



# ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## *The Pink Note*

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### ***From the Desk of Mrs. Miscavish***

Dear Parents:

Thank you to those who scrambled to send in the Red Wings photo permission slip. Sorry about that, but it came across at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour on Tuesday and we had no clue it was coming. Truth be told as I type this note, I do not know how this is all going to play out. They need their slip legally to use the photos and this is not something that we have you sign off on. So before you worry too much, chances are, our photos may not be used at all.

Tomorrow night we will be holding our annual Maturation Information Night for our 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls & boys. Please remember too, if your child is in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and you think this is something they might be ready for, they may attend as well. If you have not already sent in your RSVP, please call the office and do so by tomorrow morning. Our boys will go first @ 6:00 in the cafeteria, please enter through the new gym doors. Our girls will begin @ 7:00 – they should enter through the Main Entrance and will be going to the library. As much as you may hate the thought of your child reaching this stage of life, there is no stopping it! Let Rosemarie Henschel, a registered nurse & parishioner, open the doors to conversations you need to have!

This Friday is another Jeans Day, but this one cost \$1.00. All proceeds of our St. Patrick (green) or St. Joseph's (red) Jeans Day will go to support the efforts of those men & women who will be making the 300 mile bike ride for the Make a Wish Foundation. We appreciate your generosity and your help to teach your children to always remember: *It is more blessed to give than to receive.*

This coming Monday our 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents will be attending a meeting in regard to 6<sup>th</sup> grade camp. Last year was our first year to go to camp for 3 days and a wonderful time was had by all! This meeting will be a general overview of all things camp and that includes the cost. Speaking of cost, I had a quick conversation with a parent the other day inquiring about the cost of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Washington D.C. trip. She asked because she is a firm believer that children should take an active role in paying for events of this kind; I fully agree and was very glad she asked. Both camp & Washington D.C. are events that your child could start saving for now. Depending on their age, there are many birthdays and holidays between now and then where monetary gifts will be given. Why not start a Camp or Washington D.C. jar or both. It would be a great opportunity to teach even the youngest child about saving a portion of those monetary gifts in order to be able to “purchase” something that they really want. We all know we are raising a generation of children who pretty much get everything they want with little effort being put forth. This is a good life lesson to teach them now, so that when they are in college or out on their own, that they truly understand there was no endless money tree in your backyard. They certainly may not be able to pay for the entire trip, but just think how good it will make them feel to have saved enough money to help with the “purchase” of two trips that will leave them with a lifetime of terrific memories.

As we celebrate St. Patrick's Day this Sunday, I leave you with an excerpt from the famous prayer attributed to St Patrick:

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,  
Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,  
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,  
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down, Christ when I arise,  
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,  
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,  
Christ in every eye that sees me,  
Christ in every ear that hears me.

May grace and blessings be in your path,  
Maureen Miscavish

### **Important Registration Information**

The 10 month tuition payment plan for 2019-2020 school year is from March 15, 2019 until December 15, 2019. Your tuition will now be divided by 9 payments. **You may include March's payment with your paperwork. Make your check payable to 'St. Mary School'.** If you are planning to pay in full, full tuition minus 1.5% must be submitted with your registration paperwork. Tuition for 2018-19 must be paid in full before 2019-20 can be processed.



### **TUITION ASSISTANCE**

**Archdiocese Tuition Assistance Grant** information and application is available on our website, [www.stmarymtclemens.com](http://www.stmarymtclemens.com) for Kindergarten-12th grade. Your application with all information and documentation must be submitted online only by April 30, 2019 in order for your application to be considered for the first level. The Pastor Signature Form can be picked up in the school office and should be sent to Mrs. Miscavish for submission. Please note, tuition assistance is available for high school students as well.

**St. Peter Parish Tuition Assistance** forms are available in the school office. The application and required documents must be submitted to the school office, 'Attention Mrs. Miscavish' by April 20, 2019. You must be a St. Peter Parishioner and submit the Archdiocese Tuition Assistance Grant application to be considered.

### **Volunteer Hour Information**

The end of the school year is approaching quickly! Do you have your three lunch duties completed? How about your 12 volunteer hours? If so, please send in your completed Volunteer Hours Log (available in the office, or on the website under "Downloads") to the office. Your obligation will be complete, but you are welcome to volunteer any time.

If you haven't completed your hours at this time, an email will be sent letting you know what we have logged up to this point. If there is a discrepancy, please let Sherry Dempsey ([sdempsey@stmarymtclemens.com](mailto:sdempsey@stmarymtclemens.com)) know. Volunteers are always welcome, and needed especially in our lunch room. We appreciate all of your help.



**“Snow Body Loves You” Food Drive**  
**March 11–20**

(No glass containers)

Preschoolers & Kindergarten: Individual wrapped snacks (cookies, crackers, etc.)  
 1<sup>st</sup> Grade: Canned Soup or Broth  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Canned fruits or vegetables  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Cold Cereal, Oatmeal or Cream of Wheat  
 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Peanut Butter or Jelly  
 5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Pasta, Rice, or Macaroni & Cheese  
 6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Tuna, Chicken or other Meat  
 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Ravioli, Canned Spaghetti or Sauce  
 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Laundry Soap, Dish Soap or Fabric Softener



**SPRING CONCERT**

Spring Concert for grades 3 –8 will take place on Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at the Macomb Center. Four tickets per family for grades 3-8 will be coming home next Wednesday.

**OPEN HOUSE**

Open House for current and new families is Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-3:00 PM. Please encourage your friends and family to check us out. Any current family that refers a new family will receive a \$125.00 tuition credit.



**Mark your Calendar  
Electronic Recycling**

In keeping with our Green School efforts, we will be holding our annual electronics recycling on March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9-12 and March 24<sup>th</sup> from 11-3. Please check your inbox for more information and a list of what types of items can be dropped off.

**Save the Date**

- Mar. 21 ~ Pierce 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation & Reception
- Mar. 22 ~ Sulek 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation & Reception
- Mar. 22 ~ End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter
- Mar. 24 ~ Open House for Current Families & E-cycling
- April 3 ~ Report Cards
- April 4 ~ Spring Concert
- April 5 ~ No School
- April 12 ~ Honors, Earth Day Paraliturg
- April 18-28 ~ No School -Easter Break
- April 30 ~ AOD Tuition Assistance due for 1<sup>st</sup> Tier
- April 29–May 3 ~ Spring Book Fair
- May 1 ~ 4yr Preschool V.I.P. Day - 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Practice Minoletti
- May 3 ~ Kindergarten - 8 V.I.P. Day
- May 5 ~ 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion - Mrs. Minoletti
- Mat 8 ~ 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Practice Beffa
- May 10 ~ Kindergarten Tea -No Cafeteria Service
- May 12 ~ 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion - Mrs. Beffa
- May 17 ~ May Crowning - Mother - Son Outing
- May 24 ~ 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Passing On - Noon Dismissal
- May 27 ~ No School—Memorial Day
- May 31 ~ Kindergarten & 4 yr. Preschool Graduation
- June 1 ~ 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation
- June 4 ~ Fun Day - Noon Dismissal
- June 5 ~ Mass & Honors

St. Peter Parish will be hosting a  
**Protecting God’s Children**  
**Workshop**

in the Parish Hall on  
Thursday, May 23, 2019  
Registration and a light meal  
will begin at 5:30 p.m.  
The workshop will begin promptly  
at 6:00 p.m.  
To register, please visit  
[www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org) or call the Parish  
Office at 586-468-4578



**SAVE THE DATE**  
**Mother - Son Outing**

Mark your calendars for an evening out with your son on Friday, May 17. Our Mother-Son Outing will be held at Jimmy John's Field in Utica, game time 7:05. Watch for ticket details to come . . .

**March 20—No lunch service**  
**Bring bag lunch and drink**

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.

### Attendance Reminder

Please email the school office at  
**attendance@stmarymtclemens.com**  
before 9:00 am when your child is going to be late or absent.  
*You may email the teacher, but you **MUST** notify the office.*

### Weekly Highlights

#### Thursday, Mar. 14

NJHS Tutoring Team C 3:10-4:00  
Advanced Readers Book Club  
Newspaper Club  
Gr. 5-8 Maturation  
- Boys 6:00 PM  
- Girls 7:00 PM

#### Friday, Mar. 15

Mass at SP Gr. 1-8  
\$1.00 Jeans Day  
—St Patrick's Day/St. Joseph

#### Sunday, Mar. 17

Second Sunday of Lent  
St. Patrick's Day

#### Monday, Mar. 18

Mass at SMS Gr. 5-8  
Gr. 5 Camp Meeting for Parents 6:30

#### Tuesday, Mar. 19

St. Joseph's Day  
Bagel Day  
Gr. 8 Fr. Solanus Casey Center  
Little Mountaineers 12:30-2:00  
Art Club Gr. 5-8, 3:10-4:00  
Children's Choir 3:10-4:00

#### Wednesday, Mar. 20

Spring Begins  
Mass at SMS Kdg. – Gr. 4  
No Lunch Service – Bring Lunch & Drink

#### Coming Home

Pink Note  
Daddy Daughter Dance Photos

#### E-mailed Home

Summer Solutions Order  
Reading with Rosco

### Summer Solutions

Don't let your child experience the "summer slide". Consider purchasing a Summer Solutions workbook! Go to [www.summersolutions.net](http://www.summersolutions.net) to place your order. Use school code MAR48043 before May 12, 2019. Check your email for more information.

### The St. Peter Dynamic Parish



The Turning Point  
A Gospel of John Bible Study  
Come to 4:00 Mass, followed by dinner in the Fr. Welch Hall and then the bible study. Register at <http://bit.ly/parishbiblestudy>  
Cost is \$15 per participant  
March 23, April 6 & 27  
Check the flyer that was emailed 1-3-19 for more information.



### STUDENT STORE

Student Council Student Store travels through the halls and to the classrooms with school supplies on the following days

Thursday, March 21 - grades 5-8  
Thursday, March 28 - grades 3-4  
Thursday, April 11 - grades 5-8  
Wednesday, April 17 - grades 3-4  
Thursday, May 9 - grades 5-8  
Thursday, May 16 - grades 3-4

### St. Peter ROCK Middle School Youth Group

The Youth Group Middle School meeting is this Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. Check the ROCK website for more information.  
<https://rockyouthmin.weebly.com/>  
Check out the website of our parish youth group to see what is going on!

## Box Tops for Education

Thank you for all the Box Tops for Education that have been turned in. 3405 were turned in for this collection period! Congratulations to Mrs. Beffa's class for the highest number of Box Tops sent in! Mrs. Beffa's class will receive a free jeans day!

3yr AM — DiGiuseppe : 93  
3yr PM — DiGiuseppe : 40  
4yr AM — DiGiuseppe : 35  
4yr PM — DiGiuseppe : 0  
4yr Pre. — Chalk : 171  
Kdg. — Kern/Frawley : 176  
Kdg. — Francis : 0  
Gr. 1 — Child : 98  
Gr. 1 — Azar : 94  
Gr. 2 — Beffa : 534  
Gr. 2 — Minoletti : 209  
Gr. 3 — Barkus : 0

Gr. 3 — Perzanowski : 0  
Gr. 4 — Pierce : 117  
Gr. 4 — Sulek : 219  
Gr. 5 — Sorgeloos : 69  
Gr. 5 — Venditto : 100  
Gr. 6 — Griffore : 75  
Gr. 6 — Kroha : 75  
Gr. 7 — Sheils : 164  
Gr. 7 — Belknap : 41  
Gr. 8 — Falk : 55  
Gr. 8 — Upchurch : 239



## Camp Sancta Maria

Camp Sancta Maria is honored to have a role in the process of forming young Christian lives. At Camp Sancta Maria, your son will experience 1 – 2 weeks full of fun, personal growth and spiritual development in a technology free zone. Their time at camp is filled with activities for everyone: horseback riding, swimming, ropes course, sports, arts and crafts and more. But most importantly, their time at CSM balances out the physical activities with a strong spiritual environment, with campers attending daily Mass, praying the angelus and having quiet time to reflect on their relationship with Christ. To learn more about Camp Sancta Maria or to register, visit [CampSanctaMaria.aod.org](http://CampSanctaMaria.aod.org)