

Angelo Catholic School



Mission Statement: To create an atmosphere inspired by the Gospel of Jesus to enable our students to live in a community of faith, knowledge & service.

December 2, 2019

Seniors Still Believe Campaign Nov 15 – Dec 9th

Meals for Elderly would like clients to experience the warmth of the season this Christmas by asking the community to fulfill a senior's gift wish so that they can have at least one Christmas gift. Angelo Catholic School will participate in the Seniors Still Believe Campaign. There will be a wreath displayed in the office beginning Friday, November 15. Each ornament displays a homebound elderly individual's name, Christmas gift wish, and sizes if necessary. All families are invited to pick an ornament off the wreath and shop for the client's Christmas wish. Then simply drop off the ornament with the gift at the ACS office.

We ask that all items and ornaments must be returned by Dec. 9th to ensure the client on each ornament receives their gift by Christmas. Meals for the Elderly will wrap and deliver these gifts with the help of their AMAZING volunteers!

They are also accepting **donations of LARGE Christmas gift bags** so that the gifts can arrive with the look and feel of a Christmas gift and smaller donations of "stocking stuffer" style items. These will be a welcome addition to the larger gifts seniors are asking for this year. Thank you for your support!

ACS "Las Posadas" December 13, 2:30 PM

ACS will host "Las Posadas" on Friday, December 13, 2:30 PM beginning in the Angelo Catholic School Administration Building. "Las Posadas" are traditionally celebrated as a Christmas novena which recalls the plight of Joseph and Mary when they were unable to find lodging in Bethlehem as the birth of Jesus was at hand. "Las Posadas" signifies lodging and it was because of the decree by the Roman emperor Caesar Augustus that the Holy couple had traveled from Nazareth to Bethlehem.

Las Posadas reception, December 13: It will be 1 service hour for every dozen cookies donated. We will need 24 dozen cookies. Eight dozen have already been committed. Please reply to this email if you will be donating cookies. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Highlights

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| December 6 | Feast of St. Nicholas
"Midway", Cinemark Tinseltown, 9:30 am, 5 th -8 th
Christmas at Old Fort Concho, 12-2, K-4 th |
| December 7 | Christmas Parade, 6 pm |
| December 9 | Seniors Still Believe Campaign Last Day |
| December 12 | ACS Eagles vs Compass Academy,
5 th & 6 th , 4:30 pm; some 6 th , 7 th -8 th , 5:30 pm |
| December 13 | Las Posadas, 2:30 pm |
| December 19 | Christmas Pageant, 6:30 PM,
Holy Angels Church |
| December 20 | Mass, 8:30 AM, Holy Angels Church
Christmas Parties, 11:15 AM,
Classrooms will open at 11:15 AM.
Early Release: 3K – 8 th Grade, 12:30 PM
No ASC |

Lunchtimes

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| 3K, 4K, & K – | 10:50 AM – 11:20 AM |
| 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th – | 11:25 AM – 11:55 AM |
| 5 th , 6 th , 7 th , 8 th – | 12:00 PM – 12:30 PM M-TH
11:25 AM – 11:55 AM |

Advent Season –December 1 – December 24

Happy New Year! Beginning the Church's liturgical year, Advent is the season encompassing the four Sundays leading up to the celebration of Christmas. The Advent Season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and also to the anniversary of the Lord's birth on Christmas. The final days of Advent, from December 17 to December 24, focus particularly on our preparation for the celebrations of the Nativity of our Lord (Christmas). (www.usccb.org) We encourage all families to visit the website for ideas about celebrating the season of Advent. As parents, it is our duty to direct our children in their spiritual preparation during this time, especially since the outside world directs us all to consumerism. Our Catholic Faith is rich in traditions during this Advent season; pick one or two and start a new family tradition or continue an old one.

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Please Pray for

ACS Past, Present, and Future Students and Families

Natalie Castellano, 3K student

Faithful Departed

Joe Gonzales, great-grandfather to Edmund (1st) and Owen (3K)

Special Intention for families

ACS Past, Present and Future Faculty and Staff

ACS Growth: Retention and Recruitment

All those who keep us safe in our country, state, and city

All Military and families

Pope Francis

All Bishops, especially Bishop Sis

All Bishops Emeritus, especially Bishop Pfeifer

All Priests

All Deacons

All Men and Women Religious

All Seminary Students, especially our Seminarian of the Month

More men and women to answer the call to the Priesthood and Religious Life

Strength and support for the Christian presence in the Holy Lands

Peace in the Middle East

Rosary with ACS Students

Come pray the Rosary every Friday except first Friday at 12:10 PM in the Holy Angels Church. On first Friday of the month, they pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Everyone is welcome to join us!

Vocation Crosses go home with different students every Wednesday

Each week a special blessing will be given to the students with whom the Vocation Crosses will go home. Please check the instructions in the bag and begin praying for Vocations during the regular family prayer time.

ACS Rosary

Come pray the Rosary for Angelo Catholic School every Thursday in the Holy Angels Chapel at 7:00 PM.

ACS Christmas Pageant – Dec 19

The ACS PreK-Eighth Christmas Pageant will be in the Holy Angels Church on December 19 at 6:30PM. PreK – Eighth grade students' assignments will be sent via email by December 11.

ACS Final Mass of 2019, Friday, December 20

The ACS Final Mass of 2019 will be Friday, December 20 at 8:30 AM. Please make plans to attend.

Christmas Parties - Remember the Baby!!! Donations instead of goodie bags, etc. – December 20

Home & School will be providing pizza and you should be hearing from your homeroom parent for additional items needed. Parties will take place from 11:15 – 12:15 with early release at 12:30. There will be NO afterschool care available. Remember, we do NOT exchange gifts at ACS.

Christmas Break Dec 20 – Jan 6

Our ACS students will begin Christmas break at 12:30 p.m. on December 20, 2019 and return to school on Monday, January 6, 2019. The Angelo Catholic School students, faculty and staff wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Service Hours Opportunities

Las Posadas reception, December 13: It will be 1 service hour for every dozen cookies donated. We will need 24 dozen cookies. Please reply to this email if you will be donating cookies.

Catholic Schools Week, January 27: We will need cookies to take to volunteer organizations and the parishes in town. It will be 1 service hour for every dozen cookies donated.

Lunches

If your child orders a lunch, you will be charged for the lunch unless there are extenuating circumstances such as sickness. Angelo Catholic School is still responsible for payment of the lunch even if the lunch is not consumed. Thank you for your cooperation!

Mary, mother of God, Pray for us. Angels watch over us and help us daily. Holy Spirit guard us, guide us, direct us and protect us from all evil as we live each day. Thank you God for our many blessings and may all people give glory to Your holy name. Amen