



# ST. GERARD SCHOOL

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<b>Monday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Day 2</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Healthy Hunger – Booster Juice</li> <li>❖ Coding Club – 10:30 – 10:45am.</li> <li>❖ Mental Math Club 12:20-12:40 pm.</li> <li>❖ Dance Club 12:20-12:40 pm.</li> <li>❖ Hockey/Ringette Club – 2:00-2:15 pm – Division 1 (grades 1-3).</li> </ul>	
<b>Tuesday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Day 3</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Games Club – 12:20 -12:40 pm.</li> <li>❖ Lego Club– 12:20 -12:40 pm.</li> </ul>	
<b>Wednesday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Day 4</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ BFG (Big Family Group) Activity a.m.</li> <li>❖ Reading Club – 12:20 – 12:40 pm.</li> </ul>	
<b>Thursday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Day 5</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Chess Club – 12:20-12:40 pm</li> <li>❖ Sammy’s Pasta</li> </ul>	
<b>Friday, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Day 6</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Lunch provided by Mr. Hong</li> </ul>	
<b>UPCOMING:</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Dec. 9-11<sup>th</sup> – We will be collecting for Mission Mexico.</li> <li>❖ Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> – School Pizza Lunch.</li> <li>❖ Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> – All gifts from our Angel tree as well as food donations must be returned by 9am. If late-please take directly to St. Gerard Church. Thank-you!!</li> <li>❖ Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> – grade 6/5 walking to St. Gerard Parish to assist with packing Christmas Hampers.</li> <li>❖ Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Concert – 6:30 pm. If your child will not attend due to early vacation, please let the office know.</li> <li>❖ Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> – last day of classes – FULL day</li> <li>❖ Christmas Break – Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> to Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul>	



**Plan to come!** – Our next GrACE event is Thursday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>. It is an opportunity to come together as a parent community to learn more about how to navigate parenting in this distracted age. Topics will be explored through speakers, and a chance to socialize and meet other parents. GrACE stands for **G**rateful **A**dvocates for **C**atholic **E**ducation. More information to come soon.



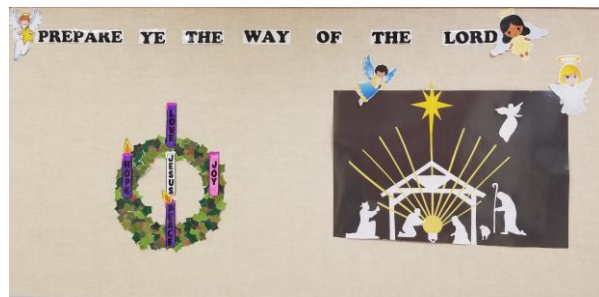
### Do you know?

Advent is a time for us to prepare for the coming of Jesus. During Advent, if possible, our nativity scenes do not have baby Jesus in the crèche. In this [Apostolic Letter](#), Pope Francis explains the meaning and importance of the Nativity Scene. Nativity scenes, based on the Gospel of Matthew and Luke, are often set up during Advent to remind us that we will soon be celebrating the Christmas season, which signifies the birth of Jesus, our savior.



## Advent-We Are Preparing for Jesus

Advent 1-Thanks to Mme. Renee's class for the lovely Advent Celebration this past week and thank you to all who were able to join us.



## Grade 2/1:

Mme. Celine's Gr. 2/1 class have been busy this week making Advent wreaths out of cereal and paint and have also been preparing for Christmas.



## School Chapel

Two students from Mme. Renee's grade 4/3 class gave each class a personalized tour of our new chapel. The chapel is open to all classes, to anyone as a place to pray and reflect, and to those who may need a break or a quiet space.

Any parents who would like to start a morning prayer group are welcome to get in touch with Mme Hooey.



Students were also reminded of the reverence a chapel deserves and the etiquette and respect expected.

## St. Vincent de Paul

Each class continues to collect dry goods for Christmas hampers. If you can help out, please see your class SeeSaw or contact your child's teacher to see what is needed. We also have angels on our Christmas tree in the front foyer. Each angel has the gender and age of someone less fortunate who is in need of a gift this holiday season.

Please send the food and wrapped & labelled gifts to school before December 16<sup>th</sup>. We will be taking the boxes of food and gifts over to St. Gerard Church on the morning of December 16<sup>th</sup>. If you are able to help, please contact the office.

## Sammy's Pizza:

Parents may continue to order Sammy's Pizza/Pasta through the year. Attached is the order form for Term 2 if you'd like to order. Another form will be sent home for Term 3 around the end of February. Thank-you.

