

ADVENT VESPER SERVICE: St. Mary's Parish will be sharing Advent Vesper Services with Faith Lutheran and St. James Episcopal Churches. First Service, Nov. 28, 4:30 P.M. at Faith Lutheran.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES: Watch your bulletin and Sault News for times and places. Make it a family affair.

Keep in your prayers this Season our government leaders as they wrestle with our priorities as shown by the national budget.

Dwight D. Eisenhower —

"Every gun that is made, every warship launched, every rocket fired, signifies, in the final sense, a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, those who are cold and are not clothed."

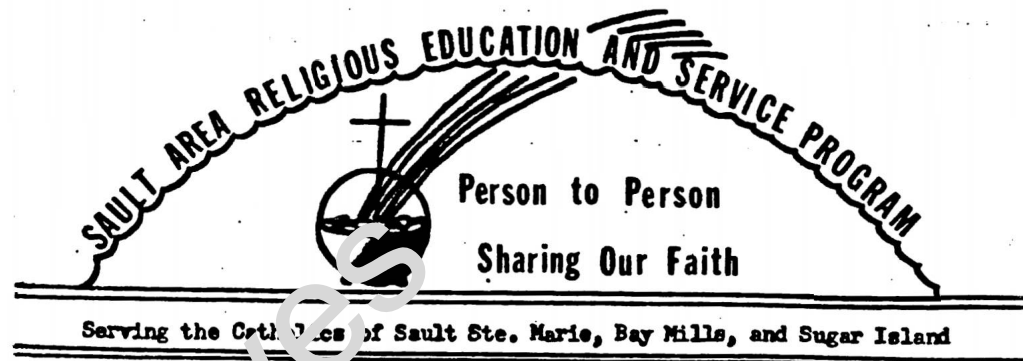


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My dear friends,

It was a real joy to meet many of you at the Parent-Teacher meetings this month. I sincerely hope we were as informative and helpful to you as you were to us. Feedback from the two surveys taken will be in the next newsletter.

The reflective/active season of Advent is almost upon us. I was going to include several Advent customs but decided against it. Addressing cards, buying gifts, baking cookies, setting up the crib, caroling, attending the Reconciliation service can enhance Advent and lead your family into Christmas. This won't automatically happen, you'll have to work at it but it will be worth your time. Share some of the Christmas traditions you grew up with. Pretend this is your last Christmas together, what would you change or make time for?

Have a happy and holy Christmas season.

Sister Mariette, S.B.V.M.



Prepare Him Room

SAINTS HALL OF FAME: Twenty-nine entries were received. Thanks for sharing your favorite saint with us and making it a family project.



PROGRESS REPORTS: Grades 1-8 will be receiving Progress Reports in December. Please sign and return them the next class period.

FIRST COMMUNION CANDIDATES: Parents of second graders or older children who have not made their first Communion contact your parish office for an interview date if you haven't already done so.

CHRISTMAS SEALS AND STICKERS: Religious seals and "to-from" stickers will again be available for purchase. A folder containing 34 seals and 10 gift tags is available for \$1.00. All money earned goes to the missions. This is grades 1-6 project.

CHRISTOPHER'S-YOUTH PARTICIPATING IN WORLD PEACE CONTEST:

"If you had an opportunity to speak directly to world leaders, what would you tell them to do to create a peaceful world for your generation?" 3 first prizes of \$250.00 each and your article will be published nationally. Contest is open to all youth in grades 7-12. For the rules and information contact Sr. Marietta. Contest ends Dec. 25th, 1982.



AN AFTERNOON AT BETHLEHEM: Saturday, December 11, from 2:00-4:00 P.M., students in grades 1-6 are invited to come together to prepare for the Birthday of Jesus. Call by Dec. 9th so we can plan for you. Older students (grs. 7-12) are needed as group leaders, artists and actors.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES for grades 1-6 will be the week of Dec. 13-16. We will have a movie and a simple party, with everybody who can bringing a little treat.



CHRISTMAS SERVICE PROJECTS will be involving many of the Junior High and High School classes.

SAULT ADULT HANDICAPPED PERSONS will have their next meeting Dec. 16. It will be a celebration Christmas reflection and party. Contact Rita Currie for more information.

Adults living at Superior House will have their annual Christmas party with the young people from Blessed Kateri accompanying Sr. Mary Ann and the Lawless on Sunday, Dec. 19.

SINGLE PARENTS: If there is enough interest, at least 3 or 4 people, a support group will be formed. Regis Walling, from the Diocesan Family Life Office will come and help you get started. Let me know soon so we can schedule a January meeting with her.

DAILY SCRIPTURE MEDITATIONS FOR ADVENT

Booklets with meditations and a simple prayer to be said at table or around the Advent wreath are available for 50¢.



CHRISTMAS CARD CONTEST: Original Christmas card cover designs are needed for our program card.

Theme: Religious Christmas. **Size:** Approximately 4 by 5 inches either direction. Only black on white, no crayon, no age restriction. Artists are asked to "sign" their work. **Deadline - Dec. 9.**

Give from the Heart...