



May peace, joy and
the spirit of love
fill your heart,
your home and our world
this Christmas and
throughout the coming year.

Dear Parents,

Hi! It's hard to believe that Christmas is almost here. It seems like just yesterday that we started Sunday School. I hope that your children have been enjoying themselves so far this year. I know the teachers and I are all having a wonderful time teaching and getting to know each child. They are all so special to us.

December is going to be a very special and exciting month. On the first Sunday of this month, December 4th we will have music class and learn about Advent and its importance in waiting and preparing for the birth of Jesus. We will also have a special visitor come and see the children. Here's a hint, the children will also be learning about St. Nicholas in the classroom. Have you guessed yet? If you have please don't let the children know. We'd like to surprise them. I hope they can all be at Sunday School on this day for it's going to be great fun. On December 18th we will be celebrating our very special Christmas Liturgy. The children will be performing a Nativity Play and singing all of the songs that they have been practicing for the past month. All family members are invited. Parents please make every effort to attend. It promises to be a very heartwarming experience. On that day we will have our regularly scheduled class during the 9:30 Mass. The Christmas Liturgy Celebration will immediately follow our regularly scheduled class and be held in St. Mary's School cafeteria beginning at 10:30. Parents please make note that we will be running a Dress Rehearsal until 10:20 on that day so the Cafeteria Doors will be Closed To Visitors until then. All doors will open at 10:20 to begin seating. Also we are asking that each attending family bring two dozen baked or store bought cookies to contribute to the refreshments that we will be having on that day. Thanks in advance for your consideration concerning these matters. The teachers and I will be contacting each family by phone so that we will be able to answer any questions that you might have concerning this very special event. You may also contact me at my home number, which is 635-4531 or by email, which is MsDeeManning@fuse.net.

The words to the two new Christmas songs that will be performed during our liturgy are at the bottom of the page. Please practice these songs at home with your child(ren) to help prepare them for their performance. The teachers and I would greatly appreciate your help.

In closing, all of us at the Sunday School would like to thank everyone who helped donate canned goods, baked goods and other items for our Thanksgiving Liturgy celebration. Your very thoughtful and generous spirit was greatly appreciated by everyone. Also many thanks to our volunteer student helpers who performed the "First Thanksgiving" play for the children on that day. Great job everyone! We will all carry cherished memories in our hearts of the children's smiling faces and the wonderful celebration of giving thanks to God for all of our blessings. Finally, on behalf of the teachers, co-teachers, volunteers, coordinators and myself have a very merry and blessed holiday season.

God bless to all,

Denise Manning

Summary of Agenda,

Dec. 4th - St. Nick's Day

Dec. 11th - Nativity Play Practice

Dec. 18th - Christmas Liturgy Celebration

Dec. 25th - Merry Christmas! (No School)

Jan. 8th - Sunday School classes resume

Christmas Candle

Christmas Candle burning bright!

Flicker, flicker, flicker, flicker flame

Jesus is our light, flicker, flicker, flicker flame

We Wish You a Merry Christmas

We wish you a merry Christmas,

We wish you a merry Christmas,

We wish you a merry Christmas,

And a happy New Year.