

December 16, 2020

Dear OLSS Families,

I would like to thank every family who contributed so generously to the Advent charities for each class this season. The act of giving to others who are less fortunate helps children learn empathy and realize that the things they have are not a given for everyone in this world.

During this third week of Advent, let us prepare our hearts and homes for the birth our Savior. Please stay safe and be well over Christmas break. Let us pray for those impacted by COVID-19, for our health care workers,

and for the recovery of our global community. Let us also continue to do our part by adhering to safety protocols to protect ourselves, our loved ones, and our community. I thank each of you again for your continued support and cooperation as we all work together to keep our students, staff, and families safe.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,

Mrs. Thompson



NEWS & REMINDERS:

THIS FRIDAY, DEC. 18 IS A 12:30pm DISMISSAL, with no Aftercare. Please pick up your children promptly. Children will be bringing home their crates on THURSDAY for the virtual learning week, Jan. 4-8.

CHRISTMAS TAG DAY: This Friday is a Christmas-themed clothing Tag Day. Children should bring a \$1 donation for charity that our Student Council will select.

VIRTUAL CLASSROOM: We are hoping to start an In-School Virtual Learning class for new students in 4th - 8th grades in January. All of our classrooms (with the exception of 6th grade) are full, but this class would allow students to come to school daily and learn virtually from the same teachers in our school. Students would benefit from peer socialization, lunchtime and recess with classmates, resource classes, weekly mass and other special in-school events. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please have them contact the school ASAP.

OLSS ADVISORY BOARD: The School Advisory Board is looking for new members to join its vibrant and dedicated team of parents and parishioners. Board members provide advice and assistance to Father Ken and Mrs. Thompson regarding different administrative functions, including maintaining the school's financial integrity and continuing to provide excellent, relevant, Christian based education to our children. The Board typically meets one evening each month. Please email <u>olssadvisoryboard@olss.org</u> if you are interested.

VIRTUAL LEARNING WEEK: We will have a Virtual Learning week the week after Christmas Break; January 4-8.

BRICK WALKWAY CAMPAIGN UPCOMING EVENTS We are selling bricks, laser etched with your DECEMBER personal message, which will be placed in the Dec. 18: 12:30pm Dismissal sidewalk to the main entrance of the school. • Dec. 21-Jan. 3: No School - Christmas Break There are different sizes available, with prices JANUARY ranging from \$100~\$165. Jan. 4-8: VIRTUAL LEARNING WEEK Please go to • Jan. 20: End of 2nd Quarter https://polarengraving.com/olss Jan. 14: Lifetouch Portrait Retakes to order and personalize your Our Lady Star Jan. 15: 12:30pm Dismissal of the Sea School brick. Payment may be made by Jan. 18: No School – MLK Dav Home & School check or through the online Association Jan. 31-Feb. 6: Catholic Schools Week school store. 2020 Fundraiser