



# The Bulldog Bugle

## St. Bartholomew Catholic School

*November 14, 2025*

### A Heartfelt Thank You

First, a profound thank you to all the parents who joined us for the Veterans Day Mass and so generously shared photos. It was truly moving to see those images displayed as we honored the incredible dedication and service of those who protect our country. Your participation helped us create a deeply meaningful tribute!

### ELEVATE OUR LIBRARY: GIVE TO THE MAX!

Now, we invite you to channel that same spirit of community support into an exciting opportunity right here at school: our GIVE TO THE MAX campaign!

We're not just looking to update our library—we're aiming to transform it into a vibrant, modern place of discovery and learning for every student and staff member.

Imagine a space featuring:

- All-new, inviting furniture that creates cozy nooks for reading.
- Fantastic new shelf markers to help young readers navigate the shelves independently and with confidence.
- A wealth of new, high-quality hardcover books (both fiction and non-fiction) featuring durable library bindings built to withstand years of enthusiastic use (and less need for replacement).

These crucial improvements, along with a few other essential items, will secure the library for years to come. Remember - we are seeking high quality materials that stress values and good character for our students to read!

**Our Goal: \$25,000**

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## Upcoming Events

**Tuesday, November 18 - Kindergarten Open House 4:00 pm**

**Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> - Start of Thanksgiving Break - NO SCHOOL!**

**Wednesday, December 3 - Advent Festival! See pg. 5**

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This ambitious but vital goal will unlock the full potential of our library, turning it into a truly outstanding resource. Every dollar you contribute is an investment in the future success and literacy of our students. Donating is simple and highly impactful. Please take action today by visiting our website and clicking the GIVE tab or [Click HERE!](#)

Let's make this year's GIVE TO THE MAX campaign an overwhelming success! Will you help us reach our \$25,000 goal and give our students the library they deserve? **We have already raised over \$10,000!**

## **Annual St. Bartholomew Christmas Concert**

**Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 pm**

**"Room for Christmas" by Mark Burrows**

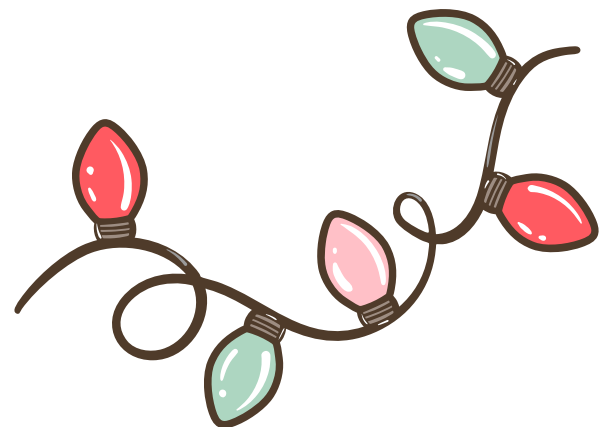
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In Room for Christmas, it's one week before the Christmas Show. The director, Mrs. Propati-McNeill is sick and it's up to the students to do the best they can...but it won't be easy. The Christmas Show feels like "just one more thing" during a busy time of year. Everyone has their own opinion about how to make this old story feel brand new.

Will the students get it together in time? Or will the students discover, in their unabashedly child-like ways, the joy and wonder that comes from making room for what really matters? Get ready for this special evening of fun and cheer!

## **Annual Moms Night Out!**

All moms PreK-5 are invited to our annual moms Christmas party! Enjoy heavy apps, wine (and n/a bevs), and a fun gift exchange. New moms - come get to know us!! Hosted by the PTO.  
**Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> - [RSVP HERE!](#)**



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## \*calendar update

I know a lot of families take vacation the last week in August before school begins. Please be aware that Labor Day in 2026 is on the 7th. **We will be starting school BEFORE Labor Day in 2026-2027.** School will start on August 31st. A more detailed calendar will be available in January. -Mrs. Vance

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### ANNOUNCEMENT!

St. Bartholomew is THRILLED to offer clubhouse over Christmas Break this year for those families who need care to work (or finish up that last minute shopping... or just take a breather before the holiday chaos)! For all families K-5, especially those who will also use the preK break childcare for their younger children. [Details and sign-up HERE!](#)



## thanksgiving meal help needed



We have a special Thanksgiving lunch on Tuesday, November 25 and would be grateful for a few parents to help with prepping and serving lunch that day. If you are available to assist between 10:30 and noon, we would be grateful, thankful and blessed. Please click here to sign up on the volunteer form.

[CLICK HERE to sign up to help](#)



# CHRISTMAS CRAFT DAY

WITH MRS. VANCE!

MORE AFTER-SCHOOL CRAFTY FUN  
WITH FRIENDS! COST - \$12

MONDAY, DECEMBER 1ST  
AFTER SCHOOL - 3:30-4:30  
LIMIT 10 STUDENTS - [SIGN UP HERE!](#)





## St. Bart's Advent Festival WED December 3, 2025, 5:00-7:00pm\*

**Crafts, Snacks, Service Project, To-Go Activities**



### Free Advent Family Fun Night! Preschool-Grade 5 School & Parish Families Welcome

Prepare for the Christmas Season by visiting multiple Advent-themed activity stations:

- **Live evergreen Advent Wreath station.** (*Goodwill donation requested to cover materials expenses.*)
- **Catholic Charities Giving Tree Service Project.** Participants decorate paper ornaments with needed items listed on the back and hang on Giving Tree in the narthex. Interested participants to go on KARE-11 Saturday Morning program!
- **Stop in the Chapel before you leave** for a short Family Wreath Blessing Service @ 5:35pm, 6:05pm or 6:35pm.

Hosted by St. Bart's Faith Formation & Catholic School and SBDC Preschool Ministry Partners.



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**\*REGISTER for one 30-minute timeslot per family.** (*You can stay beyond the 30 minute timeframe.*)



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**Register by WED Nov. 26th**

- Report to Fellowship Hall
- Wreath Blessing in Chapel
- Contact [Susie Osacho](mailto:sosacho@st-barts.org) with ?s  
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