent Season in the church school. We have many activities planned to make this a memorable time for the children and youth of our parish.

#### **Advent Activity Day**

This year we are partnering with Good Shepherd Barrhaven and St. James Manotick for our Advent Activity Day on **Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>**. On-line registration for our *ADVENTure Activity Day* has already begun. All children and youth, from JK to High School are encouraged to attend. Pre-schoolers are welcome to attend with a parent or adult. This ADVENTurous half day program will conclude with a Jesse Tree family activity and a family pot-luck.

On-line registration: ongoing

Please see Donna or Susan if you have any questions

**Registration deadline: November 20<sup>th</sup>.**

#### **Silver Spring Farm Micro-Mission**

I would like to highlight our continuing partnership with Mission and Outreach and our relationship with Silver Spring Farm. Church School will once again have an “Adopt-a-Resident” Angel Tree where families can choose an angel with a resident’s name, age and gift suggestion. We ask that the children be as involved in the process as possible. The unwrapped gifts are due back at the church on December 15<sup>th</sup> when they will be wrapped during church school. Church School will also be helping in the M&O collection for the farm. We are collecting: socks, adult mitts and gloves, shampoo, body-wash, toothpaste, toothbrushes, brushes and combs.

## **St. Nicholas Collection**

This year on December 5<sup>th</sup> we are asking all the children to bring gifts to Church to give to *Saint Nicholas*, so that he may in turn share them with others in our community who are less fortunate. You can use your imagination when gathering items or the following have been suggested: ***Ideas for children:*** puzzles, books, games, dolls, cars and trucks and arts and craft supplies.

***Ideas for adults:*** hats, scarves, mitts, socks, skin care samples, novelty items, chocolate.

Gifts should be unwrapped, though gift bags are encouraged. Please include any batteries if required.

## **Upcoming Events:**

CCBC Café	November 12 <sup>th</sup>
CCBC Clean up Day	November 12 <sup>th</sup>
Advent Activity Day	November 26 <sup>th</sup>
Advent Begins	November 27 <sup>th</sup>
St. Nicholas Visit	December 4 <sup>th</sup>
Advent Pageant	December 18 <sup>th</sup>

**Just a reminder:** If you haven't registered your child/children for church school or nursery, please use our on-line form in the children's section of the website or see Susan or Donna for a registration form.

Please feel free to speak to me if you have any questions about any of our programs. I am available most mornings at the church and before church and at coffee hour on Sundays.

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