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## SMCS Email Newsletter

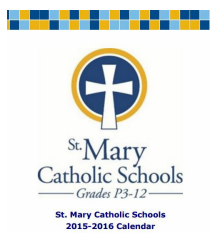
*We had a wonderful first week of school! Thank you for entrusting your children's education to St. Mary Catholic Schools.*

We are proud of the outstanding education provided by our teachers and the hard work of our students which resulted in an [average ACT score of 24.9](#) and [eighteen SMCHS students recently being named AP Scholars!](#)

We look forward to seeing our elementary parents on Tuesday evening for Parent Night!

If your kids are looking for something fun to do in the upcoming week, please consider the SMCS Badger Sports Park Night on Thursday and Football Grade/Middle School Night at the home football game on Friday. Keep reading for details.

A few reminders as we start the year:  
If you wish to restrict photos of your children from being used outside of SMCS, please contact



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## **SMCS in the Media**

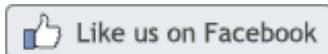
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### **Stay Connected**



the [advancement office](#).

Did you move or change your email address or phone number? Do you want to change your child's emergency contact? If so, you must [update your contact information](#). This database is used for the directory, and by the business, food service, school and advancement offices for all email contacts-no need to notify us anywhere else.

Best wishes for an enjoyable and safe holiday weekend. See you next week!

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## **2016-17 SMCS Calendar**

Click right below the calendar icon to the left for a link to the calendar page on our website.

*The following additions or changes were made this week to the SMCS 2016-17 calendar.*

Sept 16	SG PTO Meeting
Sept 24	SMCS St. Baldrick's Event @ Festival
Oct 14	SG PTO Meeting
Nov 11	HS Choir to Lakeside Choir Festival
Nov 18	SG PTO Meeting
Dec 7	HS Forensics Parent Meeting
Jan 5	HS Choir sing @ Gamblers Game
Jan 20	SG PTO Meeting
Jan 28	HS host Clash of the Choirs
Feb 10	SG PTO Meeting
Feb 13	HS Forensics Conference Meet
Feb 14	HS Choir @ Community Concert
Feb 20-Mar 3	HS Spirit Week
Feb 25	HS District Solo & Ensemble
Mar 10	SG PTO Meeting
Mar 13	HS Forensics District Meet
Apr 21	SG PTO Meeting
Apr 24	Elementary Band Recital
Apr 21-22	HS Forensics State Meet
Sept 16	SG PTO Meeting

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## **Welcome Signs**

A special message to new SMCS Families--we hope you and your family enjoyed the welcome sign that appeared in your front yard in recent weeks!

Did you know that you can trade it in for the sign

that has our logo and URL in place of the welcome message? It's a great way for us to be responsible stewards by reusing the welcome signs and for you to continue sharing your enthusiasm for SMCS!

Stop in at your school office to exchange your sign at your convenience. Signs are available to *any* SMCS family or business who wants to show their Zephyr pride!



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### **SMCS Grade/Middle School Nights!**

We have *two* exciting nights of Zephyr fun at the upcoming SMCS Grade/Middle School Nights at **football on Friday, September 9** and **volleyball on Thursday, September 15!** Fans in eighth grade or younger will receive free admission, popcorn and a Zephyr Gatorade! Hang out and have your picture taken with the Zephynator. Stay tuned for info about cool prizes or contact [Liz Uhlenbrauck](#) for details at 722-7796 ext 157.

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### **A Big Green Egg for You**

WIN a BIG Green Egg and help raise funds for Meet Me In The Middle!

Buy your \$10 raffle ticket today to win a Large Big Green Egg grill complete with accessories and charcoal! Contact any middle school parent or the St. Mary Catholic Middle School office to purchase your tickets today. Drawing will be held on Friday, September 16 at 8:30 p.m. at the Meet Me In The Middle 'BBQ & Bluegrass' event.

Tickets for the event can be purchased at the school and are [available online](#).

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### **SMCS Badger Sports Park Night**

Come on out for a night of fun at [SMCS Night at Badger Sports Park](#) on **Thursday, September 8** from 6-9:00 p.m.! The cost is only \$12.00 per person, and the proceeds will benefit the Zephyr football program for our middle and high school. All are welcome!

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### **The Directory Project Deadline Soon**

SMCS will print a family directory for the 2016-17 school year. Please consider promoting your business to other SMCS families while helping to defray the cost of this project by submitting your 2 x 3.5" business card or advertisement to the [director of communications](#) by **September 9, 2016**.

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.

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### **Eucharistic Adoration and Mass at SMCHS**

Please note that there will be a Mass in the chapel at St. Mary Catholic High School at 7:15 a.m. on the following dates that Eucharistic Adoration is scheduled on campus: December 2, February 3, March 3, April 7 and May 12.

You may sign up to participate in Eucharistic Adoration by visiting the [sign-up site](#), or just stop in on any of the Adoration dates between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to spend time with our lord. Contact [Barb Unruh](#) at 486-6565 for more information.

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### **Win Packer Tickets!**

This year's **Connect 5** run/walk will raise money for the SMCS Booster Club and the event will be held on **Saturday, October 1, 2016**.

Start collecting your sponsorships now, because the participant who raises the most sponsorship dollars will win ***four tickets to the Packers/ Cowboys game on October 16!***

See the [Connect 5 flyer](#) for details and [register online](#) today!

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### **SMCS/St. Baldrick's Event**

SMCS is grateful for the support of CCFF (Children's Cancer Family Foundation) and Festival Foods in co-sponsoring our third annual St. Baldrick's Head-Shaving Event, which will be held on **Saturday, September 24** at the Festival Foods parking lot in Neenah from 8:00-4:00.

You can get involved by raising money to shave your head, getting a hair extension, purchasing food, playing games, making a donation, or just coming out and showing your support for others who are shaving. Don't go bald alone! Bring a friend, or your whole team!

Visit the [SMCS page on the St. Baldrick's website](#) to sign up for a shave; or purchase icons at the checkout lanes in Festival Foods between September 10-24. Please support local children in their fight against cancer and its life-altering side effects. Questions? Contact Mona Sherwood (486-1211) or Sue Peters (540-8239) for more information.

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### **SMCS Enrichment Sign Up**

The [SMCS Enrichment Program](#) registration is underway. Click here to view the [enrichment schedule](#) for this semester's classes and then [complete your registration](#).

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### **VIRTUS Requirements**

Every administrator, faculty or staff member, parent volunteer, coach and chaperone **MUST** have successfully completed the [Green Bay Diocese's VIRTUS - Protecting God's Children](#) program before being allowed to spend time with students.

Sessions will be held at St. Mary Catholic Schools on **Saturday, September 10**, 9:00 a.m. to noon and **Tuesday, October 4**, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. both in the FAEC.

Contact [SMCS Business Director Jeanne Lee](#) for details.

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### **Scrip Reminder**

*There will be no Scrip this week due to the Labor Day holiday. The first delivery to schools will be on Thursday, September 15.*

If you need to change your pick-up location for the school year, send the request to [Ann Harris](#) in the business office ASAP.

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### **Zephyr Basketball Club Registration**

Registration for [Zephyr Basketball Club](#) will be held on **Sunday, September 11 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Jane Bergstrom Fine Arts Education Center. Attendance is highly encouraged for current and new families in order to learn about the many developments taking place within the club. Contact [Jay Zelinski](#) for details.

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### **In the Community**

#### **SMCHS Jazz Band at Fox Jazz Fest**

Come and see the St. Mary Catholic High School Jazz Band under the direction of Dave Sawall when they perform at the Fox Jazz Fest on Sunday, **September 4 from noon until 12:30 p.m.** at Jefferson Park in Menasha. They will also be participating in a Jazz Masterclass led by Jazz Vocalist Sara Gazarek and her quartet who are the headliner group on Sunday September 4.

#### **Diocesan Evangelization Speaker**

Julianne Stanz, nationally recognized speaker and expert in Evangelization and Catechesis will speak at St. Gabriel Parish on Wednesday, **September 8** from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

#### **Janssen Forum Speaker Series**

Click on the link for the full calendar [Mount Tabor's Janssen Forum Speakers Series](#). This year's theme is "touched by mercy." The first session by Bob Lang, executive director of Father Carr's Place 2B will take place on **September 8**.

Each event begins with Mass at 11:15 a.m. in the Mount Tabor Center chapel, followed by a light lunch and the guest speaker at noon. The cost is \$7.00 per session or \$56 for the entire series.

#### **SeafoodFest Service Hour Opportunities**

The local Rotary Clubs are looking for volunteers to help at SeafoodFest on **September 9 and 10**. High school and middle school students age 13 and older are encouraged to volunteer - this is a great way to get some service hours early in

the school year. [Sign up today to help](#) at Seafood Fest!

### **Spirit Alive!**

SPIRITUS, a team of young adult missionaries based at the Mount Tabor Center in Menasha, has touched the lives of more than 5,000 youth in northeast Wisconsin. They need our support so they can continue reaching our young people through retreats and other programs -- helping to form future leaders for our Church.

Join Bishop Robert Morneau and SPIRITUS for wine, cheese and chocolate on **Monday, September 26** from 6:30-7:45 p.m. at Mount Tabor Center in Menasha to find out how you can help empower and inspire our Catholic youth by supporting SPIRITUS through financial donations, volunteering and prayer.

Please RSVP by calling Annette Hovie at 920-722-8918. Donations can also be made [online](#).

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