

# ST. MARY CATHOLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL WEEKLY UPDATE

DATE April 26, 2017



St. Mary Catholic Middle School  
Grades 6-8

## IMPORTANT DATES



SMCS EMAIL NEWSLETTER



SMCS CALENDAR PAGE

### April

- 25-28 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Washington D.C.
- 27 Prayer Service in commons @ 9:40 a.m.
- 27 Power Hour 3:15-4:15 p.m.
- 28 MidQuarter (grade checks)
- 28 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat
- 29 Social 7:00-9:00 p.m. @ Badger Sports Park

### May

- 1-5 Teacher Appreciation Week
- 4 Liturgy in FAEC @ 9:40 a.m.
- 4 Power Hour 3:15-4:15 p.m.
- 5 No School – Staff Development
- 5 Last SPIRITUS Drop In @ Mount Tabor Center 3-5 pm
- 9 Band and Choir Spring Concert in FAEC @ 6:30 p.m.
- 11 Prayer Service in commons @ 9:40 a.m.
- 11 Power Hour 3:15-4:15 p.m.
- 12 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat
- 12 SMCMS Social/Dance
- 15-19 SMCMS Book Fair
- 17 Battle of the Books in MS gym @ 1:36 p.m.
- 18 Final SMCMS mass in FAEC
- 18 Power Hour 3:15-4:15 p.m.
- 25 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat
- 25 Last Power Hour of the year 3:15-4:15 p.m.
- 26 Final SMCMS Prayer Service
- 31 End of Year Awards 8:15-9:45 a.m. in FAEC

### June

- 1 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Recognition in FAEC @ 6:30 p.m.
- 2 Early Dismissal @ 11:36 (Last Day of School)

### Phone and Internet outage on Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>

Due to work being done building the new fitness center, SMCMS will be **without phone and internet for about one hour on Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup> beginning 2:30 p.m.** If you need to contact SMCMS, please do so before 2:30 p.m. Most of 8<sup>th</sup> grade is in Washington D.C., 6<sup>th</sup> grade is on retreat, and majority of 7<sup>th</sup> grade has a study hall during this time.

### Last SPIRITUS Drop In, Friday May 5<sup>th</sup>

The last SPIRITUS Drop In will be Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-5:00 p.m. at the Mount Tabor Center. Thank you to all the SPIRITUS members for helping our youth grow in faith and community – while still having fun! Keep scrolling for more information.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Honor Roll

Keep scrolling for a list of students on the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Honor Roll. Congratulations to all our students for their achievements in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter.

### Mid Quarter on Friday

We will be doing a Mid Quarter grade check for academic eligibility for the spring sports on Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Invention Project (middle school summer STEM camp)

[Registration](#) is open for Invention Project, STEM camp offered for students entering 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade. This will be offered June 8, 9, 12, 13, 14 and taught at SMCMS. Click [here](#) for more information.

### Social at Badger Sports Park on April 29

We will be having a social at Badger Sports Park on Saturday, April 29 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. For \$16.00 students can enjoy unlimited indoor and outdoor games. Please sign up and pay ahead of time if possible. See the attached flyer for more details.

### MAP Testing Schedule

Please try to limit appointments during your child's MAP testing times. Also, please make sure they get plenty of sleep the night before and eat breakfast in order to perform their best. These spring scores will be used to help determine placement in intensive or regular classes for next year.

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>** – Make up/finish

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup>** (6<sup>th</sup> grade retreat) – Make up/finish

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup>** – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Math (during math class)

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>** – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Math (during math class)

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Make up/finish

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>** – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Language Usage (during religion class)

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup>** – No School – Professional Development

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup>-Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>** – Make up/finish



## **6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat**

On Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, our sixth graders will go on their spring retreat, and two weeks later, Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup> our seventh graders will do so. Teachers and students will travel to St. Paul's in Combined Locks for a day of reflection and spiritual growth. The sixth grade focus will be on being peacemakers. As students grow in maturity and learn to advocate for themselves, empowering them to handle their own conflicts can be a very important life skill. To do so as a peacemaker and with the influence of God's great commandment (to love one another) is an important piece for growing in faith. **Students should bring a bag lunch; food service bag lunches were already ordered for the 6<sup>th</sup> grade retreat.**

The theme for 7<sup>th</sup> grade is "Self-Esteem". Middle School years (and 7<sup>th</sup> grade in particular) can be a time of change and full of questions, which can have an impact on a student's self-image. By bringing self-esteem into focus, we can help students recognize and appreciate their own giftedness and to celebrate one another's differences. Please keep staff and students in prayer those days for a good and holy retreat. **7<sup>th</sup> grade students should bring a bag lunch; let the office know if you'd like to order a bag lunch from food service.**

## **SMCS news**

The new [SMCS 2017-18 calendar](#) is now available.

Congratulations to all of our **Zephyr spring sports** teams! Many are enjoying stellar seasons so far, including our undefeated girls soccer team and first-ranked baseball team. The boys track and field athletes are also enjoying great success. Two VEX robotics teams from the SMCS STEM Club are competed this weekend at the VEX Worlds Tournament in Louisville, Kentucky, and members of the SMCHS forensic team competed at the state tournament in Madison. Way to go, Zephyrs!

Are you **passionate about the advantages the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program** is providing for students in our community? If so, would you be willing to attend a listening session for the 55th Assembly District and speak out on April 28 or 29? Please contact our WPCP Designee [Pat Batey](#) via email or phone (722-7796 ext 802).

Finally, the first edition of the **SMCS 2017-18 calendar** is now available! Click [this link](#) to go to the calendar page of our website to download a PDF, and please be sure to check for updated versions as time goes on.

## **Fall Soccer**

Neenah Soccer Club is holding sign-ups for [fall soccer](#).

## **Help Our School System Grow By Becoming A Board of Trustees Member**

SMCS is now accepting applications for board of trustees members. The board helps to enhance SMCS with leadership, guidance, decision making, financial support and public relations. We are looking for individuals with business, marketing, legal, human resources, and financial backgrounds, and, most importantly, you must be ready to help our Catholic schools grow. Nominees must be practicing Catholics and are elected to one three-year term and may serve a subsequent term. If you wish to be considered, contact [Pam Seidl](#) by email or phone (920-851-4889). Deadline: Friday, May 5.

## **SMCS Teacher and Staff Awards**

It's time to nominate your favorite SMCS teacher, administrator or employee for an SMCS Teacher & Staff Award for outstanding teacher, positive influence, SMCS Spirit or promising innovation. Each recipient is given an award plaque, \$250 and well-deserved recognition at the year-end faculty & staff gathering. Read the description of the ideal recipient for each award, and [click on the link](#) to recommend someone who makes a difference in our school community. Deadline: Friday, May 12.

The following topics were included in last week's system newsletter:

[SMCS calendar](#) \* [SMCS Summer Youth Opportunities \(Sports Camps, Daycare\)](#) \* [St. Mary Elementary Badger Bash](#) \* [Camp Invention](#) \* [Scrip Reminder](#) \* [Cub Scout Picnic](#) \* [Greater Zephyr Open](#) \* [Notre Dame Club to Host Mass at SMCHS](#) \* [Enrichment Program Updates](#) \* [Facebook Highlights \(April 14-20\)](#) \* [In the Community: Neenah Soccer Club fall soccer](#), [YMCA Classes \(Summer Sports Camps—entering grades 2-5\)](#), [Heid Music summer classes](#)

St. Mary Catholic Middle School Student Council invites you to a night of

**FRIENDS! FUN! GAMES!**



**Saturday, April 29, 2017**

**7:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

**\$16.00 UTOPIA Sports Park Pass**

**Here's what's included:**

- **Unlimited Laser Tag session for 30 people.  
(Choose session time when you arrive)**
- **Unlimited Mini-Bowling games**
- **Use of "no-ticket" video games**
- **\$5.00 WORTH OF GAME ROOM GAMES**
- **Outdoor games, batting cages, mini-golf, go carts**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Yes! I plan on coming to SMCMS Night at Badger Sports Park in Appleton on Saturday, April 29, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

**Please pre-pay if possible, or pay as you enter. Make all checks payable to "SMCS" for \$16 per sports pass card.**

*It is suggested that students car pool to and from the facility. Parent supervision is welcome but not required, as Badger Sports Park provides supervision.*

Parent Volunteer (2 hours) \_\_\_\_\_

# St. Mary Catholic Middle School Highest Honors – March 17, 2017

## Grade 6

Lauren Altfillisch  
Maria Argueta  
Nicholas Berg  
Olivia Bergstrom  
Brianna Beyer  
Shruti Chakrapani  
Veronica Colford  
Sawyer Engle  
Catherine Genke  
Margaret Krautkramer  
Jackson Kuehn  
Mari Ladish  
Satchel Moss  
Jacob Ostrom  
Lucy Rogers  
Eva Schneider  
Allie Strande  
Adela Thiel  
Evan Unruh  
Chloe Vogel  
Peyton Weis  
Julie Zimmerman

## Grade 7

Maria Benz  
Ava Bergstrom  
Ellie DeWitt  
Camille Dinka  
Taylor Foord  
Brecken Harrmann  
Catherine Higgins  
Agiimaa Kerwin  
Madeline Molchany  
Greta Norville  
Paul Nutini  
Connor Olsen  
Anna Porter  
Kaitlyn Powers  
Megan Roloff  
Peyton Schroeder  
Lauren Sturgell  
Anna Vanden Acker  
Sylvia Walentowski  
William Walsh III

## Grade 8

Wyatt Bittner  
Natalie Chakar  
Tess Jankowski  
Emma Jares  
Haley Jensen  
Drew Korth  
Henry Ladish  
Lauren Meyer  
Fatima Muniz  
Samuel Pingel  
Connor Powers  
Bailey Schroeder  
Antonina Schumacher  
Laura Seidl  
Hannah Sherwood  
Willem Snyder  
Ava Staehler  
John Staner  
Elizabeth Vitale  
Cole Young

# St. Mary Catholic Middle School High Honors – March 17, 2017

## **Grade 6**

Anna Auth  
Lainey Becker  
Marco Chakar  
Emma Dimmer  
Dylan Dwyer  
Michael Fairweather  
Lily Hansen  
Kathryn Julius  
Bryn Korth  
Julia Kubicki  
Sophie Lescamela  
Janessa Puls  
Alex Sherwood

## **Grade 7**

Ethan Campbell  
Jaiden Campbell  
Emmalie Engle  
Sophia Engle  
Lilly Griffith  
Taylor Gustafson  
Mackenzie Hayes  
Ava Krema  
Eden Marshall  
Julia Marti  
Jaydin Vosters  
Frank Whiting

## **Grade 8**

Joseph Hopwood  
Luke Peters  
Michael Weninger  
Elise Wierzbicki

# St. Mary Catholic Middle School Honors – March 17, 2017

## Grade 6

Maryuri Covarrubio  
Italia Erato  
Madysen Green  
Daniel Griffith  
Benjamin Kotchen  
Jason Kroll  
Sahara Lewis  
Spencer Lynch  
Grace Meyer  
Charles Ogden  
Owen Ripley  
Mason Romzek  
Eric Schaufelberger  
Ashley Short  
Mason Talaga  
Cole Uhlenbrauck

## Grade 7

Nyla Albrecht  
August Bogner  
Graham Collins  
Kimberli Jo Dorsey  
Abygale Garvey  
Casey Goethel  
Benjamin Jochman  
Julia Lukasik  
Ryan Ortscheid  
Anthony Peters  
Robert Riesterer  
Miley Sickels  
Mateo Timm  
Grecia Vera  
Henry Werner  
Nicholas Zimmer

## Grade 8

Aidan Anderson  
Olivia Bahn  
Lillian Foster  
Ava Goss  
Thomas Hogerty  
Aniah Holbrook  
Kaley Keddell  
Theodore Kotchen  
Trace Lein  
Zachary Leonardi  
Tessa Long  
Mitchell Lukasik  
Cooper Moss  
Olivia Pable  
Frank Rasmus  
Sophie Taubel  
Maisie Teska  
Will Volkman  
Anna Zelinski





# DROP IN SPECIAL EVENT!

End of the Year Party 2017

Join us **Friday, May 5th from 3-5pm**  
at the **Mount Tabor Center**

522 E. Second Street, Menasha

for food and fun!

## Activities include:

- ★ Gaga ball
- ★ Bonfire and S'mores
- ★ Prayer and Music

\*We would like to extend a special **invite to 5th graders** so they can come and check out what Drop In is all about!

\*\*Contact Brianna at [briannatrifiletti@spiritusministries.org](mailto:briannatrifiletti@spiritusministries.org) for questions!

