



# St. Stanislaus Kostka School

"Do not walk through time without leaving worthy evidence of your passage." Saint John XXIII

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"We can do hard things."

November 16, 2023

Dear St. Stanislaus Kostka Families,

Next week we will be celebrating Thanksgiving with our families. We will have two full days and an 11:50 AM dismissal on Wednesday, November 22, with **NO AFTERCARE**. Please continue to make sure that your child has a jacket each day, and is following the uniform guidelines in the handbook. Below is look ahead at important dates until Christmas.

- Nov. 22 – **11:50 AM dismissal/NO AFTERCARE**
- Nov. 23-24 – Thanksgiving Break
- Dec 1 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Ring Ceremony/9:00 AM Mass  
Tree Lighting Ceremony 6:30 PM
- Dec. 3 – Christmas Bazaar
- Dec. 4 – **11:50 AM dismissal**
- Dec. 6 – Picture retakes/Class Pictures
- Dec. 8 – Immaculate Conception Mass 9:00 AM
- Dec. 13 – Jesse Tree Ceremony
- Dec. 14 – \$3.00 Dress Down Day
- Dec. 19 – Christmas Show 7:00 PM

With regards to dress down days, if your child dresses down they should have the money with them on that day. In many cases, the funds are donated to a specified organization, and the check is being sent before all the funds are received. It is understandable that sometimes things are forgotten, but it should come in the next school day if that is the case. Please also remember that dress down days are of course, optional. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

St. Stan's students will again be participating in the Christmas Card Project **December 7**. Information is going home in this white envelope. Please use the QR code to nominate people to receive cards. Thank you to Mrs. Pagnotta for organizing this, and to all the volunteers for making this wonderful Christian service project happen.

I wish you all a very Happy Thanksgiving, and that you are able to spend it with those you love. I am forever thankful for all of you who help make St. Stanislaus Kostka School such an amazing place. May God continue to bless all of you.

Warmest Regards,

Lori Hodder  
Principal



Annual St. Stan's HSA  
Christmas Bazaar  
Sunday, December 3rd  
(11am-5pm)

Dear Parents:

On Sunday, December 3rd, the St. Stan's HSA will be hosting our Annual Christmas Bazaar. This is one of our largest fundraisers and we need your help in making it a success! Included in this envelope is some very important information - please read through it carefully.

As part of your work bond commitment, each family is required to work **ONE** shift at the bazaar. We need all the help we can get, so if you are available to contribute any additional time, please sign up!

Each family **MUST** work **ONE** of the following mandatory shifts on **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3rd**:

(Shift #1: 10:30am-3pm) **or**  
(Shift #2: 2:30-7pm).

The set-up and clean-up shifts will count as **ONE** "other" towards your work bond.

Set-up (FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>: 9am-12pm)

Set-up (FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>: 12-3pm)

Clean-up (SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>: 5:30-8:30pm)

(\*Do not sign-up for the clean-up shift if you are working the mandatory shift #2, unless you have an additional person to report in your place as the times overlap)

Please use the sign up link below to sign up. The spots will be available beginning November 1<sup>st</sup>.

<https://signup.com/go/FHeMtSd>

Thank you in advance for helping make this year's Christmas Bazaar a huge success! Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

St. Stan's HSA



**St. Stan's Christmas Bazaar - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3rd**

**CLASS BASKETS**

Our annual tradition of creating themed baskets for grades PreK-8 will be done again this year.

We are collecting \$5.00 per student to be used toward the purchase of items for these baskets.

This is an optional donation but is greatly appreciated and helps offset the cost!

Class parents will be coordinating the "theme" for their class.

Along with the bottom portion of this form, please include your contribution amount and return it to the school office no later than November 17<sup>th</sup>.

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As always, thank you in advance for your contribution and continued support!

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Grade(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Or VENMO: @elizabeth-poulsen-5 and be sure to include your child's name(s) in the memo.**



**St. Stan's Christmas Bazaar - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3rd  
RAFFLE PRIZE DONATIONS/SPONSORSHIP**

We are in need of donations to make our Annual Bazaar a success!

Please consider donating items for our Tricky Tray; Medium Baskets;  
and/or Toy Wheel! NEW items only please!  
(Suggestions: toys; board games; dolls; candles;  
small appliances; holiday décor; etc!).

Please drop off your labeled donations to the school office  
by **November 17<sup>th</sup>**!

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**Feeling Extra Joyous this Holiday Season?!**

Consider sponsoring a basket honoring a special person  
or perhaps in memory of a loved one!

If you are interested in sponsoring a medium or large raffle,  
the HSA will gladly accept monetary donations and create your  
sponsored basket for you! (Make checks payable to "St. Stan's HSA")  
or VENMO: @elizabeth-poulsen-5 and be sure to include your child's  
name(s) and any pertinent information in the memo.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Medium Raffle - \$50                      \_\_\_\_\_ Large Raffle - \$100

(Choose one)  
\_\_\_\_\_ In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Donated by \_\_\_\_\_



**St. Stan's Christmas Bazaar - Sunday, December 3rd  
Teacher's Cake Stand DONATIONS**

We are in need of cakes or other baked goods for our  
Teacher's Cake Stand!

Please fill out the information below if you are willing donate an item  
for this traditional wheel of chance!

Drop-off: Saturday, December 2nd (10am-12pm)  
Sunday, December 3rd (8am-11am)

Please LABEL all donations and send this form back to the school  
office by 11/17!

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_ Cake
- \_\_\_ Pie
- \_\_\_ Cupcakes
- \_\_\_ Cookies
- \_\_\_ Brownies
- \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**St. Stan's HSA  
3rd Annual  
Christmas Tree Lighting  
Friday, December 1st**

**6:30pm  
Front Patio**

**Treats &  
goodies  
will be  
available  
for sale!**



**Caroling w/  
with  
Mrs. Colgan  
and the  
choir!**

**All are invited to join the festivities!**

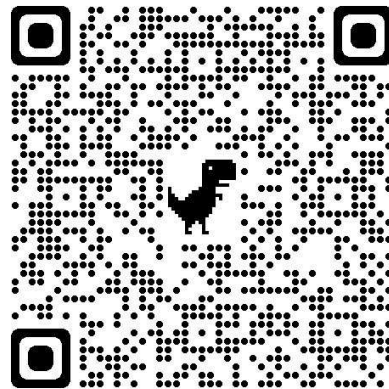
**Special Thanks to our sponsor:  
The Castillo Family!**

# St. Stan's Christmas Card Project

Want to spread joy this Christmas season? Know someone who has experienced a loss, is battling an illness, or could otherwise use some extra cheer this year? Join the St. Stan's Christmas card project!

## 3 Ways to get involved:

- Nominate someone to receive cards (max 2 per family), due Dec. 4 (Use QR code below)
- Donate stamps or Christmas cards by Dec. 4 (stamps especially - we will use a lot!)
- Students in grades PreK-8 can volunteer to stay after school **Thursday, Dec. 7** to write cards for the people on our list



Any questions, please contact Mrs. Pagnotta,  
[kpagnotta@sskschool.org](mailto:kpagnotta@sskschool.org)

Inspired by the Angel Card Project



# St. Stan's Christmas Card Project

Permission for student(s) to stay after school to work on cards on Thursday, December 7, 2:00-3:00:

\*Please return to Mrs. Pagnotta by Dec. 4.

List student name(s) and grade(s):

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Parent/guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Dismissal at 3:00:

Aftercare

Pickup by: \_\_\_\_\_



ST. STAN'S ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

# Breakfast with Santa



PRICING:

**ADULTS:**

\$15 PRE-SALE

\$20 AT DOOR

**CHILDREN:**

12 AND UNDER

\$10 PRE-SALE

\$15 AT DOOR

\*CASH ONLY EVENT

**SATURDAY  
DEC. 9<sup>TH</sup>**

**8:30AM-11AM**

**TICKETS:  
PRE-SALE OR  
\*AT DOOR**

**ST. STAN'S GYM  
ALL FAMILIES WELCOME!**



ADULTS \$15

## PRE-SALE ORDER FORM

CHILDREN \$10

FAMILY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

\*CASH ONLY

#ADULTS \_\_\_\_\_ #CHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE SEND IN EXACT CASH ATTN: LINDA CASTILLO - BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



## **Spread Joy this Christmas for Families in Need**

For 35 years Life Choices Resource Center in Metuchen has been faithfully serving mothers and families who are faced with difficult or unplanned pregnancies. Since 1985 they have helped thousands of women choose life for their babies by providing them with practical, emotional, spiritual and material support.

Through community donations, the ministry is able to supply the families with clothing, formula, diapers, wipes, car seats, cribs, strollers, etc. As you can imagine, most of these parents cannot afford to purchase presents for their children during this time of the year.

Our school and parish will be helping out the ministry again this year. We will be collecting monetary donations that will be used to purchase gift cards for families in need.

We are asking for a donation of \$10.00 per family, but of course any amount is appreciated.

If you would like to donate, please send in your donation by Friday, December 8th to the attention of *Ms. Grover, Life Choices Donation*. Checks can be made out to St. Stan's School.

*Thank you for your generous support  
during the most wonderful time of the year -  
when we celebrate giving in honor of God's gift of His only son.*



# ST. STANISLAUS KOSTKA ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

The Rosary Altar Society will be taking orders for Poinsettias.

- Order forms will be in the main and elevator lobbies of the Church.
- The deadline for orders will be December 3, 2023. Orders can be placed by calling Pat at 732-257-3963.
- Payment is due when order is placed. You can drop the envelope in the collection basket or the Church Office. Make checks payable to: St. Stans Rosary Altar Society.
- Please mark envelopes : Rosary Altar Society Poinsettias.
- Pick-up will be December 16, 2023 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

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**6" Poinsettia \$6.00**

**Pink** \_\_\_\_\_

**Red** \_\_\_\_\_

**White** \_\_\_\_\_

**Marble (Creme with pink)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Shimmer (red with white flecking)** \_\_\_\_\_

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**8" Poinsettia \$12.00**

**Pink** \_\_\_\_\_

**Red** \_\_\_\_\_

**White** \_\_\_\_\_

**Marble** \_\_\_\_\_

**Red & White mix** \_\_\_\_\_

**Shimmer** \_\_\_\_\_

**6" Winter Rose \$6.50** \_\_\_\_\_

**10" \$20.00**

**Pink** \_\_\_\_\_

**Red** \_\_\_\_\_

**White** \_\_\_\_\_

**Tri-Color (red, white,pink)**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Amount Due:** \_\_\_\_\_

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR ROSARY SOCIETY**