

**Burlington Notre Dame**  
**December 2017**  
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*“Inspiring the Mind...Engaging the Heart”*

Merry Christmas to all of our families at Notre Dame. We hope you have a blessed and joyful season.

December 6	First Reconciliation – St John’s church at 6:30 pm
December 7	K-3 Christmas Concert
December 8, 12 & 19	All School Mass (Feast of the Immaculate Conception on Friday, the 8 <sup>th</sup> )
December 10	6-8 Christmas Concert at 4:00 pm St. John’s Church
December 10	9-12 Christmas Concert at 6:00 pm at St. John’s Church
December 11- 16	Homecoming Week
December 11	4-5 Christmas Concert at 7:00 pm
December 22- Jan 2	Christmas Break
January 3	Classes Resume

The Notre Dame School Board of Education will not meet in December.

**Business Office News**

During the Christmas break, the hours of the Business Office may vary. If you need Scrip or have other business, please call first (752-8690).

**The Notre Dame Day Care will be open  
December 26<sup>th</sup> through December 29<sup>th</sup> only during the break.  
Parents must bring lunch for their children on those days.**

**Day Care Parents/Early Arrival: REMINDER:** Children attending the Early Arrival Program are not to arrive before 7:50. If your child arrives before that time, they will be sent to daycare and charges will be put on your account. Charges for Day Care and Early Arrival will be billed on the same statement. Please remember that Day Care charges and Early Arrival charges are due upon receipt. Charges for day care services will be billed weekly. Charges for Early Arrival will be billed on a monthly basis. Day care charges will include hours from Monday - Friday and will be mailed on the following Monday. Finance charges are assessed to any account over \$10 on the **last day of the month**. If your account is below \$5, you will not receive a billing statement for the week. Automatic withdrawal from a checking or savings account is available for Day Care/Early Arrival charges. See the Business Office to get signed up. If your account for the Day Care or Early Arrival program becomes delinquent at the end of the month, your child/children will not be allowed to use either program.

**A reminder..... No parking in the fire lanes!**

**The Burlington Fire Dept. has issued a statement to Notre Dame that anyone parking in the fire lanes at any time will be ticketed (ballgames, Mass etc.).** In an effort to maximize the safety of our students in the parking lots, we are asking you to help keep our parking areas “Safe Zones”. If you witness careless or irresponsible driving on school grounds, please record the license plate number and make/model of the vehicle and report it to the High School Office.

Weather related school cancellations and/or delays will be broadcast on the local radio stations and the ND website. You can also get on a text message list at the BCSD by going to their home page and entering your information. Please do not call school or the radio stations. If there is a 2 hour early dismissal, Notre Dame will dismiss at 1:00 pm. If there is a one hour early dismissal, Notre Dame will dismiss at 2:00 pm. In case of a fog delay or inclement weather delay, doors will open 1 or 2 hours later depending on the delay. Notre Dame Elementary will be open as follows: 1 hour delay, the doors will open at 9:15 – 2 hour delay, the doors will open at 10:15. Teachers will not be on duty until 9:15 or 10:15 respectively. Notre Dame High School will be opened by 8:00 am. Teachers will not be on duty until one-half hour before the start of class. Please take time now to work out arrangements with your children so that they know what to do with an early dismissal. Our phone lines are busy and calls need to be made to get information to out-of-town people, coaches, etc.

**Another reminder.....** Parents may not bring any fast food of any kind into the cafeteria at lunch time for elementary, middle school and high school students.

## Scrip News

**ATTENTION CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS:** Scrip makes great Christmas gifts/stocking stuffers. There are a lot of stores & restaurants to choose from. They are easy to send by mail and can be used all across the U.S. We order on Thursday by noon and receive the Scrip on the following Tuesday (sometimes earlier). We also have a large variety of Scrip available in the Business Office and the Elementary Office. Come in and check it out! Remember, 2% of all your purchases go toward your tuition. Your family and friends can also purchase Scrip and the credit goes on to your tuition account. Buying Scrip helps Notre Dame and YOU!!

The Olive Garden gift card is no longer good at Reb Lobster restaurants.

\$5 Starbucks, \$10 Amazon, \$10 Target and \$10 Wal-Mart gift cards will be available for a short time during the holiday season. **These very popular cards will be available through December 31, 2017, or while supplies last.** They make great stocking stuffers or gifts for the baby sitter or paper boy.

**The last order date for guaranteed Scrip arrival before Christmas is: Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>.** Come check out our complete inventory!!

## Guidance Office News

Scholarship applications for the class of 2018 are beginning to arrive, and will be sent home with seniors as we receive them. There will be a few applications available before Christmas break, but most of the scholarship applications will begin arriving in January and continue through spring. The majority of these scholarships will be due in February, March and April. Scholarships will be numbered and the list will be updated as new applications forms are received. The list will be posted on the bulletin board across from Mrs. Billup's office. Parents are welcome to call or email Mrs. Billups with any questions or concerns.

## MS/HS News

Grade 6-8 Christmas Concert will be on December 10 at St. John's Church at 4:00 pm.  
Grade 9-12 Christmas Concert will be on December 10 at St. John's Church at 6:00 pm.

Semester exams for grades 6-12 will be January 10 & 11. All 6-12 students will be dismissed at 12:30. If students usually ride the bus, they must make arrangements to find a way home from school on these days.

Homecoming activities begin December 11 with the Homecoming Mass at 9:00 am on December 12. Come out and cheer on the Nikes as they take on Cardinal on Friday night, the 15<sup>th</sup>. Activities culminate on Saturday night with the Homecoming dance in the Elementary Gym.

## Elementary School News

K-3 Christmas Concert will be on December 7 at 7:00 pm.  
4-5 Christmas Concert will be on December 11 at 7:00 pm.

## Notre Dame Foundation/Development Director News

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Burlington Notre Dame Foundation*

The end of the year is always the peak time for charitable giving. A gift to the Notre Dame Foundation means that Catholic education in the Burlington area remains strong and vibrant. Your gift is tax deductible and may be designated to any of the following areas: Building Improvements, Curriculum, Faculty Support, General Fund, or the St. Jude Tuition Assistance Fund. Remember a loved one with a memorial gift to the Notre Dame Foundation, or contribute to an existing memorial. To make your gift on-line go to [www.burlingtonnotredame.com](http://www.burlingtonnotredame.com), scroll down to "Make a Difference" and click Donate Now. Thank you for your generous support of Catholic Education.

## **2018 God's Portion Day SUNDAY MARCH 11th - Save the Date!**

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend this major fundraiser for our school. Once again the day will be filled with lots of fun for kids and adults alike. Make plans to get involved and volunteer on one of our many committees. Live Auction, Silent Auction, Bake-Off, Kids Activities, Cash Raffle and much more. For more information on how you can help please contact Val

Giannettino, Development Director at [\(319\)754-8431](tel:3197548431) ext., 385. Or email [val.giannettino@bnotredame.org](mailto:val.giannettino@bnotredame.org). Thanks - let's make this GPD the biggest one yet!

Shop & Smile this Holiday Season

We encourage you to shop local and support area businesses this Christmas season. However, if you also shop at Amazon, please consider using Amazon Smile. When you designate **Burlington Notre Dame Foundation**, Amazon donates a percentage of your purchase to support Notre Dame. Go to this link and while you're shopping at Amazon and you will also be helping Burlington Notre Dame Catholic School!

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