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Dear Parents and Guardians,

What a wonderful start to the Advent Season we have had at St. Bartholomew School! Our Band and Chorus treated us to a wonderful Winter Concert, and I thank Miss Malko for her support of our Music Program. Our entire student body participated in our tree lighting as Fr. Tom and Fr. Dario placed the star on top of the tree and students created ornaments and sang carols. I thank Mrs. Riccardella for coordinating this event, Mrs. Brautigan for refreshments, and all our parent/guardian volunteers who helped make this event a success! Christmas cards, created by Samantha Bell and Selena Minieri, were sold after Sunday Masses for a donation to support Catholic Charities.

This week, our students can do their Christmas shopping and visit Santa at the St. Nick's Sale on December 5 and 6. Please see the Communication Envelope for details, and please consider volunteering for this fun event. Also on December 6, in honor of St. Nicholas' Feast Day, students should bring an extra shoe as we expect Santa to come and fill the shoes with treats! Students may add Christmas touches to their uniforms when they attend the St. Nick Sale, such as Christmas socks, headbands, sweatshirts, etc. Students may dress down on December 7 for a donation of baby goods or money to support Life Choices, sponsored by our Girl Scouts.

Our Chorus will be performing at Brunswick Square Mall, JC Penney wing, on December 5 at 7:00 pm. Students should arrive at 6:30 pm. Please join us if you are able.

Keep Christ in Christmas posters are due to Miss Sheridan on December 8. Participation is mandatory for Art.

Our Christmas Show will be held on December 8 in the cafeteria, and doors for the event will open at 6:30 pm. Information about dress code was sent home and is also available on Miss Malko's website. Please note that the aisles must remain clear for our students to enter and exit. Attendance at the evening event is mandatory for students. There will be no hot lunch served on Friday. Thank you for your cooperation.

Please note that students go out for recess when the temperature is above 32°F, so appropriate outerwear is required.

As we begin our Advent journey, we will reflect on the nature of God and our relationship with Him as our eighth grade students lead us in prayer each morning.

***The mission of St. Bartholomew School is to love, educate and inspire
our children to live the teachings of Jesus Christ.***

The birth of Jesus at Bethlehem is not an event which can be consigned to the past. The whole human history in fact stands in reference to Him: our own time and the future of the world are illumined by His presence (John Paul II).

God bless you,
Mrs. Ann Wierzbicki, R.N., M.A.E./Ed.S.
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