

# October Special Area News-Art, Music, Library

## MUSIC

In October we began singing Christmas music and students have been reviewing some of their favorite Christmas songs as well as learning some new ones. This year we will be singing a mixture of favorites as well as some that we did not include in the Christmas program last year. Also we have continued to work on our Veteran's Day music. Speaking of Veteran's Day, we will celebrate **Veteran's Day next Friday November 10<sup>th</sup> following mass in the sanctuary. It will begin at 9AM. A Reception will follow in the undercroft.** If you, a loved one or a special friend is a veteran we would like to honor you during our special ceremony next Friday. Even if you are not a veteran I hope that you can all attend our Veteran's day program to enjoy the music the students have been working on this year.

## ART

In art, students worked hard on two Kentucky art contests during the month of October. K-9 students made preliminary sketches and finished artwork for the adopt-a- highway art contest. This year's theme was 'Can it Kentucky' and we talked about the importance of putting litter in its place. Also students K-8 participated in the 'I Love My Kentucky County' art contest and made artwork about what it is they love about their county. We talked about which county we live in and our favorite places in our counties. These are both state wide art contests so we look forward to finding out if any of our students will place. K-5 students made monster drawings and Halloween masks to celebrate the season and studied different types of leaves by making leaf rubbings. Next up are our school Christmas trees that will be on display in the school tree section of festival of trees. We will have an elementary tree, a middle school tree and five student-designed Christmas bowling pins.

## LIBRARY

Thank you for helping your children to remember their library books on Tuesdays. Next week is our fall **Scholastic book fair in the library** so we will not choose library books next Tuesday. Profits from the book fair help us buy new books for our school library so all purchases are greatly appreciated. **5th grade** continues to work on AR points during library. Please make sure your 5th grade student is reading at home and taking AR tests during library so that they can meet their AR goals. Also 5th grade will be finishing the book Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor for next Tuesday. **4th grade** is reading Number the Stars by Lois Lowry and should have completed through chapter 11 for next Tuesday. It is important that your child reads our group reading book so that they can participate in book discussions.

**The Special Area fee of \$10 per student** is still being collected. These are greatly appreciated as they help replenish paper, markers, glue sticks, materials for festival of trees, and for other projects in all areas that come up, etc... as needed. Please turn in cash if possible or send the checks with your student to their special area class so that I can keep track of them. Thank you for your support of the arts at Holy Family.