



# St. Catherine of Siena Catholic School

God Bless us,  
everyone!

Update #17

## Update for Dec 16, 2009



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**Mission Statement**  
With a pioneering spirit we, the Community of St. Catherine of Siena, are dedicated to fostering a learning environment that encourages academic excellence, faith expression, leadership and the celebration of



our individual gifts.

### No room in the stable...

Thanks to our students and families we have reached our goal and filled the stable!! Last week we exceeded our goal of \$1200 to purchase a stable full of animals for a community through World Vision. In addition, we have also equipped a medical clinic and supplied mosquito nets. Thank you to all who participated in all of our Spirit Days to raise these funds!

Our mitten tree is brimming with colourful, warm mittens, hats and scarves! Thank you!

Our canned food collection is slowly growing. Donations will be picked up this Friday morning, so please have anything you wish to donate in before then. Many sincere thanks.

### Christmas Concert

Our Primary Christmas Concert is this Thurs-

day, December 17 at 7:00 pm in the gym. Admission is a non-perishable food item for the Food Bank. A big thank you to all of the teachers who have been involved in this production!! We look forward to seeing you there!

### Cold and Ice Means...

**Please** ensure that your child is coming to school appropriately dressed for the weather! It is our intention to send the students out for recesses as this allows them much needed activity and fresh air. In extreme cases, as necessary, time outside will be adjusted according to the temperatures and wind chill. This may include a shortened recess outdoors.

Also, please discuss the importance of staying off of the icy areas of the school yard. Students are reminded daily and are expected to heed the noon hour supervisors' instructions as well. Many thanks for helping us keep the kids safe!

### A Christmas Prayer

Emmanuel, you are the Everlasting Light.  
Help us to bring your love everywhere we go.  
Penetrate and possess our whole being so fully this Christmas,  
That all our lives will be a radiance of you.  
Shine through us and be so in us  
That everyone we come in contact with today  
May feel your presence in our spirits.  
Let them look and see, not just us,  
But you, Light of all Lights,  
Shining through us.  
Amen  
(Sr. Joyce Rupp, adapted from John Cardinal Newman's Prayer)

### Looking Ahead...

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|----------------------------|--------|
| Red and Green Day          | Dec 18 |
| Primary Advent Celebration | Dec 18 |
| Last Day of Classes        | Dec 18 |
| Back to School             | Jan 4  |
| Gr. 8 MTS Orientation      | Jan 6  |
| Family Literacy Night      | Jan 27 |
| PA Day                     | Feb 1  |

