



# OMPH School Scene

## Love Lights the Way

As we enter the season of Advent, we begin to prepare for the birth of our Lord. This four week journey provides us with opportunities to reach out to others. Our theme for the Advent season is "Love Lights the Way". The children are growing in God's love and learning how to share it with others. God shared the greatest gift when he gave us his only son, Jesus. Jesus lights the path that we follow on



our journey to eternal life.

During Advent, the children experience various signs and symbols that light our journey through this season of waiting. Our

children learn about Jesus' ancestors and the events leading to his birth. Each day an ornament of Jesus' ancestry is placed on the Jesse Tree as it tells the continuing story.

Each Monday afternoon at 2:00 pm our children participate in the Advent Wreath ceremony in church. St. Nicholas will visit the school children in their classes on his feast day December 6th. He will share the story of his own journey and later leave a special treat in the children's shoes. As the Advent season nears the end, the third grade will perform "Little Tiny Miracle" depicting the nativity at the close of our school Mass on December 21st. The school community invites you to share in any of our Advent activities!.

## LIGHTS...CAMERA...A CHRISTMAS CAROL!



Please come join us in the Bernardine Center on Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. for your dose on Christmas Cheer!

Our play begins with a stage crew getting ready to film the movie A Christmas Carol. You will see auditions for the starring role, and all the trials and tribulations that a director and her crew go through to put on a good production. Since our director's job is on the line, the pressure is on.

Our play is an adaptation of the play, Lights...Camera...Christmas by Sally Carpenter with A Christmas Carol adapted by Valerie Goodwin as the "award winning film" done to save the director's career. Our unique 8<sup>th</sup> grade required a unique play. Our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students have spent the past few years in the role of "stage crew", and wanted to do that again...so we found a play about a stage crew putting on a production.

Our 7<sup>th</sup> graders will join in filling the roles for A Christmas Carol. We are excited to have their participation. Additionally, many of our talented musicians will be performing throughout the production. There will also be opportunities for audience participation.

A free will donation will be accepted at the door. The students work hard to put on a great show.

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