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Dear Parents:

January is the month of the Holy Name of Jesus. Because of the Feasts in January which pertain to Christ's infancy and childhood, January has also become a month dedicated to the Holy Childhood of Jesus. This devotion is a matter of particular interest to a Catholic school dedicated to helping your sons and daughters grow in wisdom, age, and grace as Jesus did in during his years in Nazareth.

The sophomores will have their retreat day on Friday, January 17 and all the other students will be off. Midterm exams begin on Tuesday, January 21st and conclude on Friday January 24th. These exams cover all the material learned in each course since September and count as much as a marking period. Freshmen often struggle with these exams since they are unaccustomed to tests that cover several months of material. Teachers will be reviewing in class for a few days prior to the exams. If your son or daughter has not already begun to prepare for these exams, he/she should begin immediately.

In addition to the normal increases in salaries, benefits, and utilities, this year we are being hit with another large increase in health insurance costs. Everyone understands that the economy is weak and that families are struggling to make ends meet. We are working hard to run as efficiently as possible. Please be diligent in paying tuition and fees in a timely manner – it's so much easier to maintain an affordable tuition when everyone does his/her part. For your convenience, second semester fees are listed below to allow you the opportunity to prepare.

May God grant you and your family a happy, holy, and healthy New Year!

Faithfully in Christ,

Fr. Michael Reilly
Principal

The following fees are posted on FACTs to be paid on February 10, 2025.

Yearbook Fee of \$125/family and Maintenance Fee of \$125/family
(Only the oldest child pays; younger siblings do not pay the fee.)