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The Diocese of Scranton is committed to educating our students in an environment that is academically excellent and facilitates the development of moral judgment and Christian decision-making. We are proud to share the following successes of our students in the classroom and in their service to others. Each day, our schools are fulfilling their mission of preparing today's youth and young adults to become tomorrow's faith-filled leaders.

On Dec. 6, Saint Nicholas visited **Saint Jude School in Mountain Top** and left a little treat for everyone.

Saint Nicholas made a special visit to the students at **Saint Nicholas/Saint Mary School in Wilkes-Barre** on his feast day to share stories of how to prepare for Christmas. He also filled the students' shoes with treats.
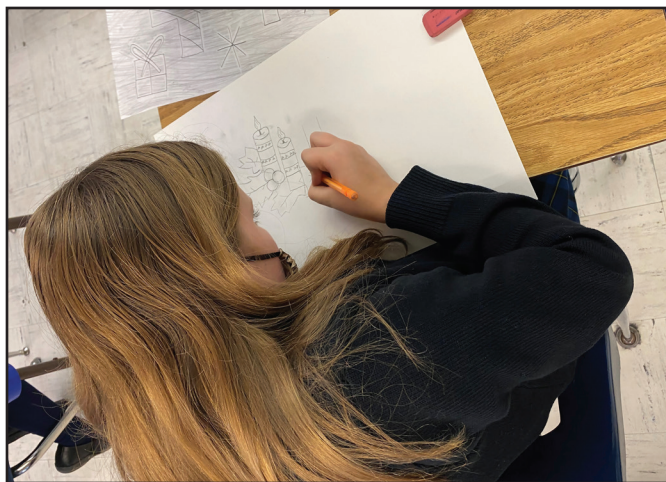

Madelyn Steele and Gavin Cendoma, third grade students at **Saint John Neumann Elementary School in Williamsport**, pose with the Advent wreath.

Students, faculty and staff at **Holy Redeemer High School in Wilkes-Barre**, cognizant of the food insecurity that many in our area face, hosted a Thanksgiving Food Drive to benefit the Saint Vincent de Paul Kitchen in Wilkes-Barre.

The Student Council at **Our Lady of Peace School in Clarks Green** organized a Thanksgiving food drive and donated several hundred food items to Saint Francis of Assisi Kitchen in Scranton.

Sixth grade students at **Notre Dame Elementary School in East Stroudsburg** joyfully work on "Keep Christ in Christmas" posters while listening to inspirational music.

Ethan, a third grade student at **Holy Family Academy in Hazleton,** prepares his Native American Shelter as part of his STREAM lesson.

The eighth grade class of **Holy Rosary School in Duryea** performed the story of the Nativity which was filmed for the entire school community to enjoy during this holy season.

Pre-Kindergarten students at **All Saints Academy in Scranton** work together to measure, stir and bake banana bread to take home as part of their Thanksgiving meal.

Students in third through sixth grade at **Epiphany School in Sayre** work in teams to code a fleet of Sphero robots to dance to a Christmas song during the school's fifth Annual "Hour of Code" event. The students used green screens to record and share their dances with the rest of the school community.
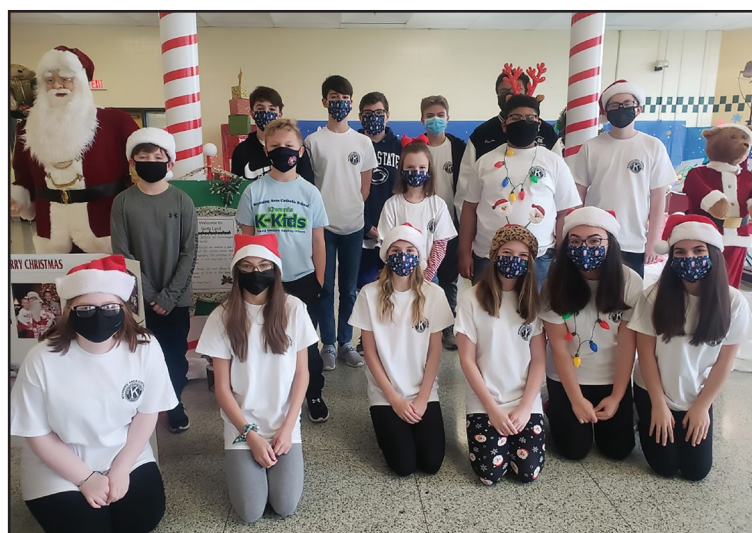
Holy Cross High School in Dunmore continues its tradition of Senior Deck the Halls. The class of 2022 gathered to trim the tree and decorate the school and then celebrated their efforts with a pizza party.

The Service Club at **Saint Mary of Mount Carmel School in Dunmore** recently collected personal items and non-perishable food to benefit the organization, "Purposely Preparing Others," a part of Keystone Mission.

Student Council members from **Notre Dame Jr./Sr. High School in East Stroudsburg** organize bags of food that fellow students and faculty brought in to be donated to the food pantry at Saint Matthew Parish.

The Builders Club at **Wyoming Area Catholic School in Exeter** lent their time and talent at the recent Wyoming Area Kiwanis Breakfast with Santa. Students helped at the Letters to Santa station, snowman ornament station and more.

The students, faculty and staff at **Good Shepherd Academy in Kingston** recently collected coats for their monthly Dash for Kindness Activity. The coats were donated to the Catholic Youth Center in Wilkes-Barre for distribution to those in need.

Fourth grade students at **La Salle Academy in Jessup** designed and built their own Mayflower ship for Thanksgiving.

Seventh graders Makayla Flournoy-Brown and Justin Crosby look on as Maddy Fiorini, a junior at **Saint John Neumann High School in Williamsport**, lights the second candle on the Advent wreath.