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December 18, 2017

Dear St. Germaine families,

What a wonderful performance Friday by our 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders! The band, solos and of course, full – group vocals...impressive! Thank you, parents, for sharing your beautiful children with us! As we begin our third week of Advent, may we make time to “watch and wait,” preparing ourselves for the birth of our Savior, Jesus the Christ.

- **A note from Fr. Jim:** Thank you St. Germaine students for your Christmas performance and your gift presented to me. Your spirit and energy energizes me and your generosity is always appreciated. God bless!
- While many of our school families are members of neighboring parishes, Our Lady of Hope Parish is the community that financially supports our school. Please consider directing your **Christmas offering** to Our Lady of Hope Parish. Every dollar gifted to OLOH, as a Christmas offering, stays within our parish, and is not assessed (taxed) by the Archdiocese. Online donations may be made at [www.OLOHSCS.ORG](http://www.OLOHSCS.ORG). Thank you in advance!**Thank you** again to **Rebecca Enghauser and ALL the other parent volunteers** that assisted at Santa Shop last week, job well done, our students loved it!
- St. Germaine is one of 80 Michigan schools statewide, approved for participation in the **Building Healthy Communities: Step Up for School Wellness** program that supports children’s health by providing students, teachers and administrators with the necessary tools to create a healthier school environment. Thank you, Mr. Talia, P.E. teacher, for applying for this beneficial program for our students!
- All of our CYO basketball teams will be competing in **Christmas tournaments**. Our girls will compete here on our home court starting Thursday. Our boys will compete at Guardian Angels. Click [here](#) for schedules. Go Spartans! Help is always needed at the tournament, want to help? Sign up here: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e4eaeaf2da64-201720181>
- Mark your calendar: Our annual **Men’s Club bowling** fundraiser is coming up January 26! See [flyer](#).
- Our “eating out” location this week Tuesday is at **Ram’s Horn at 9 Mile/Jefferson 4 – 8 pm**.
- Please **send pictures for the 2017 – 2018 yearbook** to Lisa Green at [lgreen@olohscs.org](mailto:lgreen@olohscs.org). Sporting events, birthday parties, field trips, concerts etc. are all great photo opportunities for our yearbook!
- Our **Silent Auction Dinner Dance date is Saturday, March 10, 2018** at the Lakeland Banquet and Event Centre on 9 Mile in St. Clair Shores! Start inviting friends, family, co-workers to attend the event with you. Assistance is also needed in acquiring prizes, auction and/or raffle items. Is this is something you could help with? Use this informational request [letter](#) to ask whomever you know—maybe your employer could be a sponsor?
- **LATCHKEY IS CLOSED after dismissal at 11:40 am Wednesday December 20 so all staff may attend our Christmas luncheon.**

Here’s a look at our short week ahead:

Monday, December 18	Dress down day \$1, Preschool Christmas program at 10:30 am, Holly Hoops & Shoots at 2:30 pm \$1, Math Club after school
Tuesday, December 19	Preschool Christmas program at 10 am, Toddler Time! Nativity prayer service at 2:30 pm in church, Ram’s Horn Night 4 – 8 pm
Wednesday, December 20	Half day of school, Mass at 8:30 am grades K – 8, Dreamweavers presentation at 11 am, school/parish faculty/staff Christmas luncheon at Noon, <b>Christmas break begins</b>

**Our Lady of Hope Parish Christmas Mass schedule: Christmas Eve 4 pm and 6 pm, Christmas Day 8:30 and 10:30 am**

***WARM WISHES TO ALL FOR A BLESSED ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SEASON AND A SAFE, HEALTHY START TO OUR NEW YEAR, 2018! SCHOOL RESUMES TUESDAY, JANUARY 2.***

Advent Peace and Blessings,  
Mrs. DeGrez