



## Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School

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December 15, 2019

### Principal and Assistant Principal's Corner

Dear OLPH Families,

We hope that everyone enjoyed all that of the events from last week - from the school Mass celebrated by the Archbishop Gustavo and then the Archbishop spending time with the 8th Graders, the Saint Bowl, the Wildcat Worship Team and the Recorder section performing at the City of Selma, to the Christmas Music program which included again the Wildcat Worship Team and the Recorder section as well as the Handbell ensemble, and the Kindergarten and 2nd Graders, to the chess tournament on Saturday.

In this week's Gospel from Matthew, we read about John the Baptist, who, is imprisoned for speaking out against Herod for his marriage. Perhaps John the Baptist is realizing Fr. Wrex Woolnough words that "Prophets rarely get to see the full effect of what they proclaim." In that John was different than Jesus in how he preached, was John trying to understand how Jesus was the Messiah? Was it that John the Baptist, and others were expecting more of a king like David? We can think of all this on *Guadete Sunday*, or *Rejoice*, and is represented by the lighting the pink candle on the Advent wreath, representing joy.

Our winter sports teams, both for the school and CYO, all continue to do well in their respective seasons.

We hope that all have a wonderful week. As a reminder, Friday is a Noon Dismissal.

On behalf of the entire OLPH Staff & Faculty, we wish everyone all the best for Christmas and the new year.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help...Pray For Us.

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### Upcoming Events:

- Sunday, Dec. 15: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent
- Tuesday, Dec. 17: WWT @ 3:45
- Tuesday, Dec. 17: Spirit Night at Baskin Robbins
- Wednesday, Dec. 18: Mass @ 8:30
- Wednesday, Dec. 18: "I" awards after Mass
- Wednesday, Dec. 18: School Council Meeting 7:00 pm in the cafeteria
- Thursday, Dec. 19: Cyber Patriots Meeting 7:00 a.m.
- Thursday, Dec. 19: CDC Christmas Program 10 am at the church
- Thursday, Dec. 19: 4<sup>th</sup> grade field trip-Tobin Center
- Friday-Wear your Christmas shirt
- Friday, Dec. 20: Noon Dismissal (CDC open until 6:00)
- Friday, Dec. 20: 9 am CDC Christmas parties
- Friday, Dec. 20: 11 am K-8<sup>th</sup> parties
- Friday, Dec. 20: 11 am-8<sup>th</sup> grade luncheon

### St. Vincent DePaul Donations

Bring these items on these dates and wear jeans with your OLPH spirit shirt!

- December 20-Box of Baking Mix (40 oz)



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### News from the CDC

Dear Parents,

The week of our Christmas Program is finally here! Our program will be held on Thursday, December 19th at 10am in the Church. Please dress your child in holiday attire following dress code guidelines. Extra order forms for DVDs are available with Ms. Kennedy at the CDC front office and will be in the Church the day of the program.

Thank you for all of your donations for the Toy Drive for Adoption Priorities. A lot of children will be very happy this Christmas with your generous donations.

Our K3 and K4 Classroom Christmas Parties will be held on Friday, December 20th at 9am. The cafeteria is closed on this day so children who stay past 11:15am must bring a sack lunch and drink.

Remember to take your Catholic Life tickets to your family gatherings over the holidays! All tickets are due January 10th. If you need more tickets please see Ms. Kennedy or the school office.

The Faculty and Staff of the CDC wish you and your family a safe and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Thank you for sharing your children with us.

God Bless,  
Stephanie Dunne, Director

### After School Care Activities in the CDC

\*Registration/information is available at the CDC or at <http://www.teamsoftomorrow.com/> for TOT and <http://www.webbydancecompany.com/state/texas/selma/> for Webby Dance

- Mondays - Art (3:45p, ages 6+, Art Room in the Admin Building)
- Tuesdays - TOT (2:30p, PK, CDC Bldg.)
- Wednesday - Dance (2:45p PK & 3:45p, Kinder+, CDC Bldg.)
- Wednesdays - Orchestra - Guitar/Violin (3:30p, Grades K-8, Music room in Admin Building)
- Fridays - Chess (3:45p, 1st-8th grade, Art room in the Admin Building)

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Join Us at

**Baskin Robbins**

Forum Shopping Center  
8250 Agora Pkwy, Selma

for

**OLPH**

**Spirit Nights**

**Tuesday, 17 December 2019**

**3:30-8:30 pm**

**Put your receipt in the  
OLPH Box!**

20% of our sales will be given back to OLPH Catholic School!

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### Library News:

Everyone is invited to participate in a Winter Break Reading Challenge. Each student will get a paper hot chocolate mug to decorate and a page of marshmallows with different reading challenges. Each marshmallow represents 20 minutes of reading. Return the completed reading log January 7, 2020 for a treat.

*Toy Drive  
for  
Adoptions  
Priorities  
was a huge*



*A visit  
from  
Santa*



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## Journalism Student Articles

### The ELf On The Shelf

By: Ryan Drever

Now we all know when you were or if you are you've at least heard of The Elf on The Shelf. But if you've been living under a rock and don't know what it is it is an adorable little elf doll who supposedly goes to the north pole every night to report to Santa on how you've been during the day. One rule is you can't touch them or they will lose their magic. They appear in your house on December 1st and leave on Christmas. They are a great gift for anyone who wants to add a little joy to their cold December mornings



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# \*Christmas\*

Written by: Jaslyn Al-Saigh and Laci Reifenberg

Yup, you know it Christmas is almost here! A wonderful time to spend with family and friends, but what would you do if you were lonely? So, I'm here to give you some things to do during Christmas if you are lonely!

Here are some things:

1. Bake cookies and eat them all
2. Watch your favorite christmas movies
3. Get a pet for a day (go to the animal shelter)
4. Cook a feast or order one
5. Take lots of naps
6. Go shopping and buy yourself gifts
7. Open presents whenever you want
8. Go get fro-yo
9. Decorate
10. Volunteer

There is a bunch of other things that you could do but I just listed a few. I hope you have a good Christmas!



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# Bringing in the 2020 New Year!!!

BY: Mallory, Claire, Keira

Say your goodbyes to 2019 and say hello to 2020!!! Now that's it's 2020 you need your New Year's Resolution.

### Now here's some ideas for kids:

- you can help around the house
- you can work extra hard at school
- try to get along with others

### Now here's some ideas for adults:

- Try to work out once a day
- Try to eat healthy
- Try to not spend money on things you want but on things you need

We hope we've helped you get an idea for what you want your New Year's resolution to be.



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