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"Home of the Knights"

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"Oh Come Let Us Adore Him"

We Wish You A Blessed Christmas



Gerrit van Honthorst (Dutch) -- Adoration of the Child c. 1620 -- Oil on Canvas

Dear Saint Mary's families:

To the right are the lyrics to "Silent Night," a beautiful Christmas song that we will hear many times throughout this Christmas Season. The lyrics of this song are so simple. Maybe that is what makes them so special, special enough to make it the most famous Christmas song of all time! They peacefully set the stage for that glorious moment as told in Scripture:

**"Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son,
and they shall name him Emmanuel, which means God is with us."** Matthew 1:23

Amid the bustle of the season where we lovingly do the little things that help make Christmas for ourselves and our families so memorable, let us also remember to frequently reflect through prayer, song, and Scripture on the purpose of our many preparations: to celebrate that our Redeemer, Christ the Savior is born!

Christmas Peace and Blessings to all!

Mrs. Suzanne M. Fessler
Principal

**Silent night, holy night,
all is calm, all is bright
round yon virgin
mother and child.
Holy infant, so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace,
sleep in heavenly peace.**

**Silent night, holy night,
shepherds quake at the sight;
glories stream from heaven afar,
heavenly host sing Alleluia!
Christ the Savior is born,
Christ the Savior is born!**

Joseph Mohr, 1816