

**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.

**Jean Day:** Next Friday will have another Jean Day. The students who bring in a pair of adult socks may wear jeans and any Christmas shirt. The socks will be donated. Thank you for teaching your children to give those in need.

**Spaghetti Dinner:** St. Mary School is having a Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser TONIGHT from 5pm to 7pm. The meal will be take out only.

**Friday, December 18** our student will be eating in their classrooms. Please send a cold lunch that does not need to be microwaved, if possible.

**Music Program:** Mr. Carrano is working on taping our students for our Christmas program. He plans to have it ready for press after next week.

**Advent:** This Sunday is Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete is a Latin word that means "rejoice!" The candle on our Advent Wreath for this week is rose colored rather than purple. This is meant to lift our spirits and rejoice. Each week we light an additional candle. The light gradually increases as we move toward the coming of Jesus, the Light of the World. Happy Advent!

**Help needed:** We are still looking for help on Fridays for lunch duty. Also, next week, we could use an extra person on Tuesday and Wednesday.

**Reservations for Christmas Masses:** You may call the office to make reservations for Christmas Mass.

Week at a glance.....				
Monday, December 14	Tuesday, December 15	Wednesday, December 16	Thursday, December 17	Friday, December 18
	Hot Lunch: Chicken Pot Pie ART and SPANISH	Hot Lunch: Spaghetti 8:30am Student MAss	Hot Lunch: Soup and Sandwich	Jean Day/with Christmas shirt with donation to the of Adult Socks
Pray for Elsa	Pray for Evie	Pray for Connor	Pray for Bella	Pray for Patrick
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**Upcoming dates:**

December 11: 5-7pm Spaghetti Dinner – take out only  
 December 16: 8:30am Student Mass  
 December 21: Christmas Vacation begins  
 December 25: Merry Christmas!  
 January 1: Happy New Year!  
 January 4: School Resumes

**Parish News**

**ADVENT EVENT**



5:30pm Advent Formation Series  
 The Search on formed.org (via zoom)  
 Please call the office to sign up.