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NEWSLETTER



DECEMBER EVENTS

- **ADVENT MASS** Tuesday, December 12th @ 10:00am
- **CHRISTMAS CONCERT** Tuesday, December 19 (doors open @ 6:30)
Choir, ECS English, 1B, 1I, 2S, 2H, 3R, 3VE, 4DS, 4T
- **CHRISTMAS CONCERT** Wednesday, December 20 (doors open @ 6:30)
Band, ECS French, 1P, 2L, 3V, 4R, 5C, 5B, 5M, 6L, 6G, 6N
- **Rec Swims** December 11th, 2H 2S 6L 5B & 14th, 4R, 3VE, 4DS, 4T
- **Christmas Spirit Days** 18-Red/Green/White Day, 19-Christmas Character Day, 20-Ugly Sweater Day, 21-Pajama Day



MESSAGE FROM THE ADMIN

Advent is one of our favorite times of year as we are awaiting the coming of our Savior, this Christmas season. As we "wait in joyful hope" Good Shepherd will be collecting loonies and toonies to support I love First People campaign. Visit <https://www.ilovefirstpeoples.ca/shoebox-gifts> for more information. In addition, check out our Random Acts of Kindness wall and see how you can make a difference in someone's day.

Lastly, our school council meeting will be on December 6th this month at 7pm. I will be presenting Good Shepherd's Annual Results and Education Plan report. This report includes our schools Provincial Achievement Test scores and Accountability Pillar Survey results from last school year, as well as our school goals and strategies for the current school year. I look forward to seeing you there.

Merry Christmas to you and your families!

God Bless,

Tina McDonald, Terry Hogan, and Mike Pickles

Luke 1:14-17 - "He will be a joy and delight to you, and many will rejoice because of his birth, for he will be great in the sight of the Lord..."



SCHOOL COUNCIL

We would like to take this time to wish all of our Good Shepherd Families a very **Merry Christmas** and a **Happy, Healthy, Blessed New Year!**



Thank you to the parents that have come to help out with the sorting and delivering of our hot lunches. Your help getting these to the students and staff is much appreciated.

NEXT MEETING
December 6th @ 7:00pm

STUDENT COUNCIL



CHRISTMAS SPIRIT WEEK



18th—Red, Green and White Day

19th—Christmas Character Day, dress up as Santa, an elf or reindeer, etc.

20th—Ugly Sweater Day



21st—PJ Day



ANNOUNCEMENTS



We will be accepting food bank donations as well as a silver collection at both nights of our Christmas concert.



BUS LANE: Dear Parents, it has come to my attention from the Bus Garage that we have many parents that are using our bus loop during the posted hours. Please do not access the bus loop from 8-9 am and 3-4pm. This will help and move the flow of pick up and drop off. Your support in this is very much appreciated. In addition, when buses are exiting the loop, could you please give them right of way as other buses are trying to offload or pick up.

Thank you

Mrs. Rotenburger and the 3R students would like to thank Mrs. Bergen and Mrs. Wollis for volunteering their time to walk us to the pool for swimming lessons. Thank You!



VOLUNTEERS needed. We are looking for volunteers to make a simple set for the Christmas play. We would also love help with set up after school on Friday, December 15. Please call or email cara.boucher@hfcrd.ab.ca if you can help!

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OLOP NEWS

Advent Reconciliation Schedule:

Glenmary School - Thursday, December 7, starting at 9:15am to Noon.

Good Shepherd School - Friday, December 8, starting at 9:30am to Noon.

Our Lady of Peace Church - Friday, December 15, from 11:00a.m. to 7:00pm; Mass follows at 7:00pm.

2018 Sacramental Preparation

In our Archdiocese, the sacraments **First Reconciliation**, **First Eucharist** and **Confirmation** are celebrated at the grade 2, grade 3 and Grade 6 levels. Preparation takes place at the school and church over several sessions. If your child is in any of these grades, registration letters will be sent home in the new year. If your child has missed any of the sacraments, and would like to receive them please contact Catherine at (624-0916) or Our Lady of Peace Parish office (624-2635). Your baptized child needs to have received the sacrament of First Reconciliation before First Eucharist. The schedule is as follows:

- **First Reconciliation:** January 16 to February 23
- **Confirmation:** March 13 to April 29
- **First Eucharist:** April 18 to May 27

Friday, December 8

*Parish Feast Day - All welcome!
Full Mass, music, cake and coffee.*

CHRISTMAS SERVICES:

December 24 – Christmas Eve

5:00 pm Children's Mass

7:30 pm Evening Mass

12:00 pm Midnight Mass

December 25 – Christmas Day

Mass at 11:00 am

December 31 – New Year's Eve

Thanksgiving Mass at 7:30 pm

January 1, 2018 – New Year

Feast of Mary the Mother of God

Mass at 11:00 am



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Office Hours: Monday through Friday 8:30am - 12:00; 1- 4:30pm

*****NOTE: Office is CLOSED December 25 to January 1, inclusive.*****

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Metis Week Activities

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Please Donate!!



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**Last years event was such a huge success we've
decided to do it again!**

In preparation for our **Family Literacy Day** celebration on **January 26th 2018**, **Good Shepherd School** is looking for donations of gently used puzzles, games, and books for all ages.

Please drop off your items to the school **starting now and until January 25**. Your donation is greatly appreciated and vital in making this day a huge success.



Thank you from the Good Shepherd School Literacy Day committee!

Family Literacy Day® is a national awareness initiative created by ABC Life Literacy Canada in 1999 and held annually on January 27 to raise awareness of the importance of reading and engaging in other literacy-related activities as a family. Taking time every day to read or do a learning activity with children is crucial to a child's development, improving a child's literacy skills dramatically, and can help a parent improve their skills as well.

Please go to <http://abclifeliteracy.ca/> to learn more!

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December 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
					1	2	
3	4 <i>Admin</i>	5 <i>Panago</i>	6 <i>4DS</i>	7 <i>2H</i>	8 <i>3V</i>	9	
10	11 <i>Admin</i>	12 <i>No Assembly</i>	13 <i>1B</i>	14 <i>3R</i>	15 <i>6L</i>	16	
	Res. Swims 2H 2S 6L 5B	Subway Advent Mass 10am		Rec Swims 4R 3VE 4DS 4T			
17	18 <i>Admin</i>	19 <i>1P</i>	20 <i>6G</i>	21 <i>5C</i>	22	23	
	Red/Green/White Day	Boston Pizza Christmas Character Day Christmas Concert	Ugly Sweater Day Christmas Concert	Pajama Day	NO SCHOOL		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
		Christmas Break					Keep Christ in Christmas! Have a blessed holiday!
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