



ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

The Pink Note

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From the Desk of Mrs. Miscavish

Dear Parents:

This Friday is our first Mass at St. Peter for our 1st – 8th graders. For our Kindergarten & Preschool parents, this means that Friday morning drop-off will be a breeze! For 1st – 8th, it would be a breeze over at St. Peter if Mt. Clemens had not decided to redo the intersection of Pine/New Street. This initially was a concern, but like all things, we have worked out a solution and it is now more of an inconvenience. For our parents in 1st – 8th you will receive in your inbox today directions that will help you maneuver around this construction. The most important information is found below, and the rest can be found in your inbox.

- New Street is closed to thru traffic – please stay off this street!
 - This is our exit route – so no thru traffic please.
- Pine Street will get you nowhere and the sidewalk is also gone for the moment.
- Only one entrance will be open from Market St. to drop-off your children for Mass – that entrance is the driveway closest to S. Gratiot.
- You will not be allowed to turn **Left** into the parking lot off Market St. – so please do not try.
- The only way to get to the entrance of the church parking lot is from **eastbound Market St. or S. Gratiot** – that is it. Your job is to find your way to those two streets no matter what direction you are coming from!
- Parking is free until 9:20 in the municipal lot on Market St. across from St. Peter – we will be done well before that time.
- Yes there will be a little gridlock at the corner of Market & S. Gratiot, just like the good old days for those of you who have been around here for a while. No worries, it is a quick gridlock, but if you want to avoid it, from 7:30 – 7:40 the “drive-thru” moves quickly.

Our walk back will also be a little different unless miraculously they have the sidewalks on New to Pine ready to go – I doubt it. We will instead use the same path that we use for May Crowning. We will cross S. Gratiot at Market, Mr. K. & I will be the crossing guards; Mr. Joe will cross our students at New St.; Mr. Willard as always, will cross the students across North Ave. at the light; no worries, the county once again has “St. Mary time” up and running; Mrs. Zanotti will be with us on Friday and she will be our crossing guard at Grand Ave. Our Backpack Brigade is good to go with our backpacks and we greatly appreciate their help! The showers on Friday are supposed to begin around midday, so even the weather is cooperating right now. If you have any questions about Mass on Friday, please do not hesitate to ask.

Immediately following Mass on Friday we will have our 8th Grade Relighting Ceremony. This ceremony has been a long-standing tradition and one that our student body looks forward to each year. For our 8th grade parents, this is the first of many 8th grade traditions that begin a very special year in their personal lives, as well as their St. Mary life. Our 8th graders will commit themselves to be the leaders of our school, remembering the promise they made last spring as the graduating Class of 2018 turned over their ray of light, to the Class of 2019. We look forward to this great group of students being the leaders of St. Mary. They will do a terrific job! We hope that you can join us for Mass and witness their commitment.

Next Wednesday our annual “Do’s and Don’ts” of Halloween at St. Mary information will go home. While you are waiting for that, make sure you see the information regarding the Halloween Spooktacular that will be taking place on October 13th. This is terrific event, it is short and sweet. Many volunteers are needed to decorate a classroom door area & pass out treats to our Trick or Treaters. Not only will you see a flyer coming home today, there is also a SignUpGenius link going home to volunteer to help that evening or to donate candy for our little friends! This event is open to Preschool – 4th grade children and it is free. All we ask is that you bring a donation for our parish St. Vincent de Paul food bank.

Next week is Picture Day, which is always an exciting day around St. Mary. The Dress Code for this event will be emailed home today as well. With any change in dress code, please pay close attention to the rules & regulations. Every year there is an issue and sometimes brought on by a student because they just insisted on wearing something, but other times, it is because an adult “missed the memo” so to speak. Our teachers will go over the dress code with their homeroom, I suggest you do the same. If we all do our due diligence, in the end we should have no issues and only big smiles for the camera!

May grace and blessings be in your path,
Maureen Miscavish



Picture Day

September 26 - 4yr. Preschool - 8th Grade
September 27 - 3yr. Preschool

Picture Day is a “Dress Up Day” - see the Dress Code in your inbox.

- Every student will be photographed, even if you do not purchase pictures.
- Each student must have their own order form envelope. The studio only gives us one order form per student, so please do not lose it.
- Enclose the exact payment. The office and photographer are unable to make change.
- You can prepay and order online if you prefer to do so. If you opt to do so, you still need to send the order form in with your child—clearly marked that you paid online. This step is very important!!!
- Late Orders: If a student forgets their envelope, a parent may place an order online up to two business days after picture day.



Mandatory Sacrament Parent Meeting

There is a mandatory Sacrament Parent Meeting for parents of students in grades 2, 4 & 8 on **Wednesday, October 18 at 6:30**. At least one parent per family must attend, just one even if you have multiple children making a sacrament. The meeting is being held at St. Peter Church. Our 8th grade Confirmandi students must attend as well.

Yes, there is another opportunity for you to attend on November 14, but please remember we are counting on **100% participation on October 18** to ensure we have all met this requirement.



Halloween Spooktacular Preschool—4th Grade

Trick or Treat & Movie Night
Saturday, October 13
6:00 - 8:00 pm
Trick or Treaters & Hallway
Sponsors needed!
Check your inbox for details!

Save the Date

September 21 ~ 1st Mass at St Peter
& 8th Grade Relighting Service
September 26 ~ Picture Day - 4yr Pre - Gr. 8
September 27 ~ Picture Day - 3yr. Pre
September 28 ~ No School - Progress Reports
October 1-12 ~ IOWA Testing
October 10 ~ High School Night
October 12 ~ Haunted Hayride Gr. 6-8
October 13 ~ Halloween Hallway Spooktacular
October 15 ~ St. Peter 175th Anniversary Mass
w/ Arch. Vigneron
October 18 ~ Mandatory Parent Sacrament
Meeting for 2nd & 4th grade
parents & 8th grade parents and
their child.
October 26 ~ End of 1st Quarter
October 31 ~ Noon Dismissal—Pre-4
Halloween Parade

St. Peter Youth Group

The Middle School ROCK kickoff is September 23, 2018 from 6:30-8:30 pm in the youth room and is open to all students in grades 6-8!

If you have any questions contact Tori Kearney – Coordinator of Youth Ministry at

stpeteryouthmin@gmail.com

CAFETERIA NEWS

- Lunch time volunteers are needed for September 24, 25, & 27, and for October 1, 2, 4, & 5.
Log in to www.signupgenius.com use the pass word '2union' to submit days you can volunteer. Lunch time is from 10:55 till 1:00. Walk-ins are always welcome.
- Please be sure money for your child's lunch account is clearly marked with their first & last name, grade and the words "Lunch Account"
- Free & Reduced Lunch Applications were emailed home and are still available in the school office. They must be submitted each year.

SPORTS



CYO Winter Basketball & Bowling Registrations for grades 5-8 are due September 21 to the main office.

Additional forms are located on our school's website.

Sports Passes are available for the 2018-19 school year. They are good for all home games for your immediate family all year long! The Pass is \$40.00. **Make checks payable to St. Mary School.**

St. Mary Catholic School provides strong academics within a faith-based community to prepare students for higher learning and to become moral, productive, God-loving leaders in society.

Girl Scouts

SMS has a very active girl scout program. If your daughter is interested in learning more about girl scouts, please contact Judy Dobrzycki for more information at bdoby1@aol.com.

St. Peter Catholic Church



Out of the Past, **THE FUTURE**



E. PRAETERITIS FUTURA

Weekly Highlights

Thursday, Sept. 20

Book Fair continues

Friday, Sept. 21

First Mass Gr. 1-8 drop off at St. Peter
8th Grade Relighting

Monday, Sept. 24

Altar Serving 2:00-3:10
Ecology Club 3:10-4:00
Student Council Meeting 3:10-4:00

Tuesday, Sept. 25

Little Mountaineers 12:30-2:00
6th Grade Camp Meeting

Wednesday, Sept. 26

Dress Up Day
Picture Day for 4yr Pre-8

Coming Home

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High School Night Information Gr. 6-8
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