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January 1, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back! I wish you a healthy and joy-filled New Year! We are entering a very busy time of year as we prepare for Catholic Schools Week, beginning on January 28 at the 10:00 am Mass. Open House will be held from 11:30 am until 2:00 pm, so please spread the word about our wonderful school. A second Open House will be held on Friday, February 2, from 9:30 am-10:30 am and 12:15 pm-1:15 pm. Many wonderful activities are planned, including the Literacy Fair for all students on January 31 at 7:00 pm. Also, I am pleased to report that legislation regarding The Tax Cut and Jobs Act allows for expansion of 529 Accounts. Starting in 2018, these accounts can be used for up to \$10,000.00 in tuition expenses annually in elementary and secondary schools. Thank you for your continued support of our mission.

Our Pre-Kindergarten Program for students ages 3 and 4 has received the prestigious honor of being named best Preschool in Middlesex County by the Home News and Tribune. We are very happy to receive this recognition for our wonderful school.

Astronaut Mark Vande Hei sent a picture from space, displaying the St. Bartholomew School Commemorative Coin. We are grateful for his support.

Congratulations to the winners of the *Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest*: Samantha Bell (Grades 6-8), Joseph Peters (Grades 3-5), and Juliana Roncancio (Grades K-2).

Please see the January Activities Calendar for the listing of after school activities. We have many wonderful events upcoming, so please see the Communication Envelope. Please support Mr. O'Grady and the Polar Bear Plunge, which will be held on January 28.

Please note that the Second Quarter ends on January 26, so please continue to monitor your child's progress on Power School.

I wish you many blessings in 2018.

God bless you,  
Mrs. Ann Wierzbicki, R.N., M.A.E./Ed.S.  
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***The mission of St. Bartholomew School is to love, educate and inspire  
our children to live the teachings of Jesus Christ.***