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Hello Saint Kateri families,

We light a second purple candle on the second Sunday of Advent to represent the hope of Christ coming to the world.

Saint Kateri School students continue to spread Saint Kateri School LOVE! Our manger is filling up with straw from student kindness and our tree is covered with hearts from all the items our families have donated to the Christmas Tea. We are truly being the hands of Christ as we serve others in our school and community.

I must share the news that Mrs. Ritz, our Math AIS teacher has made the hard decision to retire from her teaching position and will not be returning after Christmas Break. Mrs. Ritz has served catholic schools in a variety of roles at multiple schools for many years ~ exactly how many she is not telling! Saint Kateri School would like to congratulate her and may God bless her as she embarks on this new adventure. She assures us she will be back to visit and of course to volunteer!

Last week we held our Holiday Gift Shop and it was such a success. The volunteers worked hard to help the children pick out just the right gift for their family members. Mrs. Bradshaw and Mrs. Coffey want to thank all the parents, grandparents and volunteers for making the Holiday Gift Shop such a success. When I was learning about this event at Saint Kateri School, I asked Mrs. Bradshaw how long she had been involved. Her answer was, "I am not sure ~ I don't remember a time that I didn't do it!" Mrs. Bradshaw and Mrs. Coffey are shining examples of the dedication of our volunteers for the students of Saint Kateri School. They are already shopping for next year's items.

Tomorrow we will be having our Christmas Concert. The children have been practicing all week in church and are excited to perform for their families. Preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be performing at the 1:15pm concert. For this performance the Preschooler students are asked to wear their dressy Christmas attire and the children in K-5 are to dress down in Christmas red and green. The K-5 will be performing at the night performance at 7:00pm and this is their chance to wear their dressy Christmas attire.

Such a busy and beautifully special time of year ~ take the time to take it all in with your little ones.

God bless!

Terri L Morgan  
Principal

We are praying for the following families this week:

- Hensley
- Forsyth
- English
- Dusseault
- Cannito
- Budi
- Graziano-Logins
- Jones
- Kingsley
- Levchuk
- Munoz
- O'Brien
- Scarlata
- Striffolino
- Michaels

### Mark Your Calendars:

2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent	12/9
Christmas Concert	
• Preschool – 5 <sup>th</sup> grade @ 1:15pm	12/13
• K – 5 <sup>th</sup> grade @ 7:00pm	12/13
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent	12/16
Christmas Tea 1:00-2:00pm	12/19
Advent Prayer Service @ 9:15am	12/21
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent	12/23
<b>Christmas Break – No School</b>	<b>12/24-1/1</b>
School Reopens	1/2
Spirit Day	1/2
Parent's Association	1/7
Preschool Parent-Teacher Conferences	1/15, 1/16
• No School for Preschool only	
• K-5 in session	
Kindergarten Information Night @ 6:30pm	1/17
Peace Prayer Service	1/18
No School-Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1/21
Preschool Information Night @ 6:30pm	1/22
Snowball Dance	1/25

