

DECEMBER NEWS

November 29, 2023

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe we are preparing for Christmas. December is busy month; I hope you are able to find time for peace filled waiting and Advent stillness. Perhaps just five minutes a day to gather around the Advent Wreath or Advent Calendar to set the tone for your joyful anticipation of Christmas. Let us remember to "Keep Christ in Christmas."

Advent is an especially lovely season and we can make great use of it. With the beginning of the season of Advent, we begin a new liturgical year. Advent comes from the Latin word for an "arrival" or a "coming". Advent means that the Lord is coming. Jesus Christ, our brother in our humanity and our God in His divinity is about to arrive. But He comes to us in different ways. First, Jesus came to us at a specific point in history at Bethlehem over 2000 years ago. But in the Church's great feast of Christmas, He mystically comes again. Second, the Lord, Alpha and Omega, will come to judge the living and the dead in the Second Coming. Third, the Redeemer comes to us in grace. He speaks to us in our consciences; he comes to us in the Eucharist and in the Word of God proclaimed. He arrives in the person of the beggar, the needy, the suffering, and the oppressed. We must be ready to receive and welcome Him when He comes, however He comes.

The First Trimester ends on Friday. Report Cards will be on Monday, December 11th. Please read the attached letter.

A list of important dates is attached. These dates will also posted on our website.

May the joy and expectation of this Advent Season be yours. Our prayer is that the Christ Child will bring peace to your heart and to your home. Let us pray for each other during this Holy Season.

Gratefully,
Sister Helen

