

## DMCS Newsletter December 6, 2018

Dear Parents-

Blessed Advent to you all! Tomorrow we start the season with giving. We will have a Care and Share Dress Down day with all proceeds going to support the Prayer Shawl Ministry at our church. Join us in supporting this wonderful ministry.

Have you found a way to slow down and make the season memorable? This is always a challenge for me. My time gets so packed with the busy-ness of preparation that I forget to prepare what really matters-ME! I have included a link to an article that gives some great practical ideas for carving out time for reflection. I hope it helps you as much as it helped me. (<https://aleteia.org/2016/12/13/10-simple-ways-to-slow-down-this-advent/>)

With only two weeks left until Christmas Break, time has begun to fly by at hyper speed. We have our Reconciliation for grades 3-5 coming up on December 12<sup>th</sup>. This is also the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Next Friday we will have another Care and Share Dress Down Day for charity. The proceeds will go for our Jesus Food Pack during Catholic Schools' Week. Thank you for your generosity.

I hope you are planning to join us for one of our Christmas Concert Performances on December 18<sup>th</sup>. We encourage anyone who cannot make the evening performance to attend our final dress rehearsal at 1:00 PM that day. There are many grandparents and adults who attend then. Our evening performance begins at 6:30 PM. Doors will open at 5:30 PM. All performances will be held at Bethlehem Academy.

One of our goals each year during our concerts is to teach the students concert etiquette. Please see the attached PDF for some great tips. Thank you for supporting our educational efforts in this regard.

Blessings to you and your family as we celebrate the second Sunday of Advent this weekend.

God Bless!

Gina Ashley

*"The purpose of my instruction is that all believers would be filled with love that comes from a pure heart, a clear conscience, and genuine faith."*  
1 Timothy 1:5

### Long-Term Sub Position!

Divine Mercy Catholic School is seeking a 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Long-Term Substitute Teacher beginning February, 2019. Minnesota Teaching License preferred. Please send a letter of interest and resume to: Gina Ashley, Divine Mercy Catholic School, 15 SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Faribault or email [gashley@dmcs.cc](mailto:gashley@dmcs.cc).



## CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The DMCS Preschool through 5th grade Christmas Concert is Tuesday, December 18th, at 1:00 pm and 6:30 pm in the BA Van Orsow Auditorium. The Concert will feature all students, Preschool through 5th Grade. They will be singing a variety of Advent and Christmas music. The 5th grade band will also perform.

**Afternoon Performance** - Students should wear their best school dress code attire for the afternoon concert.

**Evening Performance** - Students should meet with their class at their designated spot in BA by 6:15 pm and wear their best Christmas outfit for the evening performance. The 5th grade band members will meet in the BA Concession area at 6:15 pm.

*Please remember DMCS in your will.*



**THANK YOU** All are invited to attend our PTO meetings. Please join us for our next PTO meeting **Wednesday, December 12th**. We will meet at 6:00 PM at DMCS.

Please see the attached minutes from our last meeting and the agenda for the meeting on December 12th.

## Dates to Remember

- Dec. 7 Care & Share Dress Down-Prayer Shawl Ministry
- Dec. 12 Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe  
8:30 Mass K Host  
Reconciliation Gr. 3-5
- Dec. 14 Care & Share Day-Jesus Food
- Dec. 18 Butter Braid Pick-up  
PreK-Gr. 5 Christmas Concert (at BA) 1:00 PM  
PreK-Gr.5 Christmas Concert (at BA) 6:30 PM
- Dec. 19 8:30 Mass K-12  
Pre-K to St. Lucas  
Gr. 1 to Milestone
- Dec. 21 Reward Dress Down Day
- Dec. 24 - Jan 2 Christmas Break NO SCHOOL
- Jan. 3 School Resumes



## Attached/Included to Folder

- ❖ Hot Lunch Statements
- ❖ PTO Minutes & Agenda
- ❖ Volleyball Gr. 4 & 5 Flier
- ❖ Kindness Character Card

### *St. Nicholas Feast Day - December 6th*

**G**od, Our Father, we pray that through the intercession of St. Nicholas, You will protect our children. Keep them safe from harm and help them grow and become worthy in Your sight. Give them strength to keep their Faith in You; and to keep alive their joy in Your creation. Through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen

*St Nicholas - Patron of Children*

*The word Santa Claus originated from His name.*



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