



**Charlottesville
Catholic School**
Christ Community Scholars

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Friday Newsletter

3rd Grade

12/20/24

Teacher's Message/Announcements

- Merry Christmas! Thank you for all your support this year! Looking forward to a wonderful 2025!
- **Approved List of Food Items for School Year 2024-2025**
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1iA_D6OGjSil0tg_BxrvY2PTGValHFNhR/view?usp=drive_link

Calendar/Important Dates

- **Sat., December 21 - Sun., January 5 - Christmas Break (Students return Mon., January 6)**
- Tuesday, January 7 - AM Mass (Students must be in formal dress)
- Friday, January 10 - End of 2nd Quarter
- January 16th and 22nd MAP Assessments

Teacher email addresses

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Important School Announcements

- **Christmas Break is a great time** to make sure that uniform pieces fit students properly (especially lengths for pants, skirts, and jumpers), and for boys to get haircuts.
- A great way for us to help our students become collaborators and leaders is to encourage them to participate in the **mass choir**. This year, we are inviting students in grades 3 through 8 to sign up. Below is a link for the sign up and a few items of note:
 - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C44ACAA2DA31-54054132-mass>
 - Students may sign up for as many masses as they would like.
 - Mass choir is open to students in grades 3 through 8.
 - Students should be dropped off at 7:40 so that there is time to practice. If you are running late and arrive after 7:45, you must go through carline.
 - Siblings may be dropped off as well. They will need to sit quietly up front until the bell rings at 7:45.
 - Students will also be practicing mass music in class.
 - While you should receive a reminder email from signupgenius, please note the dates you sign up for.
 - If you must cancel at the last minute, email Ms. Wisbey k.wisbey@cvillecatholic.org.

Social Studies

This Week: Students will draw and label the three geographic features on their maps of Asia and paste the map in their passports.

Next Week: Students will explore Europe and learn about the Mediterranean Sea, the Alps Mountains, and the Italian Peninsula.

Math

This Week: Students will learn about fractions, beginning with partitioning shapes into equal groups. They will identify how a whole can be divided into halves, thirds, fourths, sixths, and eighths.

Next Week: Students will learn how to identify and write fractions on a number line, and how to represent one-whole as a fraction.

Language Arts/Reading/Writing

This Week:

We completed our Novel Study on *The Christmas Pig*. Several activities and group work allowed us to review and practice a variety of reading and language skills. We also had our 3rd Grade Spelling Bee. Congratulations to all of the students - Spelling Bees are no easy thing! Oliver and Hanorah (with Mackenzie and Rosie as alternates) will be representing 3rd Grade in the School-wide Spelling bee on January 10 at 8:30.

Next Week: Monday, January 6

School-wide Spelling bee - Friday, January 10 at 8:30

-Word Study (Spelling): **None**

-Reviewing Vowel Teams

-Writing/Grammar - **Mentor Sentence Quiz - None**

-Skill(s): Pronouns, Main Idea and Details (New Year's Resolutions)

-Mentor Text: None

-Mentor Sentence: *None*

-Reading - Main Idea & Key Details (Repeating Words=Main Topic, The Topic of Each Paragraph)

Homework: [Reading Page \(Let's Learn It - Week 15\) - Due Friday](#)

Study Resources: Grammar Voyages (Ch. 3 - Pronouns), ELA Notebook, Reading Notebook, ELAR Folder, and Word Study Intro Letter/Packet

Theology

This Week:

We have been busy these past few weeks preparing for Jesus' birth and learning more about the Advent season. On Tuesday, Ms. Grassi's homeroom did a great job at leading Mass. We are very proud of them! We also had a lot of fun with our service project (Supporting PACEM and Church of the Incarnation). Thank you so much for the donated supplies!



Next Week: Monday, January 6

-Christ In Us Workbook (Unit 2 - 2.6) How does God share his life with us? - Discussion

Study Resources: Christ In Us Workbook (2.6), Theology Folder, Notebook

Science

This Week: Students will learn the process of photosynthesis and the different types of plants located in ecosystems. Students will work on completing their vocabulary foldable.

Next Week: Students will complete our unit on plants and their study guide will be sent home in their Friday Folders. **The unit test will be on January 14th.** Students will begin our unit on matter and energy.