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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.

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

Halloween Parties: We will have parties in the classrooms on October 29th. 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!

Wreaths: Sales for our wreath fundraiser begins today. All orders and money must be turned in on or before November 4th. Paperwork will be in your child's Friday folders. Wreaths will be delivered on Tuesday, November 22nd. Please help us to make this a successful fundraiser by selling as many wreaths as you can.

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.

Pancake Breakfast: We will have another monthly pancake breakfast on November 6th. Please sign up if you are able to help: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c45abab2eaafdc25-pancake>

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..... | | | | |
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| Monday, October 24 | Tuesday, October 25 | Wednesday, October 26 | Thursday, October 27 | Friday, October 28 |
| K-7 Computers 2/3 and 6/7 Art 8:20am Rosary | Hot Lunch: Sloppy Joes K/1 Art P.E. 5:30pm SAC Meeting | 8:30am Student Mass Hot Lunch: Chicken Pot Pie 2/3, 4/5 and 6/7 Art 11:30 Builders Club | Hot Lunch: Soup and Sandwich K/1 and 4/5 Art K-7 Music 6pm Festival of Saints | 2/3 and K/1 Art K-7 Stem |
| Pray for Noah | Pray for Zella | Pray for Sadie | Pray for Kate | Pray for Parker |
| Pirie; Olson; Perry | Browe; Splitt | Jess; Peak | Bingham; Stewart | Mailloux; Shoemaker |

Upcoming Dates:

October 25: 5:30pm SAC
October 26: 8:30am Student Mass
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
November 6: Pancake Breakfast
November 8: Election Day. Don't forget to vote!
November 10: Picture Retakes
November 23-25: No School – Thanksgiving break
December 22: Half day of School – Dismiss at 11:15am
December 22-January 2: No School – Christmas break