# ST. MARY ELEMENTARY WEEKLY UPDATE

DATE November 15, 2017







St. Mary Elementary

#### IMPORTANT DATES

Thur 11/16 Enrichment recital

Fri 11/17 8:10 Liturgy (1st gr)

Tue 11/28 Zephyrs spirit wear

School Store open

Wed 11/22 No School

Thanksgiving break

Mon 11/27 Classes resume

Wed 11/29 Cookie dough pick up

Fri 12/1 8:10 Liturgy (5th gr)

Sun 12/3 First Sunday of Advent

Mon 12/4 No school

Staff development

Fri 12/8 8:10 Liturgy (4th gr)

Mon 12/11 Christmas concert

Fri 12/15 8:10 Liturgy (3<sup>rd</sup> gr)

Tue 12/19 Band Concert

Fri 12/22 Christmas Break

Tue 1/2 Classes Resume

#### SMCS System Wide Information

Many flyers of the type that used to be attached to our school newsletter are now available via the links below, or <u>read the full system newsletter</u>.

**SMCS** calendar updates

Holiday Scrip

Enrichment Recital Wisconsin Singers

US Baseball Academy Clinic (Jan/Feb 2018)

2017-18 SMCS Annual Fund

<u>Job Opening</u>: Director of Marketing/Communications <u>Early Registration and Transition Year Discounts</u>

In the Community: <u>Santa is Coming</u>, <u>Free Thanksgiving Community Dinner</u>, "Why Loved Ones Leave the Church"

#### School Prayer Families

We believe in the power of prayer! Because we know that prayer can impact lives and families, each week we choose different families to pray for. This week we are praying for the Hernke, Hill & Lein families.

#### **Emergency Alert System**

SMCS uses an emergency alert system called Remind to let families know about school closings and critically important events. To receive text alerts only, text the message @9fg97 to the number 81010. If that does not work, text it to 920-933-1015. Normal text message rates charged by your carrier will apply. To receive email or other types of notifications, you may create an account at <a href="http://remind.com">http://remind.com</a>. Be assured that this system will be used only for very important notifications. In the event SMCS closes due to an emergency, all after school activities will either be cancelled or postponed. If you received the TEST alert text on Friday, November 10th, you are all set within the system and do not need to do anything further.



The cookie dough and miscellaneous items will be delivered on **Wednesday**, **Nov 29**<sup>th</sup>. **Please stop in the office between 2:45 and 3:15** to pick up your order.



#### Classroom Highlights

The second graders have been learning how to retell the important part of books that they have read. Recently they retold these books using forms of art which included plays and puppet shows.





We recently finished a unit on the government. They learned many new words and played government bingo to reinforce the new words they learned. They also did research on a patriotic symbol.







We have also been preparing for the sacrament of Reconciliation and will be ready to receive this important sacrament in early December.

### POPS Meeting Notes from November 13th, 2017

#### Halloween Party Wrap-Up

• The Halloween Party was a hit! Lots of good feedback this year as well as a few suggestions for next. A BIG THANK YOU to those parents involved in pulling off this great event!

#### Christmas Concert Fundraising Opportunity

• POPS is looking into a fundraiser at Tom's to coordinate with the Christmas Concert on 12/11. Many people go out for ice cream after the concert already, and we will look at a time frame to include dinner before the event as well. Stay tuned for more details!

#### Sweets with Santa (12/17)

POPS is organizing a Sweets with Santa event after the 10:30a Mass on Sunday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>. More details to come!

#### Winter Events

• POPS is planning to schedule a Roller Skating Night and a Bowling Night. There is also the possibility of a Pizza Making event. Dates will be released as soon as we have them.

#### St. Mary Elementary Mass & Celebration (1/14)

• Mark you calendars for January 14<sup>th</sup> to help celebrate our school's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

#### **December Meeting**

 Our December POPS meeting will be canceled as it falls on the same night as our Christmas Concert.

#### **Next Meeting Date**

• Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30p





### SMCS Enrichment Karate Shorei Kempo Workshop

- Open to all current SMCS students to attend!
- Prospective Students:
  - Learn more about our progressive Enrichment Karate program.
  - Classes are offered onsite at our 3 elementary campuses and SMCSMS
- Current students learn more and work toward advancement

The first hour will be spent working our Shorei-Kempo Karate as a class, performing exercises that are not rank specific to allow students to work together to further their training. This will provide an excellent opportunity for our beginners to work with a higher ranked student on material they will need to move to Yellow Belt and beyond and our visitors to try our program.

The second hour will cover various techniques from other martial arts that Sensei Gary and Sempai Will have trained in. The group will be divided by rank to cover age and rank appropriate material.

### Monday, December 4th, 2017 from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

St. Mary Elementary School, 540 Second Street, Menasha

Cost: \$5 per participant & a canned good / non-perishable food item



## Sunday, November 19, 2017 at 4:00 pm

Jane Bergstrom Fine Arts Education Center

On the campus of St. Mary Catholic Schools 1050 Zephyr Drive, Neenah, WI

Tickets available at www.showtix4u.com - 920-722-7796 or at the door one hour prior to the performance









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