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through multiage education.  
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**Most Holy Redeemer**  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



**MHRS Parents -- Tis the Season!**

"Oh, good St. Nicholas,  
you who are the joy of children,  
put in my heart the spirit of childhood,  
which the Gospel speaks, and teach me to sow happiness around me."  
-from "A Prayer to St. Nicholas of Myra"

This coming Monday, December 6, is, of course, the feast of St. Nicholas, and MHRS will mark the day with classroom visits from St. Nick. Two other holiday events you will definitely want to remember are the Old Fashioned Christmas slated for December 14 and the Christmas program on December 21. As a Catholic school, we are especially pleased that we have the freedom to observe Advent and Christmas fully and joyfully as Christian seasons. St. Nick's visit and the other events allow us to remind students that the tradition of sharing gifts is rooted in the Godly virtues of generosity and charity--messages that we hope offset the materialism that can sometimes cheapen the holiday season. Have a good week!

**Rapid Home Testing for COVID - 19**

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDE) has supplied MHRS a limited supply of rapid COVID-19 tests to send home with parents to administer to their child. If you would like a test for your child, please contact the school office.



**D.A.R.E. Graduation - Dec. 8**

DARE graduation for 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents will be Wednesday, December 8, at 10:30 a.m. The D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program is a police officer-led series of classroom lessons that teaches children from kindergarten through 12th grade how to resist peer pressure and live productive drug and violence-free lives.

**MHRS's "Old Fashioned Christmas" - Dec. 14**

MHRS is sponsoring an Old Fashioned Christmas on Tuesday, Dec. 14, from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Join us for an evening of creating Christmas cards, Christmas tree ornaments and, of course, decorating Christmas cookies. You will also get to keep the ornaments.

Face painting, food, and beverages also will be available at no cost. Just return the form to your classroom teacher to let us know how many are going to attend. All MHRS families are encouraged to attend. Students will need to be accompanied by an adult.

If you happen to know of a family that would be interested in attending this event and who have school-aged children that you feel would be interested in attending MHRS, please let the school know and we will send them a special invitation.



**Hibernation Celebration - Saturday, February 5, 2022.**



Tickets for the Hibernation Celebration have been sent home. MHRS is asking each family to sell at least 4 tickets to this event. If you would like more tickets, please call the school. As always, please feel free to email or call me with any thoughts or concerns.

Thank you -

Mr. Vondracek, Principal -  
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Please have your child(ren) dressed for the colder weather. A warm coat, hat and gloves/mittens are a must and boots, along with snow pants, when there is any snow. Unless it is raining or the temperature/wind chill is below zero, students go outside for recess each day. Band students also should be dressed appropriately for the walk to & from TCU Middle School.

Visit our [FACEBOOK](#) (Click) on our page for up-to-date photos of our special events.

**Calendar:**

- Note: All School Mass time is 8:30 a.m.**
- Dec. 2**—Montgomery Torchlight Parade
- Dec. 3**—All School Mass, Staff, First Week of Advent
- Dec. 4**—Happy Birthday to Mrs. Pesta, School Administrator
- Dec. 6**—Feast Day of St. Nicholas
- Dec. 8**—All School Mass, Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Gr. 5,6
- Dec. 8**—DARE Graduation, 10:30 a.m., Gr. 6,7
- Dec. 8**—Early Out (12:45 p.m.)
- Dec. 10**—Happy Birthday to Ms. Wood, P.E., Science & STEM, Math

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