



# Christmas Concert & Nativity

*Grades 1—8*

Wednesday, December 20th



***Grades 1, 3, 5, & 7—Wear Green!***

***Grades 2, 4, 6, - Wear Red!***

See page 3 for more information!

**Progress Reports  
will be sent home  
on Thursday,  
December 21st**



**Pre—K 3 and K  
Christmas Gathering  
1:00pm  
Thursday, December  
21st  
Auditorium**

**St. Barnabas' Got Talent  
Auditions**

**Tuesday, December 19th  
Grades 6—8  
4:15pm**



**Pre—K 4  
Concert**

**Thursday, December 21st  
1:45pm  
Auditorium**

**Christmas Dress Down Day  
December 21st  
\$3  
(Wear Red and Green)**



**The Third Week  
of Advent—The  
Rejoice Candle**

Please see page two for a short Advent reflection.

# The Third Week of Advent

## The Gaudete Candle



Our week begins with “Gaudete Sunday.” *Gaudete* means “rejoice” in Latin. It comes from the first word of the Entrance antiphon on Sunday. The spirit of joy that begins this week comes from the words of Paul, “The Lord is near.” This joyful spirit is marked by the third candle of our Advent wreath, which is rose colored, and the rose colored vestments often used at the Eucharist.

*Preparing our Hearts and asking for Grace*

We prepare this week by feeling the joy. We move through this week feeling a part of the waiting world that rejoices because our longing has prepared us to believe the reign of God is close at hand. And so we consciously ask:

*Prepare our hearts  
and remove the sadness  
that hinders us from feeling  
the joy and hope  
which his presence  
will bestow.*

Each day this week, we will continue to go through our everyday life, but we will experience the difference our faith can bring to it. We are confident that the grace we ask for will be given us. We will encounter sin - in our own hearts and in our experience of the sin of the world. We can pause in those moments, and feel the joy of the words,

“You are to name him Jesus,  
because he will save his people  
from their sins.” *Matthew 1:21*

*Come, Lord Jesus. Come and visit your people.  
We await your coming. Come, O Lord.*

# *St. Barnabas School Proudly Presents*



An evening of  
Christmas Music  
and  
Nativity Presentation

**Wednesday, December 20, 2017**

6:00pm— Guitar Students Demo  
6:10pm— Piano Students Demo  
6:20pm— Band Students Demo  
6:30pm— Christmas Concert

## **Auditorium**

Following the Concert and Nativity, please join us in  
the cafeteria for some Christmas Cookies  
and Hot Chocolate.

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Donations of light refreshments are more than  
welcome and can be brought to the school office.