



## **ST. MARTHA'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2022**

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

*St. Martha's School strives to provide students with solid\*  
Catholic moral values, high academic standards,  
and a strong sense of community.*



Dear Parents,

As the Holiday Season approaches, we are overwhelmed by the emphasis on material gifts. Although our custom of giving gifts to those we honor and love is reminiscent of the Magi who brought valuable gifts to the Infant Jesus, we should remember that the perfect gift which Jesus gave the world, the gift of himself, is far more precious than anything of monetary value.

Let us remind our children that they, too, can give the gift of self to family and friends and that such a gift may be far more meaningful than anything found in a store. Letters written to a grandparent, aunt, uncle, etc., can carry loving thoughts more effectively than anything else..

When we give of ourselves to others, we are also giving to Christ. For what better birthday present would He ask? Let us be generous by giving the gift of forgiveness, a smile, a kind word, etc., etc.

**CHRISTMAS PROGRAM** - Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. in **St. Martha Church** – Students Tk-8<sup>th</sup> grade will put on a beautiful Christmas Program, “The Best Christmas Ever”, for you and your family on Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30. This program has been directed by Mrs. Luningning Manahan. Everyone is invited to attend.

It is required for all students to be attending. This will be the Music Grade for the Second Quarter. Students will be drop off in their classrooms. Please be on time. THANK YOU!

**ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES** – Our students, in grades 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>, will have an Advent Reconciliation Penance Service on Friday December 16<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 A.M.

**MINIMUM DAY** – Thursday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> students will be dismissed at 12:00. Please be punctual!

**NO DAY CARE WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THIS DAY.**

**CHRISTMAS VACATION** – Christmas Break will start on December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022. School will resume on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**BEST WISHES** for the Holidays from the Administration, Faculty, and Staff of St. Martha's School.

*May God continue to richly bless us with the grace of our Advent journey.  
“What I have told you, I tell everyone: Keep watch!” (Mark 13:37)*

*Love and prayers,  
Sister Maria Carmen Fernandez-Aldudo*