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**Parent Newsletter**

**November 3, 2023**

**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.

**Book Fair:** SMS will be hosting a Lowry's Book Fair November 8-13. We are looking for parent help to run it. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4DABA822A0FAC61-45680378-book>

**End of Marking Period and Parent/Teacher Conferences:** Today was the end of our first marking. Report cards will be sent home on Wednesday, November 8 and conferences will be held on Thursday, November 9. This will also be a half day of school, dismissing at 11:20am. A Sign Up Genius has been created to schedule your time:  
 Mrs. Michanowicz: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4DABA822A0FAC61-45840603-parentteacher>  
 Mrs. Smith: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4DABA822A0FAC61-45681583-parentteacher>  
 Miss Allen: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4DABA822A0FAC61-45840043-parentteacher>  
 Mrs. Walker: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4DABA822A0FAC61-45837539-parentteacher>  
 Mr. Solomon: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4DABA822A0FAC61-45839952-parentteacher>  
 Mrs. Prepejchal: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4DABA822A0FAC61-45840149-parentteacher>

**Wreaths:** All orders and money must be turned in on or before November 7th. Wreaths will be delivered on Monday, November 20th. Please help us to make this a successful fundraiser by selling as many wreaths as you can.

**November 8<sup>th</sup>:** On Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, our Middle School Students will be attending the March for Life Rally in Lansing, Please pray for the sanctity of life for all.

**Presentation:** We have a presentation on Monday entitled Bully No More. Please ask your children about this.

**Veterans Day:** On Friday, November 10, in honor of Veterans Day, our 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be walking down to the park for the Blue Star Wreath Laying Ceremony (10:30am) as well as the Veterans Day Presentation (11:00am). Please join us if you would like!

**Picture Re-takes:** Geskus will be here on Thursday, November 9 for school picture retakes. If you would like to have your child's picture retaken, please let Mrs. Joy and their teachers know and send the first set of photographs back with them.

**Daylight Savings time:** Daylight Savings Time ends this weekend. Don't forget to fall back!

Week at a glance.....				
Monday, November 6	Tuesday, November 7	Wednesday, November 8	Thursday, November 9	Friday, November 10
	Hot Lunch: Chicken Nuggets and Tater Tots P.E.	Hot Lunch: Beef Noodle Casserole Builders Club Report Cards Sent Home	Music ½ Day of School Dismiss at 11:20  Parent/Teacher Conference  Picture Retakes	Jean and St. Mary Shirt Day w/donation to the Food Pantry Veteran's Day Service in the park for 4-8 <sup>th</sup> grade ART
Pray for Maizy	Pray for Ensley	Pray for Carter	Pray for St. Mary Students	Pray for Emily Michanowicz
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**Upcoming Dates:**

- Friday, November 3: End of First Marking Period
- Sunday, November 5: Fall Back
- Monday, November 6: Bully No More Presentation
- Tuesday, November 7: Wreath Orders/Money Due
- Wednesday, November 8: Report Cards go home
- Wednesday, November 8: Book Fair Begins – After School
- Thursday, November 9: Picture Retake Day
- Thursday, November 9: ½ Day of School – Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Monday, November 13: Last Day of the Book Fair