

# NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS SCHOOL

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## December 17, 2015

### Important Dates for your Calendar:

**Friday, December 18 - 12 Noon Dismissal** - No lunch or extended care after school - Christmas Vacation begins

\*\*\*\*\*Jean Day with No Uniform Shirt\*\*\*\*\*

**Tuesday, January 5** - School Resumes

We are asking that **each family** please bring another ream of paper (8½ X 11) to the school at the start of the new year. Paper may be dropped off in the school office. Thank you!



**Merry Christmas!** Well, almost anyway. I love this time of year. The **Christmas programs**, the **singing** (I love singing!) and the **joy** that fills the air makes the anticipation of Christmas so powerful. I just can't believe that **Jesus came down to earth** to be with us and now is present all the time in the **Eucharist**. What a great blessing. I also think it is that time of year when it is so important to thank you all for everything you do for me. The gifts, the thoughts, the prayers, the remembrances are so appreciated. People inevitably walk in my office, look around and say, "Wow, people must really like you", and I say, "it has nothing to do with me, I have amazing families that are so generous in so many ways." So, to that I say, **'Thank you. Thank you so much!'** The program attendance is amazing and the children do such a wonderful job of getting you in the spirit. We have a very long break this Christmas. I hope you have time to really enjoy your children during the holiday season. I'm going to miss them and I'm going to think of you all a ton while they are gone, but I will be celebrating too and enjoying this wonderful Merry Christmas!

God bless you, Sr. Janelle

#### 7 Steps to Becoming Financially Free!

- Small group study program
- Provides direction, strategies, and practical guidance for money management
- Attendance satisfies the "Dynamic Catholic" requirement
- Session starts on **Monday, January 11 at 7 pm** and ends Monday, February 22
- Cost is \$30 for materials (scholarships available)
- Babysitting will be available
- Contact Julie in the Parish Office to register: 402-476-8088

Are you looking for a **volunteer opportunity**? Please consider helping with **week-end Scrip sales**. Volunteers work just one mass time one weekend a month. It is easy to learn and you work with a partner. If you are interested please contact Cindy at: [tomseidl@windstream.net](mailto:tomseidl@windstream.net).

**Chess Club Registration** for the 2nd Semester is now open! Registration forms are available in the office and on the website. Cost is **\$15**. Sessions start on **Wednesday, January 6** for the advanced players (knights) from **3:15-4:15 pm**. Beginning players (pawns & rooks) will begin on **Monday, January 11** from **3:15-4:15 pm**.

**Kindergarten Preview** will be **Monday, February 8 at 6:00 pm** in the church. If you plan to enroll your child for kindergarten in 2016 please submit the following information: Parents' names, address, phone number, child's name and date of birth. You may call the office or email the information to [carol-ruskamp@cdolinc.net](mailto:carol-ruskamp@cdolinc.net). A letter will be sent in January with more details.