## St. Bridget School

#### Mission

St. Bridget School provides an excellent Catholic education in an environment where the message of Jesus Christ is taught, lived and shared.



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Be Fair

Be Respectful

Be Responsible

Be Trustworthy

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#### Calendar of Events

#### December 4

First Reconciliation 9:30

## December 5

2nd Sunday of Advent

#### December 6

Scrip Orders Due Last Order before Christmas!

#### December 8

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception - Holy Day

## December 10

Scrip Pickup

### December 16

Napoli's Hot Lunch

#### December 17

End of 2nd Qtr 11:25 a.m. Dismissal No Preschool No Aftercare

## December 24 Christmas Eve Masses

December 24 at 4:00pm December 24 at 5:30pm December 24 at Midnight Livestream 4:00pm Livestream Midnight Mass

## December 25 Christmas Day Masses

December 25 at 7:00am, 8:15am, 10:00am, 11:30am and 4:30pm Livestream 10:00am

## December 20-31

Christmas Break

## January 3

Teacher Institute

## January 4

Classes Resume



Next week the Home and School Board is offering an opportunity for students to purchase Christmas gifts for parents, grandparents, siblings, pets, etc. at the Holiday Treasures Gift Shop at school. Early in the week they will have a chance to view the items and they may place an order by Thursday, December 9. Orders will be filled and sent home in sealed bags Friday the 10th and Monday the 13th.

The link below shows all items offered if you would like to give your child a preview. You decide how much money they have to spend. A flyer and envelope will be sent home this Friday for you to fill with the designated funds, or you may buy a voucher online and send it with your child next week. (See Parent and Payment information at the top of the page at the link below) https://8211550.holidaytreas

#### Middle School Ministry

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will meet Wednesday, December 8th, in The Underground (basement of the Parish Center) from 6:00-7:30pm. All middle school students are welcome to attend! Reminder: please remember to wear a mask to all youth ministry events!

## Aftercare Sign Up

Please be diligent about signing up and removing your child's name if they are not attending on a particular day. We must verify every student who is on the list is in attendance at aftercare. If a student is missing, we will contact the parent to verify that they have been picked up.



#### Cold Weather

Please make certain that your child is appropriately dressed in a coat, mittens and hat. Please make sure to label all clothing with your child's name.

All girls will be required to cover their legs from January 1st to March 1st all day long. They may wear tights or leggings (black or navy) under their skirts and jumpers.



#### **Christmas Program**

Mrs. Roby and our students have been busy preparing a Virtual Christmas program. Please see the attached letter for details.



## Thank you!

Thank you for participating in the Square I Art Fundraiser! By ordering your child's amazing art on memorable keepsakes, you celebrated creativity and helped raise money for our Art Department. Thank you for your support! If you missed out on ordering, or would like to order additional items, you can order year round! Go to square lart.com/ shop, enter your child's art access code (or use online Art Search to find you child's art) and make your order! Upload additional art any time using online Art Upload and order! Our school continues to benefit from every order!!

## Fundraiser for the Poor Clares

Paul Perrone and the Boylan Girls' Basketball team are supporting, through fundraising and prayer, the Poor Clares Colettine Nuns of the local Corpus Christi Monastery. Our students are filling out prayer cards to thank them for their devotion to Jesus. If you would like to make a donation, please send it to the school office in an envelope marked Poor Clares. Here is the link for more information about the Poor Clares: https:// www.rockfordpoorclares.org/

Dec. 3, 2021

Dear Families,

Happy Friday! Time is flying by fast and furiously! Only two weeks remain until our holiday break and the end of the first semester of the school year! Please see below a letter from Mrs. Roby, our music teacher, regarding this year's Christmas program. Enjoy the weekend!

Mary

It's that time of year when we like to share a little of what the students are working on in class and share our love for our Faith with a Christmas Concert. Unfortunately, this year seems to be determined to throw some extra challenges at us.

Out of a deep loving concern for the well-being of our school community we made the difficult decision to not gather in-person for a Christmas concert. Gathering in a large crush of people (and the church has been quite full at past concerts) while so many of our families are facing health challenges seems needlessly irresponsible.

However, our students still have joy to share. To that end, we are working to put together a smaller video recorded Christmas performance for our school families. The "movie" will be posted on YouTube as an unlisted video, which means that it will not be searchable and will not be in the YouTube suggested videos for anyone. To find the video, you will need the video link. The link will be posted only on SchoolSpeak for families to enjoy.

The recordings will be made in music classes next week. If you would like to send a small Christmas accessory (bow, santa-style hat, etc) for your student to wear during recording, you may do so. Students will be wearing masks in the recordings since singing is an activity for which masks are required to reduce risk of airborne illness transmission.

Should you prefer that your student not be visible in any recordings, please email student names and grades and let us know. Student names will NOT be shared in the recording to safeguard student privacy.

Thank you for all your support for your students and our school!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Roby Music Teacher