

September 28, 2017



Many thanks to all who made **Meet Me in the Middle** such an enjoyable and successful event!

Sunday is the first day of October, and so the beginning of our next **servant leadership focus**. October's theme is ATTITUDE. Sunday is also the beginning of **vocations awareness week**, so we ask you to keep SMCS alumni Sam Schultz, Jace Scheffler and Lexi Harbor, and SMM parishioner Patrick Costello, in your prayers! Pray for them and for all who are discerning their calling to serve as priests and sisters.

Are you interested in helping out with **fine arts** activities? Attend the ZFAB (Zephyrs Fine Arts Boosters) meeting on Wednesday, October 4 at 6:30 p.m. in the high school resource center.

Good luck to our **equestrian club** and our **high school math team**, both of which have their first competitions of the year during the next few days!

Highlights for the upcoming week include tonight's Soccer Grade School & Middle School Night tonight, CONNECT 5 on Saturday, the SMCS Campus Showcase and homecoming prayer service/pep rally on Sunday, and a week's worth of homecoming fun!

SMCS 2017-18 Calendar Updates

The following **additions and/or changes** were made to the calendar this week:

October 15	SMM Mother & Son Event (moved from 10/14)
October 26	SG Trunk 'n Treat
November 19	SMM Barnes & Noble Night
December 8	SG PTO Meeting
February 27	SG Muffins with Mom, Donuts with Dad

March 6
March 13

MS in-house Forensics for grades 6-8
Forensics @ MS for grades 5-8

Note: The PDF calendar is available for you to download by clicking on the link below. You may also click on specific items in the online calendar of upcoming events (on the right side of the screen on [our homepage](#)) to get more information such as the event selocation, times that have been provided and contact information.

[View our calendars](#)

New Important Information from SMCS Food Service

For families who receive free/reduced lunch: the free/reduced lunch benefit from the last school year carries over for 30 school days this year. This means that **if the food service office does not receive a 2017-18 free/reduced lunch application by October 10, your benefit will end.** [Click here to obtain the form.](#)

If you have already received a letter from the food service office stating your child was approved for free lunch this year, you can disregard this message. Thank you to all families that have already submitted an application for this school year.

New Lunchroom Help Needed

SMCS is currently looking for food service aide subs in our schools. Hours are 9:00 am-1:00 pm., and there is potential for this to turn into regular part-time employment if interested. [Apply online today!](#)

Updated CONNECT 5

Support SMCS students while getting fit and having fun! CONNECT 5, a noncompetitive run/walk will be held on **September 30, 2017** to raise funds for the St. Mary Catholic Schools Booster Club and fine arts programs.



It will begin and finish at the St. Mary Catholic Middle/High School campus. Entertainment will be provided after the event along with cash concessions for all to enjoy!

Online registration is now closed, but you may still register prior to the event on Saturday.

Volunteers are needed to help with concessions at this event. Those who volunteer will receive credit for the Booster Club volunteer requirement. High school students can volunteer for service hours. [Click here to sign up!](#)

Sunday! SMCS Campus Showcase

Are you curious about all of the changes at the SMCS main campus? Come check it out!

SMCS Campus Showcase

Sunday, October 1, 2017

4:30-5:30 p.m. Visit the middle school, fine arts education center, STEM Center and the high school (chapel, band room and resource center), where guides will be waiting to show you the highlights; *pick up your guide map in the FAEC lobby*



5:25 p.m. Gathering in the entryway to the new SMCS Fitness and Training Center

5:30 p.m. Brief appreciation and dedication ceremony, tour the new fitness facility

5:50 p.m. Members of the SMCS marching band will lead guest to the homecoming prayer service and pep rally! (Concessions will be available at Zephyr Fields)

Updated Scrip Update

Ordering school or team pictures? [Use Scrip](#) for Scanlan Studios, get your great photos AND pay off a bit of your tuition!



Last chance Zephyr Basketball Club Registration

[Online registration](#) for Zephyr Basketball Club is available online now through October 4.



Last call SMCS Family Directory

In order to provide the SMCS family directory for the 2017-18 school year, which will be available in early October, we are in need of additional sponsors. Please consider promoting your business to other SMCS families while helping to defray the cost of this project! Thank you to all who have already contributed.

Advertise your business or show your support by submitting your 2 x 3.5" business card or advertisement to the [director of communications](#) by **September 29, 2017**. Then, please send your check made payable to St. Mary Catholic Schools in the amount of \$25.00 to: SMCS Directory, 1050 Zephyr Drive, Neenah, WI 54956, or submit it to your school office.

Homecoming 2017

St. Mary Catholic High School's homecoming week activities have lots of special events for the whole family!



SMCHS will kick off homecoming week activities with a prayer service on **Sunday, October 1 at 6:00 p.m.** followed by a pep rally featuring a powder puff

football round robin tournament and the introduction of the homecoming court and the fall sports teams. This is a really fun event!

On **Friday, October 6**, please join us for the following activities:

Parade from Tri-County Ice Arena to St. Mary Catholic High School at 5:00 p.m.

S.A.L.T. Homecoming Tailgate Party at 5:30 p.m.

S.T.E.M. Center Open House at 6:00 p.m.

All-Alumni Gathering in the Jane Bergstrom Fine Arts Education Center at 6:00 p.m.

Varsity Football vs. Reedsville at 7:00 p.m.

For a peek at the fun things planned for SMCHS students during homecoming week, [click here](#). The competitions for other Zephyrs teams throughout the week are also listed there.

STEM Club Open House

Join us for the [SMCS Club Open House](#) on **Friday, October 6** (during the homecoming festivities)! Check out the facility and try the hands-on activities!

Fine Arts Family Feud Fundraiser

The survey says....! Join us on **Saturday, October 14** for a night of Family Feud fun when teams of students and teachers from grades 4-12 are pitted against each other to see who knows the most about SMCS! Hosted by our bigger-than-life personality, SMCHS Choir Director Spencer Jones, it'll be an evening of surprises, laughter and fun.

The evening begins with a social hour and doors opening at 6:00 p.m., followed by the show starting at 7:00 p.m. with "first come, first served" seating.

The team that raises the most money automatically advances to the championship round. Help your team (or all the teams!) get to the finals while you help SMCS fine arts program grow! Your support can be spread out over as many teams as you would like. [Click here](#) for direct access to online tickets (no searching for the event necessary)!

Zephyrs Gold

Someone will win these fabulous prizes, and it could be YOU!



*An upright freezer and \$300 gift card from The Meat Block

*A Toro single-stage snowblower

*A \$500 gift card from Scheels

*A 13-piece set of Circulon professional nonstick cookware & a \$300 Festival Foods gift card

*A Yeti Hopper 20 Cooler w/ drinkware and \$250 Pick 'n Save gift card

*A Weber Genesis gas grill and accessories

These are all prizes that you will be qualified to win in the monthly drawing (one prize per month, November-April) with the new ZEPHYRS GOLD fundraiser when you buy \$25 raffle tickets. With each ticket you purchase, you will be entered in ALL SIX DRAWINGS!

Now through November 10, tickets are available at all SMCS schools and can be counted toward the SMCS fundraising fee! They will also be available for purchase at Z-NIGHT. **The first drawing will take place at Z-NIGHT on November 11**, and then on the 11th of each month through April, but your tickets must be purchased by November 11. Sorry, raffle tickets cannot be sold online. [Check out the details!](#)

TASTE! A Brewfest Event



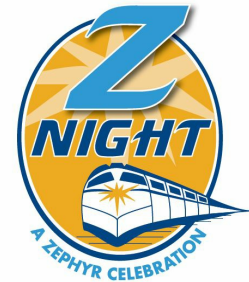
Gather up your Brewfest friends and plan a night out for some beer and bites! Join us at The Ballroom at the Reserve on **Friday, October 13 from 6:00-10:00 p.m.** for an evening of beer tasting paired with food from over 25 local food vendors, raffles and fun! Sample more than 40 handcrafted brews, plus wine, sodas and coffees.

Purchase tickets or sponsor the event by clicking on the link below. Tickets are also available at St. Gabriel Elementary School and Cellars Wine & Spirits.

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Z-NIGHT!

Please join us for Z-NIGHT (formerly Jumbo Gumbo) on **Saturday, November 11 from 6:30 -11:00 p.m. at Waverly Beach in Menasha.**



Z-NIGHT, a new event concept, promotes unity and fellowship among our entire SMCS community - alumni, school families, parishes and community supporters. With plenty of fun, raffle games, great food and the SMC Athletic Hall of Fame induction, Z-NIGHT will be a festive evening for all—whether current Zephyrs parents or Zephyrs friends. It will also be the first drawing of the [Zephyrs Gold raffle!](#)

All proceeds will go toward keeping SMCS among the best schools in the valley by contributing to the purchase of curriculum materials, maintaining our facilities and supporting our SMCS students.

[Click here](#) to register or to become a sponsor for Z-NIGHT.

In the Community

New St. Mary/St. John Youth Ministry is sponsoring a **Glo Night Lock-In** on Saturday, September 30. Click [here for details](#) and [here for a permission slip](#) for all SMSJ youth activities.

New Join the St. Mary /St. John Youth Ministry program for a bus trip to the Basilica of the National Shrine of Mary, Help of Christians for [A Day of Faith and Fellowship Just for Youth](#), on Saturday, October 7.

New St. Gabriel Parish is holding a fall festival on Saturday, November 4 after the 4:30 Mass. They will be serving a delicious chili/loaded baked potato/hotdog dinner. The drawing for our cash raffle will be held that evening, and bingo will follow. Raffle tickets are available in the entry of St. Gabriel Parish. We hope you can attend and/or sell raffle tickets, as this fundraiser is needed to offset parish operating expenses. Call Anne Greif at 722-4914 for details.

YMCA Classes for Youth 2018 [Boys Y-Ball](#), [Junior Y-Ball](#), [Youth Basketball](#)

Perpetual Adoration 20th Anniversary

The Twin Cities Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel is celebrating 20 years, and would like to invite you to attend the [celebration on October 7](#), and to consider making a regular visit to the chapel part of your prayer life.

An [ATV & snowmobile safety class](#) is being offered at Mercy Medical Center in Oshkosh & St. Elizabeth Hospital in Appleton in the upcoming months for children 12 and older. Younger children may take the course when accompanied by a parent.

[Fox Crossing Activities](#)

Fr. John Girotti presents part 1 of ["Why Loved Ones Leave the Church"](#) at St. Mary Parish in Menasha on Wednesday, November 15 at 6:00 p.m.

A presentation by experts in the fields of infertility, natural procreative ethics and technology will take place on Saturday, October 21 at 8:30 - noon at the Jane Bergstrom Fine Arts Education Center. The topic is ["Family Planning & Women's Health-What are the Choices."](#)

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