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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! I hope that you had a wonderful holiday with your family and friends. It was wonderful to have some time to rest and recharge. In case I've missed anyone, I wanted to say thank you for the generous and thoughtful gifts that I received. I was floored by the generosity of the school community. It was lovely to see all the smiling faces of the children and staff as we returned to school last week. The children are bursting with stories of their time away from school. We are all settling back into our regular routine. Homework Club has already resumed, and the next set of registrations for after school clubs has already been posted on the school website. Chorus and band will resume the week of January 13.

We continue with our tradition of classes hosting our school Masses. The children are really doing a wonderful job at Mass, and I encourage you to attend when your child's class is the host. Student cantors, readers, singers, and ambassadors make it a truly special time. Thank you to all the families who attended Mass this past Sunday at noon with Bishop Checchio. It was a beautiful Mass that showed our wonderful parish and school communities.

We are excited for all the new adventures that 2025 will bring for the St. Bart's family. Mark your calendars for Catholic Schools Week which will begin with Mass at 10 am on Sunday, January 26. We are inviting families to visit classrooms on Thursday, January 30th at 7pm for Literacy Night and we have several special events for students including the annual volleyball game, the American Heroes Prayer Service, and Eighth Grade Leadership Day.

Midterms for middle school students are planned to start on Monday, January 13. Students in grades 6-8 will be taking midterms. Please help your middle school student understand the difference between studying and homework, and the need to prepare for midterms. Study guides are available for students. Sixth graders tend to have the most difficulty understanding the preparation that is involved in studying for exams. Check your child's teachers' websites for the specific dates of their exams. The end of the marking period is January 17. Please check PowerSchool to see how your child is doing academically. It's certainly easier to deal with any missing assignments now than the few days before the end of the marking period.

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our children to live the teachings of Jesus Christ.*

As is traditional, the information for re-registration for students for the 2025-2026 school year will be available during Catholic Schools Week. Please make every effort to get the paperwork into the office on time. We begin planning and making decisions about the 2025-2026 school year as early as the beginning of March.

Mark your calendars:

1/17 - End of second marking period

1/20 - No School, Martin Luther King Jr. Day

1/26-1/31 - Catholic Schools Week (schedule attached)

2/3-2/20 - MAP Testing

2/8 - HSA's Sweetheart Dance

2/14 - Valentine's Day celebrations, early dismissal, faculty meeting

2/17 - No School - Presidents' Day, 8th Grade Trip to Washington, DC

2/20 - HSA's Mission Fair

3/5- Ash Wednesday, All School Mass

Wishing you a blessed New Year!

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ST. BARTHOLOMEW SCHOOL

Sunday, January 26

PARISH

School Mass at 10 a.m.

Student Speakers at All Masses

Pancake Breakfast

Open House - 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Monday, January 27

COMMUNITY

Service Project – Silly Sock Day with Sock Donations

Step-Up Day

Tuesday, January 28

STUDENTS

School Spirit Day - Wear your Green and Gold

Faculty/Staff vs 8th Grade Volleyball Game

Wednesday, January 29

NATION

Prayer Service for American Heroes with

Community Guests

Thursday, January 30

VOCATIONS

8th Grade Leadership Day

Project-based Learning/Literacy Fair
Demonstrations – 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Friday, January 31

FACULTY/STAFF/STUDENTS/

VOLUNTEERS

School Mass at 10:00 a.m. with Volunteers

Teacher Appreciation Luncheon

Early Dismissal



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