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## December 17, 2019

12/19 [Celebration of Light Registration deadline](#)

12/24 Christmas Eve - Chancery Offices are closed

12/25 Christmas Day - Chancery Offices are closed

12/26 Christmas Holiday - Chancery Offices are closed

1/1 New Year's Day - Chancery Offices are closed

1/8 [Fulcrum TAP Application Deadline](#)

1/23 [Principal/Parish Leadership Meeting](#)

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## From the Superintendent ...

“Prepare the way!” I have been really enjoying the Instagram visual walk-throughs in each of the postings from our schools. This week we light the pink candle – the week of Joy! Yes, it is the week before our Christmas break begins, and there are so many ways that we use this time to celebrate and affirm the Catholic identity of our schools. Your picture stories make me smile and recall why we are in the business of Catholic education. May your week be full of joy, and when the daily challenges come your way may you practice the “gentle gaze” of Mary, our Mother, who pondered all things in her heart, and amidst all the questions, she said, “Yes!” We, at the OCS, keep each of you in our Advent prayers.

**Kristin Dixon**

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**Safety Updates** - Resources for Safety Plans

**Pastoral Care and Outreach Day 1.9.20** - ALL Campus Ministers are invited to attend this Day of Reflection focusing on grief, immigrant and refugee, mental health, intercultural competency, and ministry of presence.

**CRS - Operation Rice Bowl 2020** Catholic schools have a long standing of supporting CRS Rice Bowl. Read about the updates for this year and order your free materials now!

**Calling all Catholic Educators! Maryknoll Guatemala Immersion Trip - June 24 - July 2, 2020** - Join the Maryknoll team to enter into the lives of our neighbors on the margins in Guatemala. Apply! Financial support available.

**Educational Leadership Partners** - Deadlines for Educational Leadership programs begin in early 2020. Click here for information sessions and contact information.



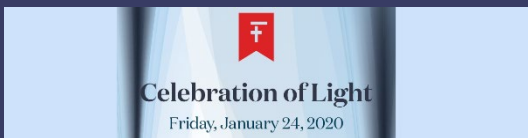
**Do you know a great candidate for the PACE, Pacific Alliance for Catholic Education program?** PACE participants teach full-time in K-12 Catholic schools, live together in intentional communities, and earn tuition-free graduate degrees in education.



**Catholic Schools Week** - Get ready for a great week celebrating all that you do. Click here for some fun Open House ideas!



**Free Adult Faith Formation for Parish Communities** - Ron Ryan is now available to offer Adult Faith Formation, retreats and workshops for our parish communities!



**Celebration of Light** - Friday, January 24, 2020. Registration deadline for tables and tickets is December 19th. Ticket prices are \$175 per seat or \$1750 for one table with 10 seats. Please contact Nicole Gummow at [nicole.gummow@fulcrumfoundation.org](mailto:nicole.gummow@fulcrumfoundation.org) or 206.748.7983 if you have any questions. We appreciate your partnership!



Coming soon – the application for the **Fulcrum Building Diversity and Inclusion Grant Program!**



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