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Parent Newsletter

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MISSION STATEMENT

The St. Mary Catholic School community empowers students to grow spiritually, academically, creatively, and physically so they may experience, understand and live their responsibilities to God, family, community and self.

Welcome!

This is the first of many parent letters, which will be sent out electronically every Friday. This week, everyone will receive a paper copy also to ensure that all email addresses work. **If you did not receive this letter via email, please let me know and I will check/correct your address.** If you would like to receive a paper copy, let me know and I will send one home in your child's Friday folder. Should you have other members of your family (aunts/uncle/grandparents/caregivers) who might like to receive this letter, please let me know and we can add them to the list as well.

FORMS: There are many handbook forms that were sent electronically. Please fill these out as soon as possible. Please send a note to your teacher informing them of the plans for your child at the end of the day.

MASKS: We have a variety of children size masks available for free. Please let Mrs. Dvoracek know if you would like a spare or two.

HOMEWORK HELP: We offer homework help for students in grades 2-8 every day after school until 3:45. A different teacher is available each day to supervise and to give students a quiet place to work on homework. Please encourage your child to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity. Once in homework help they will stay there until a parent picks them up or homework help ends. If they are not picked up by the end of homework help (3:45) they will be sent to our extended care and you will be billed \$3 per hour per child. Please keep in mind that homework help is truly homework help.

EXTENDED CARE: We offer extended care for all students after school until 5:30. If you would like to utilize this program, please sign up with Mrs. Baldwin. This is a very popular program and space is limited. Parents must sign up to take advantage of this service.

T-SHIRTS: We will be providing each student with a St. Mary t-shirt. These may be worn for gym class (students change into them and then back into their uniform) and can be worn on blue jean days. We are guessing at the size – please check it out and us know if you need a different size.

Jean Day: Friday, September 11 will be our first Jean Day. Students may wear jeans with a St. Mary School Shirt for a donation (monetary or food) to the Charlevoix Food Pantry.

HOT LUNCH and MILK: Hot lunch will be offered on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday each week. The price is \$3 per lunch. **Please sign up and pay through FACTS.** Milk is available at lunch every day for \$20 per year.

Week at a glance.....				
Monday, September 7	Tuesday, September 8	Wednesday, September 9	Thursday, September 10	Friday, September 11
Labor Day No School	Hot Lunch Pizza ART and SPANISH	8:30am Student Mass Hot Lunch: Chicken Alfredo	Hot Lunch: Soup and Sandwich	Jean Day/with St. Mary Shirt with donation to the Food Pantry
STEM/MUSIC	No PM Bussing	MUSIC	P.E	MS MUSIC
Pray for all laborers	Pray for Andrew C. Browe/Anderson	Pray for Norah S. Jess/Donaldson	Pray for Kori M. Peak/Bingham	Pray for Mrs. Dvoracek Crockett/

Upcoming dates:

September 9: 8:30 Student Mass – parents are welcome!
 September 11: Jean Day (w/any St. Mary Shirt) donation to the Food Pantry
 September 23: 5:30pm SAC meeting
 September 28: Picture Day

Extended Care Help Needed

St. Mary School is hiring an Extended Care Supervisor. This is an up to 5 day per week position from 2:50 to 5:00 or 5:30 each day. Please contact Mrs. Dvoracek if you are anyone you know is interested.