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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to the second week of Advent as we prepare for the birth of Christ. We celebrated the Christmas season with a beautiful Christmas Show. Thank you, Miss Malko and Mrs. Dudra, for preparing our students so beautifully. A wonderful evening was enjoyed by all. Thank you, Mrs. Harduby, and all our volunteer elves, who made the St. Nick Sale so enjoyable.

I am pleased to announce that our Pre-Kindergarten Program was voted *Best in Middlesex County!* We continue to offer an outstanding Catholic education to students in Pre-Kindergarten 3 and 4 to Eighth Grade, so please continue to spread the good news about St. Bartholomew School!

Cross Country will celebrate end-of-the-season with a Pizza Party after school. Ms. Vetter, a dietician from St. Peter's University Hospital, will visit students on Thursday in Grades Kindergarten, 7, and 8 to teach students about healthy eating. Drama auditions will take place on December 13 and 14.

Our students raised over \$1300.00 for Catholic Charities at the Christmas card sale. Cards, created by two of our students, are still available for a donation to Catholic Charities. Girl Scouts raised over \$700.00 for Life Choices.

Winners of the *Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest* will be announced at the 10:00 am Mass on December 17! St. Bartholomew School had 100% participation in support of this event.

There is a dress down for students whose families purchased Super 50/50 raffle tickets on Thursday. Teachers will also participate in an *Ugly Christmas Sweater Competition!*

Please see the Communication Envelope for more details about events and for the December Activities Calendar. Please be sure that you have registered for Honeywell Instant Alert as this is our way of notifying you of school delayed openings, closings, and important events.

On Tuesday, we honor Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas.

**Our Lady of Guadalupe, mystical rose, make intercession for the Holy Church,
protect the Sovereign Pontiff, help all those who invoke thee in their necessities,**

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

and since thou art the ever Virgin Mary and Mother of God, obtain for us from thy most holy Son the grace of keeping our faith, sweet hope in the midst of the bitterness of life, burning charity and the precious gift of final perseverance. Amen.

Have a blessed week.

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