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Parent Newsletter

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.

Apple Fest: Thank you to all who worked and/or donated baked goods. Stop down and say hello when you are downtown.

Home and School: Please mark your calendar for a very special Home and School event. All of our students are working on projects or performances of our Festival of Saints which will be held Thursday, October 27 from 6:00 to 7:00pm. This is a family evening, and all students will be involved. We hope that you are all planning to attend

Shorts: Today was the last day for students to wear shorts.

Halloween Parties: We will have parties in the classrooms on October 31st. Room parents should contact teachers to help organize this. Costumes must be Catholic School appropriate, which means no witch costumes, or anything related to witchcraft (including Harry Potter Characters), devil costumes, blood and gore or weapons. If you are unsure, please ask!

Sacrament Prep: Sacrament Preparation classes begin in October! If you have a child in First Grade, please contact Liz Gengle to sign up for Year I Sacrament Preparation. Year II Sacrament Preparation (2nd grade students) for Students and Parents will meet Monday, Oct. 24 from 6:00pm-7:30pm. Year III Sacrament Preparation (3rd grade students) for Students and Parents will meet on Wednesday, Oct. 26 from 6:00pm-7:30pm. Please RSVP to the Faith Formation office at St. Mary's Parish for these meetings.

Sacraments: If you would like to learn more about becoming Catholic or having your child receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, First Eucharist and First Reconciliation, please contact the Liz Gengle at egengle@stmaryschoolcharlevoix.org or at 231.547.6652, ext. 105.

Youth Group: High School and Middle School Youth Ministry for grades 6-12 will meet this Sunday, Oct. 16 from 6-8pm at St. Mary Parish! Students are invited to join us for a 2 hour meeting packed with sports, time with friends, the new series on the Mass called Altaration from Ascension Press, group discussion, icebreakers, prayer, and great food! If you have a student in grades 6-12, they are invited to participate in our Middle School and High School Youth Ministry Program at St. Mary's. Contact Liz Gengle at egengle@stmaryschoolcharlevoix.org to have your name added to the youth ministry email list.

PICTURES: You still have time to place orders online at www.geskusphoto.com/fallorders. Our school's code is 651IELJSHPIQH. Retakes are scheduled for November 10.

Week at a glance				
Monday, October 17	Tuesday, October 18	Wednesday, October 19	Thursday, October 20	Friday, October 21
K-7 Computers		8:30am Student Mass	Hot Lunch: Soup and	2/3 and K/1 Art
2/3 and 6/7 Art	Hot Lunch: Pizza	Hot Lunch: Spaghetti	Sandwich	K-7 Stem
	K/1 Art	2/3, 4/5 and 6/7 Art	K/1 and 4/5 Art	
8:20am Rosary	P.E.	11:30 Builders Club	K-7 Music	
Pray for Avi	Pray for Mackenzie	Pray for Caroline	Pray for Matthew B.	Pray for Lillian
Pirie: Kline; Scheller	Browe; Bernier; Splitt	Jess; Peak	Bingham; Stewart	Mailloux; Shoemaker

Upcoming Dates:

October 14-15: Apple Fest Bake Sale October 19: 8:30am Student Mass

October 25: 5:30pm SAC

October 27: 6pm Festival of Saints

November 1: All Saints Day Mass at 8:30am (full day of School for St. Mary Students)

November 3: MS Students leave for Rome

November 6: Fall Back – daylight savings time ends