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“Faith in God and Service to Others”

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Advent

Advent is a special time of waiting. Christians have set aside the four weeks before Christmas to remember and to celebrate that Jesus Christ is the one who comes. Traditional symbols and customs help us to celebrate this special time of waiting.

Symbolism:

The light reminds us that Jesus is the light of the world:

The circular shape reminds us that God is eternal, he has no beginning and no end. God is forever.

The evergreens remind us that God never changes that God gives life and growth to the Church and our Families.

The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent

Blessing of the Advent Wreath

*Bless O Lord this Wreath and these candles
Which we light in preparation for your coming
and so fill our hearts with the fire of your love
that we may receive you with joy and manifest you to all people*

*May this wreath be a reminder of the crown of thorns at your passion
And also your everlasting crown of glory as King of heaven and earth
Dwelling with Father and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever.*

Amen.

Parish

St. Anthony of Padua
540 North Park Dr.
Bramalea,
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905.793 8030

Pastor

Father John Mullins
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Attachments:

Achievement

*Permission letter for
the Star on the Tree*

Activities....

Star On the Tree

Once again this year we will be having our Star on the tree program. This program is organized and run by the Social Justice committee. Students are asked to take a tag from the tree and buy a present for the age of the child that is on the tag. Our ages go from 0 to 18. This year we are doing age ranges(for example 0-2, 3-4 5-7) Peel region who uses our gifts for needy families has indicated that the need is great this year. If you are able to donate a gift, please sign the attached form and have your child return it to the school.

Thank you for participating in this very worthwhile project.

The Junior Volleyball team represented St. Marguerite Bourge-
oys did very well at the family tournament on November 23rd at
St. Joachim. Thank you to Miss Stewart and Mrs. Fulford for
coaching. The girls came in second place.

Congratulations goes out to the following students::

Girls

Allison B. Dale M. Desaray F Kezah F Jennifer G.
Kechinyere O. Sabrina S
Kiara S. Alexandria W.

Boys

Mitchell B. Luca D. Joseph D
Spencer G. Rohan G. Eric M.
Brandon P. Joshua S. Piotr S.



Virtues

December—Hope

This month we celebrate the virtue
of HOPE

We believe that God comes to us
as a real human who can show us
the way of life.

We understand that both the world
and its people are from God ad so
are essentially good. Furthermore,
God has given us this Advent sea-
son year after year in order to fo-
cus our minds and our hearts on
the good all around us.

Year after year we are reminded
that God chose to send his Son to

us because we are worth it. God knows
how great we can be when we all come
together.

When we look at the world through the
eyes of God, we see it becoming more
and more like the reign of God that Je-
sus describes.

People of Hope....

- Keep up a positive attitude
- Can bounce back from tough situa-
tions
- Set and stick to their goals

- Work to include others
- Let others know that they are good
people

Our Daily prayer for December...

Let us now pray for the grace and cour-
age to be people of hope-people who can
see, participate in and contribute to
God's goodness emerging around us.

Reminders.....

School Start Time....

Our school start time is 8:30. That
means that students should be in the
yard by 8:20. Duty begins at 8:15.
This allows students to walk into
class with their classmates and begin
the day in a relaxed way. It has been
brought to my attention that some
students are coming before 8:15.
Please understand that we are not
supervising students until 8:15.

Lunch Hour.....

Our Lunch hour begins at 11:30. Students
go out into the yard until 12:10 pm. At
that time they come inside to eat their
lunch. If you are bringing lunch for your
child ,please have it here for 12:10 and
place it on the lunch table with his/or her
name. The lunch table is located at the
door of the office. We do make sure that
all lunches are picked up.

Parking

Thank you for following the process
we have set out for students coming
to school and leaving school. The
safety of our students has greatly
increased. Please also be aware that
Brampton Parking authority has been
around. They do random checks
without our knowledge. The fine is
\$300.00 for parking in the driveway
as it is a fire route.

Food Drive At SMB

Thank you to everyone who brought in a canned food item for our Halloween dance! What a great success and a superb kick-off to our **SMB Community Food Drive!** Let's keep it up for the entire month of November!

You may have already noticed the wonderful posters around the school that were created by Miss Stewart's class. Great job guys!

This month SMB will continue to collect non-perishable food items as well some essential items for the home.

Each week we will focus on specific items, but please feel free to donate what you can when you can.

For the first week we will collect canned goods such as canned fruits and vegetables.

The second week's focus will be on bags and boxes such as a bag of pasta noodles or a box of macaroni and cheese.

The third week will focus on baby items— Did you know that a bag of powdered milk can go a very long way in the home of a needy family?

The final week's focus is on toiletries such as toothpaste and toilet paper.

Please remember to donate **WHAT** you can **WHEN** you can!

All items can be placed in the appropriate boxes in the main hallway of our school.

THANK YOU for helping our community and may God bless you and your loved ones.



December Activities

at

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys

December 8, 2011

Mass at St. Anthony's Church

Reception to follow in the Church hall

December 15, 2011

Grades 4-8

A Christmas Carol- Rose Theatre

Grades KDG -3

Casa Loma

December 20, 2011

Christmas Concert -all grades will be performing

1:00 PM

December 23, 2011

Night before Christmas—PJ Day

Juice and cookies will be on sale

***Book Family Time to read
with your children every
day.***

E-Newsletters

If you would like to receive the school newsletter in your inbox please supply us with a name and an e-mail address. All addresses will be used for newsletter only. We will not start this practice until we have a number of addresses but will let you know when we will be ready. This project is one of several projects in preparation for SMB becoming an ECO friendly school.

Dates to remember...

December 6, 2011—Meningitis Clinic/PPV –Gr. 7 & 8

Last day of School before the Christmas Break

December 23, 2011

First day back after the break

January 9, 2012

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Dates to Remember

**Junior and Senior Kindergarten Registration for
2012-13**

Registration for Junior and Senior Kindergarten for the 2012-13 school year, will take place at St. Marguerite Bourgeoys on the following days:

Monday, February 6, 2012*

7:00-9:00 p.m.

*Snow Date: Tuesday, February 7, 2012 - 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, February 8, 9 & 10, 2012

9:00-11:00 a.m.

1:00-3:00 p.m.

For more information, call St. Marguerite Bourgeoys or visit

www.dpcdsb.org.

Please save the date of

Thursday, January 19th, 2012

at 7pm for

"Educating Parents on the New
Drugs of Today"

with guest speaker

Paul Christie.

This evening will be sponsored
by a

PRO-Grant from the Ontario
Ministry of Education. Don't
Miss it!