



Hello SMCS Family,

What a wonderful beginning to fall at SMCS! The SMCC Bazaar was a success.

There was so much fun, laughter and fellowship at the event! We have collected over 500 items for the food pantry in less than 2 weeks! Fall sports ended successfully. Red Ribbon Week was a great week of celebrating healthy choices. I am really looking forward to our Halloween Carnival! I can't wait to have volunteers back in the building to support this great event.

This fall I am thankful for so many things. There is lots to celebrate and blessings to be thankful for. I am so thankful for our wonderful community! I continue to pray for health, peace and happiness for all.

Blessings,

Mrs. Halbardier



UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Time	Activity
Nov. 1	8:30 am	All Saints Day Mass and Living Saints Museum
Nov. 3	2:00 pm	Early Dismissal
Nov. 6-7	All Masses	First Sunday Mass
Nov. 8-12		Book Fair
Nov. 22-26	No school	Thanksgiving Break
Nov. 30	6:00 pm-8:00 pm	SMCS Board meeting
Dec. 1		Archdiocesan Tuition Assistance Program applications open
Dec. 3	8:30 am	Grades 3-5 have confession with Fr. John after school Mass
Dec. 3		Sports photos and student individual photo make-ups
Dec. 4		League City Christmas Parade
Dec. 7	7:00 pm	School Christmas Program in church

SERVICE HOURS OPPORTUNITY



Junior high students will have a fun opportunity to earn service hours in a car wash event from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM on Saturday, Nov. 6th in the school parking lot. Parishioners are encouraged to bring a donation to the parish non-perishable food bank in exchange for a car wash on that day. We need volunteers to collect the food donations, wash cars, dry cars, and possibly staff vacuum stations. Supplies are still needed. Contact [Mrs. Higgins](#) to volunteer.

DISCOVER CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK



November 14th—20th is a week to showcase SMCS to prospective students and families in our community. Be on the lookout for volunteer opportunities to help spread the word about our fantastic school.

STEPS FOR STUDENTS

Mark your calendars for February 22nd, 2022! Steps for Students is the Diocese's largest fundraising drive for Catholic Schools with all SMCS pledged funds coming back to our school. Our goal is \$20,000 fundraising and 100% student participation. [Register now](#) to get the early bird registration price of \$15. We will have our annual SMCS Steps for Students celebration at school on February 14th, 2022.



PARENTS IN PRAYER

Our new SMCS prayer group, Parents in Prayer, meets in the church every Wednesday at 8:00AM. All parents, grandparents and friends of SMCS are invited to participate! Please contact [Alison Howes](#) with any questions regarding this wonderful ministry!



FIRST COMMUNION FAMILY FESTIVAL

Saturday, November 20th at the League City Civic Center the Shop at Stella Maris Center is hosting a First Communion Exhibition. Come to shop for dresses/suits, First Communion accessories, and enjoy refreshments and music. Free admission, [registration required](#).



FOOD DRIVE

Nov. 8th -17th SMCS will be collecting non-perishable Thanksgiving food items for the parish food bank. Prizes will be awarded to the students that bring in the most food items. 1st place will receive a turkey, 2nd place will receive a ham, and 3rd place will receive a pie. Let's help those in need this holiday season.



FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to these fundraisers!

- [Kroger Community Rewards](#) (Organization Number UV373) \$256.87
- School Supplies fundraiser \$211.41
- P.E. and Athletics fundraiser \$1490.40



SMCS ATHLETICS

Great job SMCS Athletes! The Fall 2021 Cross Country, Soccer, and Volleyball seasons were a success. We are looking forward to Basketball this winter and Track and Field in the spring. Contact [Ms. DeLeon](#) for volunteer opportunities and spring sports information.



CHILDREN'S ROSARY GROUP

SMCS families are invited to join the parish Children's Rosary Group. Meet at the [SMCS School Library](#), on the first Saturday of every month at 3 PM. Contact [Sarah Romero](#) for information.



BOOK FAIR

SMCS Library will host its annual Book Fair on Nov. 8th-12th. It will open at 9:00 AM daily. On Wednesday, the Book Fair will stay open until 6:00 PM. The grand event, "Christmas on the Train" will be on Friday afternoon. The Book Fair closes at 2:00 PM on Friday. All are welcome! Volunteers are needed in the mornings, Wednesday night, and Friday. Please contact [Mrs. Pate](#) for more details.



SAINT'S MUSEUM AND PROCESSION

ALL SAINTS' DAY Monday, November 1st the SMCS 2nd and 3rd grade classes will present their Saint projects during the school's All Saint's Day Mass. Come see our little Saints show off their hard work!

HOLIDAY IN THE PARK GRAND NIGHT PARADE

Saturday, December 4th SMCS will be participating in the League City Holiday in the Park parade. All who are interested in helping create the school's parade float should contact [Mrs. Halbardier](#).



RED RIVER FUNDRAISER

Nov. 9th ALL DAY eat at Red River BBQ and Grill and raise money for SMCS. Present the flyer and 10% of all proceeds will go to SMCS!

BEFORE/AFTER CARE



Before Care starts at 6:30 AM and After Care ends promptly at 5:30 PM. Parents will be charged a \$50.00/late pickup fee. This fee will start on the 3rd late pickup. If you are going to be late picking up your child; please call the office and let the BASP staff know.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

November 4	Jennifer Donaldson
November 20	Megan Sisson
November 29	Megan Miller



THANK YOU

... *Bazaar volunteers* for being generous with your time, talent, and treasure and contributing to the success of our parish bazaar
 ... *Halloween carnival volunteers* for making this long-standing SMCS tradition something our students look forward to every year



SAFE HAVEN ONLINE TRAINING

All adults who have regular contact with students including those eating lunch on campus, visiting the classroom, volunteering at school, driving for field trips, etc. are required to have Safe Environment training every 5 years. Access it at [CMG Connect](#).

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

PRAYER AND MASS INFORMATION

Week	Class Leading Morning Prayer	Class Bearing Gifts at Friday Mass
Nov. 1-5	Mrs. Lopez's 2 nd grade	Mrs. Castillo's 5 th grade
Nov. 8-12	Mrs. Jimnez's 1 st grade	Mrs. Little 5 th grade
Nov. 15-19	Mrs. Ovalle's 1 st grade	Mrs. Donaldson's 6 th grade
Nov. 29- Dec. 3	Mrs. Whatley's kindergarten	Mrs. Croniser's 6 th grade