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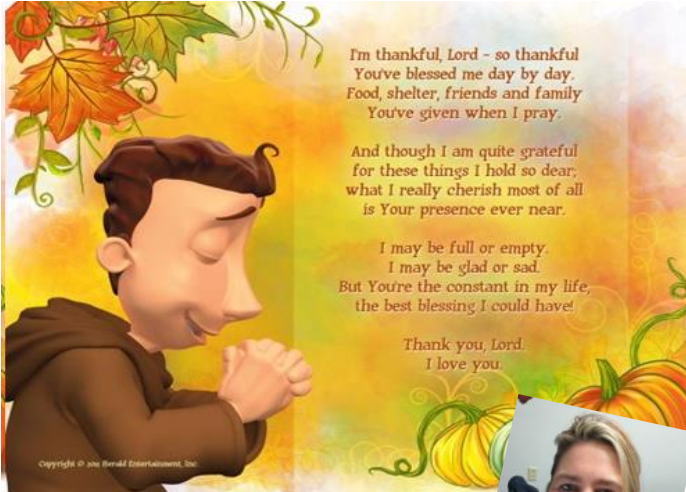
November 2023

I can't believe it's November already! This first quarter went so fast! We have all made many memories with field trips, Blessing of the Animals, Esteban's Night Out, Halloween Carnival and growing in mind, heart, and spirit every day.



I am looking forward to the Saints' Museum, Family Luncheon, the SMCS Book Fair, basketball, and so much more. I really love this time of year. It's a time to reflect on all that I am thankful for: family, friends and faith.

Thank you for being a part of the SMCS family! This Thanksgiving I will be thankful for our community of faith. May God bless you and your family.



Blessings,

Mrs. Halbardier



FIRST SUNDAY MASS



Students who attend any Mass in person wearing full dress uniform will earn **free dress** the following **Monday**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Time	Activity
Nov 1		St. Mary's Ofrenda Display
Nov 3	8:30 AM	Saints Museum
Nov 4—5		First Sunday Mass
Nov 9	6—8 PM	Lyrics & Legos
Nov 11—12		Annual Appeal Kick Off
Nov 13—17		Discover Catholic Schools Week
		Book Fair
Nov 17		Mid-Term
		Family Luncheon
Nov 20—24		Thanksgiving Break— <i>No School</i>
Nov 26		Ladies Auxiliary Poinsettia Sale
Dec 2—3		First Sunday Mass
Dec 3		League City Christmas Parade
Dec 8	5:30—8 PM	Junior High Social
Dec 12		Christmas Program
Dec 14		Orchestra Program

BOOK FAIR

SMCS Library is hosting a book fair the week of **November 13—17**. Safe Haven trained volunteers are needed! Please contact [Mrs. Shipley](#) for more information.



ANNUAL APPEAL

SMCS will kick off the 2023-2024 Annual Appeal on the **weekend of November 11-12**. Students are encouraged to wear full dress and representatives from our school will speak at all Masses. Volunteers are needed in the vestibule of the church after Masses to answer questions.

The Annual Appeal helps fund all of St. Mary's activities and operations including salaries, facility costs, scholarships and more. All donations are tax-deductible and may be matched by employers. Please consider making a contribution to support our school. Contact [Mrs. Halbardier](#) for information and to sign up to volunteer.



LEGOS AND LYRICS

SMCS is hosting a Mother and Son Event on

November 9 from 6:00-8:00 pm in the Ministry Building, Anunciation Hall. Join us for a fun

night of Lego building and karaoke. The price is \$10 for moms, \$15 for sons, and \$10 for each additional son. This includes dinner and a Lego set for the sons. Please contact

[Patricia Richards](#) to reserve your spot.



THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

We are collecting food items for the St. Mary Catholic Church Food Pantry **November 6—15**. For every item donated, students will have their name entered in our drawing. First, Second, and Third place will be drawn November 15. Prizes are: 1st – Turkey; 2nd – Ham; 3rd – Pie. The class with the most donations will have a movie and PJ day scheduled by their teacher.



CHRISTMAS PARADE

SMCS will participate in the League City Christmas Parade on **December 3**.

Volunteers for the parade committee are needed, please contact [Mrs. Halbardier](#) if you are interested in helping design and decorate the school float.



ADVENT SALES

SMCS will be selling Vermont Christmas Company chocolate and sticker Advent Calendars, as well as Advent Wreaths and Candle sets. All proceeds go towards the school. Contact [Brenda Retif](#) for more information.



FAMILY LUNCHEON

The SMCS Family Luncheon is on **Friday, November 17th**! **All adults planning to attend the luncheon must be Safe Haven trained.** Plan ahead and [check your Safe Haven status!](#) SMCS Crafternoon Wreaths Silent Auction will end at the luncheon. Watch your inboxes and SMCS social media for upcoming details about ordering meals and the full schedule for the Family Luncheon. Forms have been sent home and are due **November 10**.



CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The SMCS Christmas Program will be on **Tuesday December 12th**. Be on the lookout for more information from homeroom teachers and [Ms. Garza](#).



PRAYER AND MASS INFORMATION

Week	Class Leading Morning Prayer	Class Serving as Gift Bearers	Class Serving as Minister of the Word
Nov 6—10	Mrs. McCarthy	Mrs. Lopez	6 th Grade
Nov 13—17	Miss Gonzalez	Mrs. Mellado	7 th Grade
Nov 22—24	No School	No School	No School
Nov 27—Dec 1	Mrs. Whatley	Mrs. Keaten	Mrs. Keaten & 8 th Grade
Dec 4—8	Mrs. Ovalle	Mrs. Davila	Mrs. Davila & 7 th Grade

DISCOVER CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK



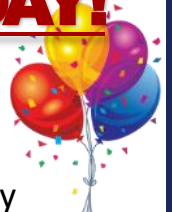
The week of **November 13—17** our school will be participating in [Discover Catholic Schools week](#). DCSW helps schools connect with prospective families, donors, and educators. Let's showcase what makes Catholic Schools the best!

STEPS FOR STUDENTS

STEPS FOR STUDENTS SMCS Steps for Students registration has begun! All funds raised go directly to SMCS. Our goal is \$25,000— [please sign up today!](#)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

November 18 Miss Tolman
 November 20 Mrs. Sisson
 December 4 Mrs. Whitney



SAVE THE DATE!

St. Mary Catholic School is hosting a Golf Tournament! Get your team ready for a day of golf and fundraising.



THANK YOU

... All Field Trip Drivers.
 ... Halloween Carnival Organizers and Volunteers.
 ... Springrose, Vadhera, Sipila-Garcia, and Panes families for volunteering to speak at Discover Catholic Schools week
 ... Volleyball Coaches for a great season!

Bay Area Catholic High School Survey

Are you interested in a new Catholic High School in the Bay Area? We need **YOUR** input!

A critical step in our feasibility study is to conduct a survey of the community. Whether you have school age children or not, this is your opportunity to provide input. Please consider giving us less than **15 minutes** of your time.



Scan the QR code with your mobile device's camera!

Follow our progress on Facebook: @Bay Area Catholic High School (BACHS)

RESOURCES

ParentsWeb (FACTS, grades, lunch ordering)
stmy-tx.client.renweb.com/pwr
 Teacher's Friday Letters
<https://www.stmarylc.org/academics/newsletters.cfm>
 St. Mary Facebook Page
www.facebook.com/stmarylc