



ST. ELIZABETH SETON

Catholic Elementary/Junior High School

The season of Advent is upon us! *The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.'* ~Luke 1: 30-33~

Imagine how overwhelmed Mary felt when she learned that she was going to be the Mother of God, that she was to bring His gift of love of humanity to life on Earth. How does one prepare for such an incredible gift? This is at the heart of our Advent journey. God is sending us the amazing gift of salvation to be found in Jesus, whose kingdom has no end. In these upcoming weeks, let us prepare our hearts, our homes, and our lives to receive Him.

This Sunday, December 3rd, marks the start of Advent. It is a time when we remind ourselves that God comes to awaken our hope and be our light. During this special season of "Peace on Earth" let us all strive to achieve the Spirit of Christmas by giving the lasting gift of peace to others, to ourselves, and especially to the members of our family.

We have had a busy and fun filled first term of school with the many student activities, clubs, and sports all with the goal of increased student engagement and health and wellness. We continue to celebrate the great attendance and active engagement of our parent community during school events, fieldtrips, and school council meetings. A reminder that all parents are welcome at our school council meetings especially with the hope of a new park on the horizon.

On November 30th, we had a wonderful turn out during our Demonstration of Learning afternoon and evening. It was fantastic to see all the smiling faces of our students as they shared with their parents the concepts and skills acquired during the first term of learning. It was especially nice to hear of the relationships of collaboration being built between our staff and students.

We would like to take this opportunity to commend and express our appreciation as well as encourage parents to continue to actively participate, contribute and share their feedback in the upcoming district surveys during the year, as your feedback is vital and very important to us. Our appreciation also goes out to our dedicated staff and students as collaboratively they continue our work towards ongoing improvement in the areas of our school community.

On behalf of the staff of St. Elizabeth Seton School, we wish each of our families a blessed Christmas holiday filled with peace, love, joy, and happiness in small numbers for all to stay safe.

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