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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.

**Hot Lunch:** Thank you to all who have signed up to help! We can use help on any day with only one parent.

January: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4CA8AB2BA7FFC16-60279346-lunch>

**Christmas Program:** What a Christmas Program! The students did an amazing job. A big thanks to Mrs. Anderson and all of our teachers who helped. A special thank you to Mrs. Anderson, who has worked hard to bring out the musical talents of our students.

**Gingerbread House Decorating:** Please join us **TONIGHT** to decorate gingerbread houses and a light dinner. We are asking each family to bring in a bag or two of candy to share. We are also looking for a few people willing to bring your favorite soup. <https://www.osvhub.com/stmarycharlevoix/forms/gingerbread2025>

**Cookie Walk:** This weekend is our annual Cookie Walk will be December after all Masses. **We need each family to make 4 dozen cookies.** Please avoid jellied icings, meringues and lace cookies. Also, chocolate chip cookies are easy, but too many are hard to sell. Holiday-themed cookies are the most popular. Fundraisers require participation from all parents to be successful. We keep our tuition down by doing fundraisers. We will be looking for volunteers to help out after Masses. Please let us know if you are available. Cookies can be dropped off that weekend all day Friday or Saturday. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4CA8AB2BA7FFC16-60571300-cookie>

**Movie:** On Friday, we will be going to the Charlevoix Cinema to watch David. Thank you to our special donor who is paying for all of our students fee for the movie, popcorn and drink! May God bless all who support our children!

**Thank you** to Mrs. Peterson and Mrs. Nordman from Charlevoix High School who brought their Health Occ students in today to work with our Prek-3<sup>rd</sup> grade students. They learned many things included including proper handwashing and the importance of exercise. Ask you Prek-3 grade student what they learned. Each student received a stuffed animal as well!

**Boys Basketball:** Come cheer on the Boys Basketball team last game. Tuesday they will be playing at Petoskey St. Francis.

**St. Mary Choir/Live Nativity:** Come support our 3-7th Grade Student Choir as they sign during the live Nativity at Castle Farms on Saturday, December 20th. We hope to see you there!

**Notice:** Even though our school does not contain asbestos materials, in compliance with the US Environmental Protection Agency Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1990, we have an asbestos management plan on file in the school administrative office. Everyone is welcome to view these at any time during normal school hours.

Week at a glance...				
Monday, December 15	Tuesday, December 16	Wednesday, December 17	Thursday, December 18	Friday, December 19
BB@Petoskey SF	P.E. Hot Lunch: Cheese Quesadillas BB@Boyne Falls	8:30am Mass Hot Lunch: Cheeseburger Macaroni	MUSIC Hot Lunch: Chicken Pot Pie Soup	ART Aftercare closes at 4pm
Pray for Mrs. Willson	Pray for Mrs. Hayes	Pray for Mrs. Baldwin	Pray for Miss Renee	Pray for Mrs. Keyser
Oboza	Perry; Brief	Perry	Snider	Oboza

Upcoming Dates:

12/12 5:30pm Gingerbread House Event  
12/13-14: Cookie Walk  
12/15 6pm Boys BB at Petoskey SF  
12/16 5:30pm Boys BB at Boyne Falls  
12/20-1/4 Christmas break  
1/5 School Resumes  
1/14 End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Marking Period  
1/15 ½ Day of School  
1/16 ½ Day of School