

# Faith, Teamwork, Excellence

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## December Holidays 2014

### Merry Christmas and Happy New Year



We finish our school year with Advent still to be completed. We spoke at school of being aware of those who are having a hard time finding JOY and HOPE as a result of a loss or economic hardship.

It is for all of us to support each other, to bring light, to remember that JESUS, OTHERS and YOU will ensure that we know what Christmas truly is, that others support us as we do them and that YOU too make Christmas special for your family and friends. Start with god and Jesus and JOY follows.

*(Below is an excerpt from an Advent 2014 Message from Jerry Creedon, Faith Animator for the HWCDSB)*

The same prophet who, on the First Sunday of Advent, had God hiding his face from his people, is called by God on the Second Sunday of Advent to comfort God's people, to speak tenderly to them. The story we share as we walk together is the story of a God who "will feed his flock like a shepherd, who will gather the lambs in his arms, carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep." The story our God wants us to share is, we are told on the Third Sunday of Advent, good news to the oppressed, healing to the broken hearted, liberty to the unfree, dignity to the downtrodden. It is the story of a God who not only listens to the cry of his people but mingles his cry with theirs from a manger in Bethlehem.



### **Last day of school this year (2014) Friday December 19, 2014**

Fill your days with family fun such as playing outside, or skating., cheering for your favourite hockey team .or whatever Christmas and new year activities brings you smiles and builds memories. ALL DAY (Dismissal at 2:55 p.m.)

### **First day of school to begin the next year Monday January 5, 2015**

We will see you then.

"Unite yourself with Jesus  
... in all that you do"  
St. Margaret Mary

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Weekend Masses  
Sat. 7:00 pm  
Sunday 8:30 am /  
10:15 am / 12:00 noon

*St. Margaret, Mary Prayer*

*Eternal Father,*

*You entrusted St. Margaret Mary  
with the grace to spread devotion to  
the sacred Heart of Jesus.*

*Help us embrace the love of Christ  
by following Saint Margaret Mary's  
loving example.*

*Guide us along the right path and  
bless us as we seek to unite our-  
selves to you in all our thoughts, our  
words and our actions.*

*May we, like Saint Margaret Mary,  
always find lasting strength, cour-  
age and peace in you.*

*We ask this through the Sacred  
Heart of Jesus, who lives and  
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit  
one God, forever and ever.*

*Amen*