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St. Mary Catholic Schools and McCurdy Theatre Arts to Host Improv Comedy Shows!

"Baby Wants Candy," a Chicago-based improv musical is coming to St. Mary Catholic Schools! With rave reviews such as "Truly amazing!" from the New York Times, and more, this show will also include the talents of some St. Mary Catholic Schools (SMCS) students who will participate in the troupe's improv master class prior to the show.

Presented by SMCS Fine Arts and McCurdy Theatre Arts, "Baby Wants Candy" will be performed on Saturday, **November 14 at 7:00 p.m.** and Sunday, **November 15 at 5:00 p.m. at the Jane Bergstrom Fine Arts Education Center** (on the campus of St. Mary Catholic High School), 1050 Zephyr Drive, Neenah. Tickets for these shows are \$15 per person, and the two shows will feature different SMCS students.

The shows are part of an improv weekend at St. Mary Catholic Schools! Students in grades 4-5 and 6-7 have the opportunity to participate in workshops taught by Kathleen McCurdy of McCurdy Theatre Arts, and those in grades 8-12 will work directly with the "Baby Wants Candy" troupe, and may have parts in the Saturday and Sunday performances.

"With improv you never know what's going to happen next! That's what makes the art form so enjoyable for the audiences and so exciting for students," says SMCS Fine Arts Director Christina Turner. "We are proud to offer our students a chance to work with professional improv performers and experience this unique acting challenge. They will also get a firsthand look at what it is like to have a career in theater that takes the actors around the world and gives them opportunities to perform and educate."

In addition to attending the performances, those interested in seeing how the craft of improv is taught may observe the master class on **Saturday, November 14 at 1:00 p.m.** Tickets will be \$10 per person for anyone interested in watching the class.

Tickets are available online at www.showtix4u.com or by calling 920-722-7796.

St. Mary Catholic Schools (SMCS) includes St. Mary Catholic High School and the new St. Mary Catholic Middle School in the Town of Menasha and St. Mary Elementary Schools (St. Margaret Mary and St. Gabriel in Neenah, and St. Mary in Menasha). SMCS is dedicated to the individual development of each student in grades Pre3-12, by providing the highest quality education focused on faith, academics and service in a rapidly changing world.

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