

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School
Community † Faith † Academics
December 22, 2017

Dear Parents,

As Advent comes to an end, we reflect on how we have prepared our homes and our hearts for the most special guest, our newborn Lord. We move into the liturgical season of Christmas and give thanks to God for the birth of His Son. The seasons of the Church help us to recalibrate the “clocks” of our faith lives. The seasons remind us of the cycles we see in our lives, in nature. We praise God for the new life of Christ, and we pray that winter will bring soft rains to our hills and mountains in nature’s cycle to new life.

We thank God that our school and church are still standing! And while we weep with those who suffered losses as a result of the fire, we also offer up prayers of thanks to the firefighters and first responders who worked unfathomable hours to protect our community. I have been moved by the strength of our school family, as so many who themselves were evacuated, still reached out to see how they might support others. It is with that Lancer spirit that we will clean up and prepare for the New Year!

We need your help! To prepare for the return of our students, we will hold a Parent Work Day on Saturday, December 30 beginning at 8 a.m. Middle school students are also welcome to earn some service hours that day. Bring rags, buckets, and N-95 masks. We will have staff on hand to offer free childcare during the clean up. Please RSVP to Mrs. Simolon by December 26th if you are able to help.

Finally, on behalf of the faculty and staff of Our Lady of Mount Carmel School, I wish you all a wonderful Christmas and many blessings for the New Year.

Warmest regards,
Mrs. Simolon