



# St. James Weekly Update

December 17 -21, 2018

“Called To Be Our Story”

Week 16 of 20 - Term 1

## Week at a Glance

Monday, December 17, 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Hot Food - Pizza</li> <li>● Advent Celebration in our gym @ 9:30 a.m. led by Mr. Lucente’s class. Parents/guardians welcome to join us.</li> <li>● Advent Kindness Idea- Donate unwanted clothes to charity</li> </ul>
Tuesday, December 18, 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Grade 8 Christmas Sale in the a.m. in our gym - Proceeds to Rose of Sharon</li> <li>● Popcorn for sale today - \$1.00 a bag</li> <li>● Advent Kindness Idea- Do something unexpected for someone</li> </ul>
Wednesday, December 19, 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Advent Kindness Idea- Smile and thank someone who serves you</li> </ul>
Thursday, December 20, 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Christmas Dance to raise money for the Goat Fundraiser</li> <li>● Hot Food - Tacos</li> <li>● Advent Kindness Idea- Tape some money on a vending machine</li> </ul>
Friday, December 21, 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Last Day of classes before break</li> <li>● Advent Kindness Idea- Buy a friend or colleague coffee</li> </ul>

## Upcoming Dates

- Tues., Dec. 25 -Christmas Day
- Tues., Jan. 1 -New Year’s Day
- Mon., Jan. 7 -First Day of Classes
- Wed., Jan. 16 -Rosary Apostolate Visits
- Fri., Jan. 19 -Liturgy of the Word @ 9:30 a.m. at St. James Church
- Fri., Feb. 1 -P. A. Day

## Additional Information

- ✓ Our Hot Food, cookie, popcorn, pizza, and milk orders will close this Wednesday, December 19, 2018 on School-Day. These orders are for the months of January, February, and March. Late

orders will not be accepted. All these items can **only** be submitted and purchased on School-Day. Families must register on School Day in order to place these orders. If you have misplaced your individual code, please contact the office and we will send your code home with your child. There is a link to School-Day on our school website. For 24/7 bilingual support for using School-Day, please call 1-855-253-1731.

- ✓ The changes to the [Smoke Free Ontario Act](#) (SFOA), 2017 became fully realized on October 17, 2018 to parallel the legalization of recreational cannabis.

Under the revised SFOA:

1. Vaping will be treated like smoking and is therefore prohibited on school property;
2. **Recreational cannabis is prohibited in the same places where smoking and vaping is prohibited;**
3. Prohibited areas have been expanded to include **an additional 20 metres from any point on the perimeter of the school grounds;**
4. Schools have the responsibility to ensure that No Smoking and No Vaping laws are followed on school property.

We thank you for observing these important restrictions.

## Special Intentions/Prayers

A prayer for the third week of Advent - JOY  
 God of light, bring us joy.  
 Help us to find joy this Advent.  
 Help us to prepare for the coming of the Lord.  
 God of joy, guide us in your way this Advent and always.  
 As we draw closer to the cradle of your Son Jesus, fill us with joy and wonder.  
 We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

This will be my last weekly message until the New Year. On behalf of all the staff at St. James, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a very merry, peaceful, and restful Christmas and all the best for 2019.