



## December 18, 2019

Dear Parents & Guardians,

When I reflect on my time (though it may be short) as principal of what I consider to be an awesome school, I have many wonderful memories. The road has had bumps and many challenges along the way. The rewards have far outweighed the challenges. All of the experiences of this year have contributed in some way to ensuring we offer our students the best faith based education. I believe we have a unique place for students to learn through loving and living both academics and their faith. I am blessed to be the Principal of such an amazing school and I thank you for trusting me with your children.

### News for the New Year:

- Pre -K dismissal for full-day students will now be at 3:00pm, the same time as all other students. This is to ensure the safety of all of our students and will help streamline our carline procedure.
- School lunch will now be \$4.00. I have surveyed local area schools and their prices for lunch range from \$4.00 to \$6.00. A HappyMeal is \$3.82 and is nowhere as nutritious as our home cooked meals. Please let me know if this is a hardship for anyone.

Merry Christmas to all and have a safe, happy and holy holiday season.

Grace and Peace,

Mrs. Jennifer Thompson

### NEWS & REMINDERS :

**Nativity Games:** Yesterday, students were treated to a special Christmas gift and spent the afternoon in the Providence Room playing Nativity Games! A huge thank you to Brandi Hutchins, Heather Hankins, Veronica Hinojosa, Valerie Gonzalez, Blaize Bailey, and Glen and Jessica Thompson for assisting with the games.



**Friday Schedule:** Fri, Dec. 20 is a free Tag Day with Christmas-themed or red and green clothing. **There will not be lunch at school that day.**

- 9am: Middle School Christmas Brunch
- 9:45-11am: PK - 5<sup>th</sup> Christmas parties
- 11am-12pm: Christmas Games
- 12:30 Dismissal |No Aftercare

**Wish Tree:** Thank you to everyone who purchased items for our teachers from the Christmas Wish Tree! We greatly appreciate your generosity.

**Youth Rally:** The OLSS Youth Ministry is organizing a trip to the Youth Rally & Mass for Life on **Fri, Jan. 24**. Please see <https://www.olssyouth.org/youth-rally-and-mass.html> for more info and tickets.



Our Christmas Concert was a beautiful night of performances from the children.

Thank you to Music Teacher Kathy Bone for organizing the concert. Please see the school webpage or Facebook page for photos.



### OLSS CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

#### CHRISTMAS EVE

- 4pm: Children's Mass (Parish Church)
- 7pm: Choir Mass (Parish Church, music begins 6:30pm)
- 12am: Midnight Mass (Music begins 11:30pm, Parish Church)

#### CHRISTMAS DAY

- 10am: Mass (Historic Church)