



ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

The Pink Note

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From the Desk of Mrs. Miscavish

Dear Parents:

Our school year is in full swing and our students are actively engaged in all things St. Mary. There is a great deal going on in the month of October and to begin with, for many of our student-athletes, their season is wrapping up, but not for all! Our Varsity boys soccer team beat St. Joan of Arc last night 4-0 and that lands them in the playoffs! Congratulations to the boys & their Coach, Vince Minniti and Grandpa Minniti too! Their playoff game is this Friday @ 5:00 pm at home. Please come out and cheer our St. Mary Mountaineers on to victory.

This Friday night begins our Halloween fun at St. Mary as our 6th – 8th graders venture to Blake's for the Haunted Hayride evening. This is our 6th graders first "real" social event of their school life and we can all remember the day that we too, had our first official night out on the town! That little bit of freedom is the same rite of passage that all of us experienced when we were their age.

On Saturday, we have our annual Halloween Hallway Spooktacular & Movie from 6:00 – 8:00. Thank you to all who donated candy for the event and to all our parents who will be decorating the path for our Trick or Treaters. This is a great event and one that brings great excitement and happy sounds to the halls of St. Mary. If there is any candy leftover from this event or if next week you would like to make a Halloween candy donation, all candy will be sent to Sacred Heart Seminary for their annual Halloween trick or treating event. The Seminarians put on a huge party for the community, so they too are in need of our candy donations.

This Sunday is the 175th Anniversary Mass of St. Peter Parish. We will celebrate with a special Mass at 12:00 with Archbishop Vigneron as our celebrant. We hope that all of you will be able to join us for this historic event in the life of our parish.

Next Monday, our 7th grade parents will be attending a meeting in regard to next year's Washington D. C. trip so that they can begin preparing. This trip is a wonderful experience, as our 8th graders will soon find out, but it is one that takes planning on the part of the parents and students. We start planning early, so that our parents are well informed and understand what the trip is all about and also the financial obligation. It is always our hope that our future 8th graders will take an active role in paying for a portion, if not all of their trip. With a year to prepare, there is plenty of time for them to earn money doing chores or odd jobs for their family, friends, and neighbors. There are also birthdays and holidays where they will receive monetary gifts, a good lesson in life, tuck some of that away for this trip. This is a great financial learning opportunity and a nice way for students to begin dabbling in being fiscally responsible for themselves.

On Monday as well we will be sending our 6th graders, their teachers, parent chaperones and Mr. K. off to camp. This is our “maiden voyage” to camp and I am sure it will be a huge success. It is our plan to make camp an annual trip for our future 6th graders. The three days they are at camp they will cover many curriculum standards, participating in team building activities, and will focus on their spirituality. Please keep them in your prayers as they enjoy this experience.

Next Tuesday it is our hope that all our students will participate in our Socktober day to “Sock Out” poverty. Each student is asked to donate .50 and wear their craziest socks! Thank you in advance for your support of our Student Council efforts to help others!

For our 2nd, 4th & 8th grade parents & 8th grade students please make sure you have your calendar marked for next Thursday, October 18 to attend the Mandatory Sacrament Meeting. This is a very important night, only one parent has to attend and 8th graders too, but you have to attend. There is another date in November, but we prefer that everyone attend if possible in October. That way we can check it off our list and you can check it off yours!

Next Friday we will have our Michigan vs. Michigan State \$1.00 Jeans Day. The proceeds from this day will be donated to Camp Midicha, a two-week camp held every summer in Holly, Michigan for children with Type 1 Diabetes. Donations make it possible for us to sponsor a child who would otherwise not be able to attend due to the cost. We thank you in advance for your support of this day. As always, if you would like to make a larger donation to this cause, you can make your check payable directly to *ADA Camp Midicha* and we will send in your tax deductible donation with our check.

As autumn appears to finally be here, I leave you today with a prayer for the season.

Autumn Prayer

O God of Creation, you have blessed us with the changing of the seasons.

As we embrace these autumn months,

May the earlier setting of the sun

remind us to take time to rest.

May the crunch of the leaves beneath our feet

remind us of the brevity of this earthly life.

May the steam of our breath in the cool air

remind us that it is you who give us your breath of life.

May the scurrying of the squirrels and the migration of the birds

remind us that you call us to follow your will.

We praise you for your goodness forever and ever. Amen.

May grace and blessings be in your path,
Maureen Miscavish

Glow Bracelet Sale

St. Mary Student Council is selling Glow Bracelets to light your way on Halloween. Flyer came home last week. Glow Bracelets are 2 for \$1.00. All orders must be turned in by October 26th.



Living Rosary

The Class of 2019 would like to invite our St. Mary School families to the celebration of the Rosary on Thursday, October 18th at 2:15 at St. Peter Church. Our 8th grade will lead the school in prayer with a Living Rosary. As we pray the Rosary each Hail Mary will be represented by a lit candle. This is a beautiful ceremony and gives all the students time to acknowledge and give thanks for all the gifts we receive from God. We hope that you will be able to attend this ceremony.



Holiday Party & Raffle Tickets are on sale now!

See Gloria Lisey in the school office to purchase your tickets. Tickets are going fast! The event will be on Saturday, November 10th. You will be able to purchase individual tickets for \$25 or tables of 8 for \$200.

WANTED! New or used large baskets any color, shape & size! Drop them off at St. Mary School before October 16th!

Please see the information in the Pink Note about the class donation contest. Please send in your donations to earn your child a free Jeans Day pass. All items must be returned by October 12th.

The Weather is Changing!



Students should be dressed to stay warm as they wait outside in the morning, go outside for recess, or walk to or from St. Peter. **Students will not be allowed to remain indoors during recess without a doctor's note.**

(Please be sure all coats, sweaters, and sweatshirts have your child's name on them. This is the time of year that our Lost & Found trunk fills up!)

Only St. Mary uniform sweaters and logo uniform sweatshirts may be worn in classrooms and at church. Spirit wear or athletic wear are not allowed.

Save the Date

October 12 ~ Haunted Hayride Gr. 6-8
October 13 ~ Halloween Hallway Spooktacular
October 15 ~ St. Peter 175th Anniversary Mass
Archbishop 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 ~ 11:15 Halloween Parade
Noon Dismissal—Pre-4
November 1 ~ All Saints Day -
8:00 Gr. 2-8 Mass at St. Peter
8:15 Pre-1 prayer service
November 2 ~ Picture Retake Day
November 7 ~ Report Cards
November 9 ~ Gr. 8 Confirmation Retreat
November 10 ~ Holiday Party & Raffle

Box Tops for Education Challenge



The classroom with the most Box Tops turned in by Tuesday, October 16th will receive a treat. Be sure to include the student & teacher's name on your collection sheet. Box Tops can be taped or glued to the collection sheet. (no staples) Bonus coupons should not be attached to collection sheet. **Please make sure all Box Tops sent in have not expired.**

Hearing Testing

Hearing testing will be done for grades K, 2, & 4 on Thursday, October 18.

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.



Halloween Spooktacular Preschool—4th Grade

Trick or Treat & Movie Night
Saturday, October 13

6:00 - 8:00 pm

Trick or Treaters & Hallway
Sponsors needed!

**We are also collecting candy
donations for this event.**

RSVP was due October 8th

St. Mary Fall CYO Varsity Teams
“Recognition Night” Dinner

Monday, October 29th 2018

Location – St. Mary School Cafetorium

Doors Open for Check-in At 6:30PM
Opening Remarks and Prayer – 6:45PM

Dinner Served Following Prayer
Team Recognitions Following Dinner

Reservation Slip with Payment due by:
Friday, October 12th 2018

– SMS School Office



SPIRIT WEAR

Spirit Wear is on sale now!

All ordering is done on line at <https://mascela-stmaryschool.itemorder.com>

This is the time to start planning for
Fall and share that St. Mary School
spirit!

Deadline for ordering is Sunday, Octo-
ber 14th at 11:59 PM

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.



CAFETERIA NEWS

Lunch time volunteers are needed for
October 11, 15, 16, 18, 19, 22, 25, 26 &
29.

Log in [https://](https://www.signupgenius.com/)

[www.signupgenius.com/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20foe4ca8a72aa0f58-lunch2)

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use the pass word ‘2union’ to submit
days you can volunteer. Lunch time is
from 10:55 until 1:00. Walk-ins are
always welcome.

Crazy Sock Day Is Coming!!



During the month of October, please join the Student Council in raising money to "Sock Out" poverty. On Tuesday, October 16th students are asked to donate 50 cents to wear crazy socks. The crazier, more mismatched the better! Students can also wear tennis shoes this day with their uniform and crazy socks. Boys can tuck pants into the socks or roll pants, as long as they stay below their knees, to show off their socks.

St. Peter Catholic Church

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Out of the Past, THE FUTURE



E. PRAETERITIS FUTURA

**Crocker House
Children's Etiquette Class**

Tuesday, November 20, 1 p.m.

cost \$15

Tickets are limited, non-refundable

**Please call 586-465-2488 for
your reservation today.**

Help prepare your children to dine properly and learn everyday etiquette with certified etiquette instructor, Kim Parr. This class is offered during Thanksgiving break making it the perfect time to prepare your children to practice their new, improved dining skills for the holiday season.

Kindness to others, how to introduce, answer the phone and shake hands are some of the other subjects covered in this class.

Refreshments included.

Girl Scouts can take this opportunity to earn their Social Butterfly badge.
(Extra fee for this badge)

St. Peter Parish
DYNAMIC PARISH NEWS

Family Bingo Night
Friday, October 27 after 4:00 Mass
Fr. Welch Hall

Bring a food donation
for St. Vincent dePaul
Dinner and Prizes provided
RSVP for Food Count text
or call 586.354.3690

Attention Students: This event eligible
for 1 service hour!

Weekly Highlights

Thursday, Oct. 11

IOWA Testing Continues
Newspaper Club 3:10-4:00

Friday, Oct. 12

Mass at St Peter Gr. 1-8
IOWA Testing Continues
Reconciliation—Venditto
Gr. 6-8 Haunted Hayride 6:30 PM

Saturday, Oct. 13

Halloween Hallway Spooktacular
6:00-8:00

Sunday, Oct. 14

175th Parish Anniversary 12:00 Mass
with Archbishop Vigneron
Dinner at 2:00 Fr. Welch Hall

Monday, Oct. 15

Mass at Union 8:15 Gr. 5-8
Gr. 6 leaves for Camp Storer
Altar Serving 2:00-3:10
Chess Club 3:10-4:00
7th Grade Parent Washington DC
Meeting 6:30

Tuesday, Oct. 16

Student Council Crazy Sock Day .50
Box Tops for Ed. Due
Little Mountaineers 12:30-2:00
Chess Club 3:10-4:00
Children's Choir 3:10-4:00

Wednesday, Oct. 17

No Mass at Union
Waste-Free Wednesday
NJHS Tutoring 3:10-4:00

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Waste-Free Wednesday Have Begun!

In an effort to reduce waste and to retain our MI Green School certification students and staff at St. Mary School are asked to bring a waste-free lunch on Wednesdays. A waste-free lunch means packing food and drinks with reusable containers, utensils, and napkins instead of disposable items. Avoid paper or plastic bags, plastic wrap, foil, wax paper, styrofoam, single-serving snacks, single-use cans, bottles, cartons or pouches, paper napkins and disposable forks and spoons.

By purchasing in bulk and using reusable items instead of disposable containers you can prevent pollution, conserve natural resources such as coal, oil, natural gas and trees, save energy, reduce the need for disposal and be an environmental steward. Make a difference in your environment and the environment of the future by packing a waste-free lunch!

Holiday Party & Raffle Grade Level Contest

Please, please do not forget to turn in items for the classroom contest! These items help make our RED raffle. Each item received directly benefits our event because then our raffle areas do not have to dip into their budget as much. Unfortunately after a tough count yesterday we are behind from last years numbers from the contest. We know that we can do this! Any and all donations are appreciated! Contest ends Friday.

The winning grade will earn a pizza party! In addition, each student who participates will receive their own "Jean Day Pass"!

Here are items by grade again:

- Preschool:** Amazon Gift Cards
- Kindergarten:** Barbie® Products
- 1st:** Any Restaurant Gift Card (Applebee's, Ruby Tuesdays, Red Robin, Olga's, Texas Road House, PF Chang, Brio, etc.)
- 2nd:** Retail Gift Cards (Ann Taylor, Banana Republic, White House Black Market, Bath & Body Works, Express, Gap, Loft, Macys, Nordstrom, Talbots, Victoria Secret, DSW only please)
- 3rd:** Family Entertainment Gift Cards (ex: CJ Barrymore's, AirTime, Sky Zone, Dave & Busters, Orange Leaf, Dairy Queen, Menchies, Movie Theatre, Bowling or Other Local Family Fun Locations)
- 4th:** Boy Lego® Products
- 5th:** Scratch Off Lotto Tickets
- 6th:** Meijer or Kroger Gift Cards
- 7th:** Best Buy Gift Cards
- 8th:** Gas Gift Cards

If you have questions regarding this contest, please email holidaypartysms@gmail.com. This contest is VOLUNTARY and NOT required! Thank you for your continued support of the PAC Holiday Party & Raffle!