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**Parent Newsletter**

**November 18, 2022**

**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.


**Wreaths:** Wreaths will be delivered on Tuesday and will be available for pick up in the afternoon. Please make time in your day to get your orders that afternoon as we do not have school on Wednesday.

**Pickleball:** We will be offering instructional pickleball lessons for 4-7 grade students. Pickleball will be after school until 5pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays in December, beginning December 8<sup>th</sup> and ending December 20<sup>th</sup>. Please let the office know if your child will be participating in this after school event.

**Swim Lesson Scholarships Available:** Charlevoix Community Pool has a limited number of Group Swim Lesson Scholarships available in 2022-23 thanks to a grant from the Charlevoix County Community Foundation and the Chicago Club. The scholarship includes one group swim lesson package (usually 6 classes) along with five vouchers to use the pool during Open Swim to practice swimming skills. Once awarded, the scholarship may be used from Nov 2022 to June 1, 2023, and the open swim pool time vouchers can be used at any time within 12 months of taking the swim lessons. Group swim lesson dates are posted on their website and pre-registration is needed. January 2023 class times are now posted. You can register online if you are NOT using a scholarship. If using a scholarship, you must come to the pool in person to fill out an application. **QUALIFICATIONS FOR A SCHOLARSHIP - Two Levels of Scholarships are Available: SCHOLARSHIP ONE - Income and residency dependent • Student must be a resident of the Charlevoix or Boyne City school districts. Student may be attending any school -- public school, home schooled, catholic school or Montessori school. Toddlers and infants also qualify for these scholarships. • Student must qualify for free or reduced lunch to be considered for this scholarship. Ask us for information if you are not sure your child qualifies for the US Free or Reduced lunch program. • Parent or Guardian must agree to arrange for student transportation to the swim lessons and make every effort to bring the student to ALL group swim lessons during the session period. SCHOLARSHIP TWO - Available to any student, regardless of income, that resides in the Charlevoix School District. Toddlers and Infants qualify for this scholarship. Scholarships are available courtesy of a grant from the Chicago Club in Charlevoix, as administered by the Charlevoix County Community Foundation. If you have any questions, please call pool manager Kathy Klimas at 231-547-0982 or email [Kathy@charlevoixpool.org](mailto:Kathy@charlevoixpool.org)**

**Mount McSaub:** Attached is a flyer regarding Ski and Snowboard Lessons. Registration opens on November 21 for session 1 and on December 19 for session 2. Go to [Charlevoix.recdesk.com](http://Charlevoix.recdesk.com) to register. Scholarships are available. Please contact Mrs. Dvoracek as soon as possible if you would like one.

**Pancake Breakfast:** The next pancake breakfast will be Sunday, December 4th with 2nd and 3rd grade parents leading. Please sign up here if you are able to help: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c45abab2eaafdc25-december>

Week at a glance.....				
Monday, November 21	Tuesday, November 22	Wednesday, November 23	Thursday, November 24	Friday, November 25
K-7 Computers 2/3 and 6/7 Art	Hot Lunch: Turkey and Mashed Potatoes 8:30am Student Mass K/1 Art P.E. Wreath Pick Up	No School		No School
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**Upcoming Dates:**

- November 22: 8:30am School Mass
- November 22: Wreath Pick Up
- November 23-25: No School – Thanksgiving break
- December 14: School Christmas Program
- December 22: Half day of School – Dismiss at 11:15am
- December 23-January 2: No School – Christmas break