

December 17, 2018

Dear St. Germaine families,

What a wonderful performance Friday by our 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders! The band, full – group vocals and the variety of entertainment...impressive and very much enjoyed! As we begin our third week of Advent, make time to “watch and wait,” preparing for the celebration of the birth of our Lord Jesus.

- **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!
- **Student Council’s** Christmas Raffle continues today; tickets will be sold at lunch time. Student Council is also hosting a free Christmas themed dress down day and free football toss game tomorrow, December 18, where raffle winners will be announced.
- Students in grades 4 – 8 are invited to **audition for You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown** on January 3, sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0f48afaa28a6fb6-youre>, if time slots fill, contact Mrs. Taylor at 586.771.1750 ext. 104 or [staylor@olohscs.org](mailto:staylor@olohscs.org)
- While many of our school families are members of neighboring parishes, Our Lady of Hope Parish community is who financially supports our school. Please consider directing your **Christmas/End of year offering** to the Catholic Services Appeal. Since we met our target goal, all additional funds come directly back to Our Lady of Hope Parish, BUT it must reach the CSA office by December 28 or online at <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/4221?obold=24481&locked=true>
- **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!**
- Our “eating out” location this week Tuesday is at **Ram’s Horn at 9 Mile/Jefferson 4 – 8 pm.**
- Please send **pictures for the 2018 – 2019 yearbook** to [lgreen@stgermaine.org](mailto:lgreen@stgermaine.org). Sporting events, birthday parties, field trips etc. are all great photo opportunities for our yearbook!
- **Tuition accounts** must be ***paid in full by January 15***; **Service hour** sheets are due by **January 31.**
- **SAVE THE DATES:** St. Germaine's 8th Grade is hosting a **15-Hour Crop on Saturday, January 26** from 9 am to Midnight AND our annual **Men’s Club bowling event is Friday, February 1<sup>st</sup>!**
- **SAVE THE DATE:** Our **Silent Auction Dinner Dance date is Saturday, March 16, 2019** at the newly renovated Barrister Gardens located on Harper in St. Clair Shores! Start inviting friends, family, co-workers to attend this 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 donation 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 19 so all staff may attend our Christmas luncheon.**

Here’s a look at our short week ahead:

Monday, December 17	Preschool Christmas program in the gym at 10:30 am, Prayer service 2:30pm
Tuesday, December 18	Preschool Christmas program 10 am, Christmas themed dress down day (free) Student Council’s football toss game and raffle winners announced 2:30 pm Ram’s Horn Night 4 – 8 pm
Wednesday, December 19	Half day of school, Mass at 8:30 am grades K – 8, Kindergarten Christmas program 10:45 am in the gym, school/parish faculty/staff luncheon at Noon,

*WARM WISHES TO ALL FOR A BLESSED ADVENT/CHRISTMAS SEASON AND A SAFE, HEALTHY START TO OUR NEW YEAR, 2019! SCHOOL RESUMES WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2*

**Our Lady of Hope Parish Christmas Mass schedule: Christmas Eve 4 pm (greet with Mrs. Esler) and 6 pm, Christmas Day 8:30, 10:30 (greet with Miss Rachelle) am and 12:30 pm (greet with Mrs. Maciejewski)**

Advent Peace and Blessings,  
Mrs. DeGrez

Saint Germaine Catholic School