



Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School Newsletter, December 20, 2018

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Congratulations!



*Here are the final winners in our
"12 Days of Christmas" Raffle:*

December 12, 2018

Be Prepared:
NATHALIE McLEAN Ticket # 0699

December 13, 2018

Pamper Her Vehicle:
SUE ROCCO Ticket # 1955

December 14, 2018

Date Night:
THERESA & JOE PREGENT Ticket # 0562

December 15, 2018

Around the Yard We Go:
LINDA FORBES Ticket # 1060

December 16, 2018

Relaxed & Connected:
SUSAN McENERY Ticket # 0224

December 17, 2018

When All Through the House:
CHRISTINE BELISLE Ticket # 0164

December 18, 2018

Pamper Yourself:
KIMBERLEE SMITH Ticket # 1120

December 19, 2018

\$300.00 Cash Prize:
PATRICIA PERKINS Ticket # 0464

Skating Party Incentive Draw Winner
CORBETT FAMILY

Christmas Concert T.V. Raffle Winner
MATT JESSUP

SANTA'S WORKSHOP



THANK YOU to our Santa's helpers **CONNIE FOWLER, DIANE McCARTHY, KIM PHILLIPS & DARENE STOREY** for doing all the set-up and to **KELLY BRAUEN, LAURA HETU, BRANDON HICKS, MELANIE HAMILTON-PORTER, LISA MacKENZIE, JAKI McARTHUR, TARA McENERY** and **RENEE WEALCH** for wrapping all the gifts for the children to take home. Thanks also to all who donated gifts for the workshop.



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Mrs. Kirkaldy's and Ms. Knopp's class created gingerbread houses using recycled materials.



Pajama Day! What a nice treat to come to school cozy and comfortable after an amazing Christmas concert the night before! Great School Spirit everyone!

GRADE 8 FUNDRAISER



The Grade 8 students have begun fundraising efforts for the upcoming Graduation Trip for the Spring 2019. Students in Grade 8 will be

selling Little Caesars Pizza Kits (including bread sticks and cookies!) with a delivery date of January 29th, 2019. Anyone interested in purchasing any kits are asked to call the school, as grade 8 students will be canvassing family and friends. We thank all in advance for their support!

Ms. Balemba, Grade 7/8 Teacher



A Huge Thank You to the North Hastings High School Music classes for a fantastic Christmas Concert. There was lots of singing and dancing to great musical numbers.

MERIT AWARD WINNERS



Congratulations to our December Merit Award Winners.

Glimpses of Our Christmas Concert 2018

Thank you to everyone for your generous donations of non-perishable food items and monetary donations for our local food banks. A total of \$900.00 was collected from the Seats for Eats Campaign, our two concerts and a generous donation from the Faith Life Committee. All donations will be shared with the North Hastings Community Cupboard in Bancroft, Maynooth & Area Food Bank, and the Central Food Network, Cardiff



(Grade 3/4 Class)



(Grade 7/8 Class)



(Grade 1/2 Class)



(Grade 2/3 Class)



(Grade 6/7 Class)



(Junior & Senior Kindergarten Classes)



(Grade 4/5 Class)



'Twas the night before Christmas, and all through the town,
St. Joseph was searching, walking up roads and down;
Our Lady was waiting, so meek and so mild,
While Joseph was seeking a place for the Child;

The children were nestled, each snug in their beds,
The grown-ups wouldn't bother, there's no room they said;
When even the innkeeper sent them away,
Joseph was wondering, where they would stay;

He thought of the caves in the side of the hills,
Let's go there said Mary, it's silent and still;
The moon on the breast of the new fallen snow,
Made pathways of light for their tired feet to go;

And there in a cave, in a cradle of hay,
Our Saviour was born on that first Christmas Day!
The Father was watching in heaven above,
He sent for His angels, His couriers of love;

More rapid than eagles God's bright angels came;
Rejoicing and eager as each heard His name;
Come Power, Come Cherubs, Come Virtues, Come
Raphael, Come Thrones and Dominions,
Come Michael and Gabriel;

Now fly to the earth, where My poor people live,
Announce the glad tidings My Son comes to give;
The Shepherds were watching their flocks on this night,
And saw in the heavens an unearthly light;

The Angels assured them, they'd nothing to fear,
It's Christmas they said, the Saviour is here!
They hastened to find Him, and stood at the door,
Till Mary invited them in to adore;

He was swaddled in bands from His head to His feet,
Never did the Shepherds see a baby so sweet!
He spoke not a word, but the shepherds all knew,
He was telling them secrets and blessing them too;

Then softly they left Him, The Babe in the hay,
And rejoiced with great joy on that first Christmas Day;
Mary heard them exclaim as they walked up the hill,
Glory to God in the Highest, Peace to men of good will.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE



Solemnity of Christmas

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| <u>Christmas Eve:</u> | Bancroft | 6:30 p.m. |
| <u>Christmas Day:</u> | Bancroft | 11:15 a.m. |

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| <i>Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God</i> | | |
| <u>New Year's Eve:</u> | Bancroft | 6:30 p.m. |

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| <i>Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord</i> | | |
| <u>January 1st</u> | Bancroft | 11:15 a.m. |



"We wish everyone a Wonderful and Blessed Christmas. We will see you in the New Year on January 7th.