



Dear Nativity Families:

Welcome Back! We pray that your family enjoyed a blessed Thanksgiving break. This week, our 8th Grade class served others at Operation Christmas Child by packing boxes of gifts to send overseas. On Thursday, all 3rd through 8th Grade students gathered for the Sacrament of Reconciliation to prepare their hearts and minds for the Advent season. Please join us next week for Advent events. Starting on Monday at 9:45 a.m. we will have an Advent Service and a Nativity band concert at the MOA at 1 p.m. On Thursday please come to our regular school Mass at 9:45 a.m. and on Friday Adoration will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. with classes going throughout the day for prayer.

NATIVITY'S IN THE SPOTLIGHT! Follow us on social media and in the news.

- **CSCOE Photos & Article:** Nativity of Mary will be featuring in next month's CSCOE Magazine. They came and took photos. Watch for this upcoming publication.
- **Nativity Marketing Video:** Nativity of Mary School marketing committee has coordinated the production of a marketing video to share the story of the Nativity difference. We hope to have a short video out in late January 2019.

NATIVITY OF MARY 52 CLUB RAFFLE WAS SENT HOME! This is our first all-school fundraiser of the year. As a family with TADS tuition, you already bought out of this fundraiser; however, the more tickets you sell now, the more tuition credit you will earn for 2019-20!

- 1) **Don't want to buy any additional tickets?** Fill out the ones that you've received in your packet to enter the drawing (You've already paid for these through TADS.)
- 2) **Want to sell more?** Fill out the tickets AND send in a check with your order form for any number of additional tickets. **THE MORE YOU SELL, THE MORE YOU EARN** (A maximum of \$750 can be earned.)

NATIVITY OF MARY 3rd ANNUAL APPEAL: Nativity of Mary School has invited parishioners and Nativity supporters to contribute to our Annual Fund. This is our third year reaching out for support. If your family, or extended family, would like to make a donation to the school, you may donate by sending a check to the school office, mailing a donation to 9901 E Bloomington Freeway, Bloomington, MN 54520 or donate online at: ([DONATE BY CLICKING HERE](#)). To date we have raised \$34,400 toward a goal of \$85,00 by June 2019.



JOIN US FOR THE PTO - HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE – DECEMBER 8, 2018 (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.): Bring your friends and plan to do your Christmas shopping! Santa will be here for your family Christmas photos. **DON'T MISS THIS EVENT!**



MISSION: Nativity of Mary Catholic School provides a Catholic education that fosters academic excellence and spiritual growth while preparing students to become responsible citizens in a global society.

NOV. 29: NEWSLETTER

[Can't find your paper copy?](#)

[Click here for the entire newsletter and attachments on our website.](#)

NOV. 30: NO BUS – This is a parent drive day!

DEC. 3:

- 9:45 a.m. Advent Service
- 1 p.m. Nativity Band Students at MOA!

DEC. 5: St. Nicholas visits

DEC. 6: Mass at 9:45 a.m.

DEC. 7: Spirit Wear Day!

DEC. 8:

- Holiday Boutique (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)
- Immaculate Conception Masses at Nativity

DEC. 12: Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass 9:45 a.m.

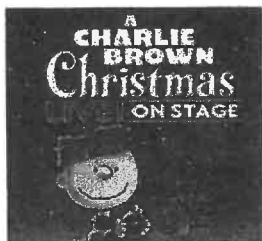
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6th GRADE CHRISTMAS PLAY: Save the Date – Wednesday, December 19th is the 6th Grade Christmas Play, "A Charlie Brown Christmas"! All family and friends are welcome to come! Show times are at 10:15 am and 1:30 pm in the Nativity Gathering Space.



LUNCH UPDATES: Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwiches will end: Due to changes and requirements, we will not be able to continue offering the Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwiches as an alternate meal. Please note this for the remaining November Lunch Calendar.

Do you know how to put money into your child's lunch account? Go to Educate.com and log in. Forgot your login? Call the school office or email Wanda Hagerty and she will resend an email for you to create a new password.

A La Carte Tickets: For only .75, they can pick up an extra item during the lunch period. Tickets may be purchased in the morning.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS' CENTER OF EXCELLENCE (CSCOE): Do you dream of going into acting? Do you have a great voice? Email Melissa Hamilton to let her know if you are interested in performing at a spring Talent Show at: melissahamilton@cscoe-mn.org Also, if you loved the student Mass and this impacted you, write a letter to CSCOE and drop it off at the office so that we can share it with CSCOE.

PRESCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2019-20: Students who will be four next fall and in their last year of preschool, are invited to apply for scholarships.
Apply: <https://www.grantinterface.com/User/Register?urlkey=earlychildhood>

LOOKING FOR HOST FAMILIES! Would you consider hosting a student from Korea for the Spring semester? Your family receives funds when you host a student. They attend school here at Nativity. Families who have hosted find that their hearts are changed forever! Consider hosting and call to learn more at KOAM – 651.300.2380 or 800.521.6640.

KUDOS:

- **52 Club:** Lisa Hegard (11/18) & Margaret Brandt (11/25) - \$100 winners!

REMINDERS:

- **NOV. 30: NO BUSES TODAY!** Please plan to drop off your children and pick them up, there is no Bloomington buses all day.
- **APPARELNOW:** Has both Nativity of Mary Church and School logos! Visit www.apparelnow.com and use the "Find a Store" box to enter "Nativity of Mary." (Proceeds this year will benefit Lynn Robertson)
- **EDUCATIONAL OUTFITTERS:** Proceeds will benefit Lynn Robertson, order at: <http://www.educationaloutfitters.com/MN>
- **BLOOMINGTON CUSTOM EMBROIDARY:** Various spirit wear items are available and will also support Lynn Robertson. You may order at: <http://www.4alarmclothing.com/Nativity.html>



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**HIGHER POWERED
 LEARNING PROGRAM
 at NATIVITY**

Nativity of Mary School is partnering with the University of Notre Dame in a three year grant through their Higher Powered Learning Program. Their staff is working directly with our teachers, four this year, but all of our teachers over the next three years, to implement a personalized learning program for each child – referred to as Blended Learning.

What are our BLAST teachers doing now? Nov. 26-30 teachers returned from Thanksgiving break and have continued to implement Blended Learning strategies in the classroom by evaluating student data and assisting students in setting personal goals each week.

All Nativity Teachers? All Nativity teachers continue to read their Growth Mindset books and are beginning the December focus – Equity and Equality.

Blessings – Mindy Reeder, PRINCIPAL mreeder@nativitybloomington.org

Upcoming
**COMMUNITY
 EVENTS**

**JANUARY 12, 2019
 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
 Nativity of Mary Catholic Church**

*Charism
 Discernment
 Retreat*

Cost: \$10, includes lunch
 Contact: Cynthia Biros for registration
 information at
cbiros@nativitybloomington.org



OUT OF UNIFORM PASSES MAKE GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFTS!!!



The Nativity of Mary 8th grade class will be going to Chicago next spring. As a fundraiser for the trip, you can purchase up to five out of uniform passes per child until December 19, 2018.

- Send in the form below by December 12th to have passes sent home in the communications folder on December 13th or held in the office for you to pick up.
- Passes will also be sold in the office until December 19th.
Out of uniform passes may NOT be used on Mass days.

Use the form below to purchase out of uniform passes. Cost \$5.00 each.

Family Name _____

Total Number of Out of Uniform Passes _____

Cost: \$5.00 each.

Total Amount enclosed: _____

Send home in the communication folder Dec 13th.
(Must be ordered by Dec 12)

Pick up in the Office (by December 19th)



NATIVITY *of* **MARY**
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Time to Get Pictures with

Santa



Santa Claus is Visiting Nativity of Mary School

DATE: Saturday, December 8

SANTA arrives: 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

WHERE:

Nativity of Mary Kindergarten classrooms

Letters to Santa • Christmas Craft
Hot Chocolate & Cookies • Holiday Boutique

Cost is \$5.00. Bring your camera or phone and
TAKE your picture home that day!



BAKE SALE DONATIONS NEEDED

Calling all bakers! On December 8, The Nativity of Mary Holiday Boutique will include a table of baked goods, and we are in need of baked good donations for this event. All baked goods are welcome especially holiday cookies, candies, bars and breads.

Donations can be dropped off at the school office (regular hours) on December 6 or 7 OR at the school gym from 5-7PM on Friday, December 7.

All proceeds support PTO and the community building activities it hosts.

Please email the PTO with any questions at

nompto@nativitybloomington.org

Thank You!



NATIVITY *of* **MARY**
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Holiday Boutique

NATIVITY OF MARY SCHOOL

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 08, 2018

9 AM TO 3 PM

Holiday Boutique Attendees

Katrinka's Treasures

Christine's Traveling Boutique

Department 56

Crows Natural Body Products

Bee Happy Honey

Romanita's Jewelry

Lippy Hippy- Lipsense

Norwex

Inspirations by Karen Faith

Oops-A-Daisy Stationary

Monat

Hometown Woods

J. McCord's Woodworks

Chocolate San Jose

J & K Create MN

Lularoe

The Purple Onion

Raven Song

Beauty Counter

Mugs, ponchos, hanging towels

Rustic Faith Boutique

Salve & Cedo

Mel's Crafts

Usborne Books and More

Windchill Mittens

Kari's Rustic Creations

Color Street

Beverly's Jewels

Trades of Hope

Pampered Chef

Mary Kay

Park Lane Jewelry

Molly's Macrame

Smitten with Mittens

Di's Dangles

Sassy Towels and More

Inspire by JG Jewelry

Tastefully Simple

The Bag Ladies

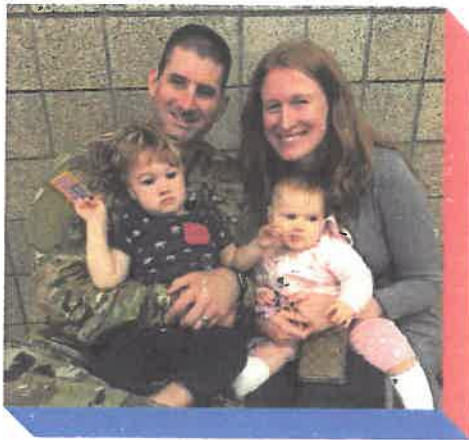
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NATIVITY SCHOOL ADVENT PROJECT

SENDING LOVE AND SUPPLIES OVERSEAS



Grace Farley's Spouse
(Nativity Alum)



US Army Captain Connor Thornton
(Mrs. Thornton's Husband)



US Army Captain Maggie Gregg
(Mrs. Steffens Friend)

Please help support the Nativity community overseas! We need your help collecting items:

Needs:

Coffee (regular- ground)
Drink packets (like crystal light)
Socks

Female Needs:

Female lotion
Face wash
Make-up remover wipes

Snack Stuff:

Pretzels
Granola bars
Rice Krispy bars
Microwave popcorn
Beef Jerky

Holiday Decorations:

New Years, Valentines Day, St. Patrick's Day, Easter

ITEMS NOT NEEDED: baby wipes, Q tips, eye care stuff & candy

Items Due: Dec. 12th

Questions? Please contact
jgrimme@nativityofmarybloomington.org
 Or Call Jill Grimme
 952-881-8160 x 206



NATIVITY of MARY SCHOOL

Revised 10-18-2018

Menu Subject to Change Tuesday 4th K - 8 DECEMBER LUNCH MENU 2018-2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
Chicken Flatbread Gyro WG Flatbread Cucumber Colins Shredded Romaine, Diced Tomatoes Mandarin Oranges Ranch Dressing & Sour Cream PC ALTERNATE: Turkey Club Sub	Beef Tacos Seasoned Black Beans WG Tortilla Shredded Cheddar Cheese Shredded Romaine Fresh Banana Taco Sauce ALTERNATE: Chicken Cheddar Wrap	Popcorn Orange Chicken Fried Vegetable Brown Rice Fresh Broccoli Fresh Melon Ranch Dressing Orange Sauce ALTERNATE: Roast Turkey And Cheese Sandwich	BBQ Chicken Meatballs Potato Wedges Cornbread Grape Tomatoes Applesauce Ketchup ALTERNATE: Chicken Caesar Wrap	Pizza Tossed Spinach Sliced Zucchini Fresh Orange French Dressing French Dressing
French Toast Turkey Sausage Celery Sticks Chilled Tropical Fruit Calypso Crush Veggie Juice Syrup ALTERNATE: Southwest Chicken Wrap	Beef Hot Dog Vegetarian Baked Beans WG Hot Dog Bun Cauliflower Florets Fresh Banana Ketchup Ranch Dressing ALTERNATE: Turkey Club Sub	Chicken Drumstick Loaded Mashed Potatoes Whole Grain Cookie Kale/Romaine Salad Fresh Strawberries Italian Dressing ALTERNATE: Chicken Cheddar Wrap	Turkey Cheeseburger Roasted Red Potatoes Hamburger Bun Shredded Lettuce Fresh Carrots Fresh Grapes Ketchup ALTERNATE: Turkey & Spinach Sandwich	Pizza Fresh Broccoli Fresh Apple Ranch Dressing
Meatball Hoagie Meatballs in Marinara Sauce Hoagie Roll Shredded Mozzarella Cheese Tri Taters & Ketchup Fresh Zucchini & Ranch Chilled Pears ALTERNATE: Turkey Club Sub	Chicken Tacos WG Tortilla Shredded Cheddar Cheese Shredded Romaine Refried Beans Fresh Apple Taco Sauce ALTERNATE: Chicken Cheddar Wrap	Chicken Ala King Creamy Mashed Potato WG Tea Biscuit Fresh Broccoli Fresh Melon Butter PC Ranch Dressing ALTERNATE: Roast Turkey And Cheese Sandwich	Chicken Patty Green Beans WG Hamburger Bun Fresh Carrots Fresh Grapes Ranch Dressing Mayo Packet ALTERNATE: Chicken Caesar Wrap	NO SCHOOL
NO SCHOOL 	NO SCHOOL MERRY CHRISTMAS!	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL
NO SCHOOL HAPPY NEW YEAR!				Lancer Dining Services does not use pork, peanut, tree nut or shellfish ingredients. All items are baked or steamed, mindfully made with fresh or frozen vegetables (never canned), 100% whole grains and a variety of lean meats using heart-healthy oils and low-salt seasonings. Please visit dining.lancertospitality.com for more information.

MILK VARIETY SERVED AT EVERY MEAL, FAT FREE FLAVORED, 1%, OR FAT FREE FLAVORED. ALL BREADS SERVED ARE WHOLE GRAIN.


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 jgarnme@nativityblomington.org
 Or Call Jill Grimme
 952-861-8160 x 206



NATIVITY of MARY SCHOOL

December School Breakfast Grades K - 12 2018-2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Oatmeal Butterscotch Bar String Cheese Strawberry Applesauce 4 oz Juice Cup	Pop Tart Yogurt Cup Fresh Apple	Cinnamon Roll Banana 4oz Apple Juice Cup	Bagel with Strawberry Cream Cheese Applesauce Fresh Orange	Blueberry Muffin Craisins 4 oz Juice Cup
Vanilla Bites Craisins 4oz Juice Cup	Strawberry Nutrigrain Bar String Cheese Strawberry Applesauce Fresh Orange	Strousal Sticks Banana 4oz Juice Cup	Strawberry Yogurt Chex Cheddar Cheese Stick Fresh Apple	Granola Yogurt Cup Applesauce Raisins
RS Cinnamon Toast Crunch String Cheese Craisins 4oz Juice Cup	Lemon Blueberry Bites Yogurt Cup Applesauce Fresh Orange	Apple Bites Banana 4oz Juice Cup	Oatmeal Butterscotch Bar Cheddar Cheese Stick Fresh Apple	NO SCHOOL
NO SCHOOL 	NO SCHOOL MERRY CHRISTMAS!	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL
NO SCHOOL HAPPY NEW YEAR!				

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