

# ST. MARY CATHOLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL WEEKLY UPDATE

DATE August 29, 2018



St. Mary Catholic Middle School  
Grades 6-8

## IMPORTANT DATES



SMCS EMAIL NEWSLETTER



SMCS CALENDAR PAGE

### August

- 30 8<sup>th</sup> grade to Camp Tekakwitha
- 31 8<sup>th</sup> grade return from Camp Tekakwitha at 3:15 PM
- 31 All forms due to SMCMS office

### September

- 3 Labor Day – No School
- 6 Prayer Service at 10:45 AM in SMCMS Commons
- 7 7<sup>th</sup> grade Retreat/Team Building at Camp Tekakwitha 8:10 AM-5:00 PM
- 13 Liturgy at 10:45 AM in FAEC
- 14 6<sup>th</sup> grade Team Building
- 20 Prayer Service at 10:45 AM in SMCMS Commons
- 22 Connect 5
- 26 SMCMS Picture Retakes
- 27 Liturgy at 10:45 AM in FAEC

### Advice From With In

As you enter Middle School I suggest you make as many friends as possible – be kind and nice to all your classmates, especially those who look alone or lonely! Those kids may become your best friends. Don't worry about being popular, rather worry about being inclusive. Work hard to learn good habits that will stay with you in your future. Above all, be good, use good manners and Make Good Choices!

Many flyers of the type that used to be attached to our school newsletter are now available via the links below, or read the full [system newsletter](#) to find out more information on the following:

| [CONNECT 5](#) | [Careers at SMCS](#) | [Zephyrs Basketball Club](#) | [Scrip News](#) | [Order Apparel](#) | [Google Calendar](#) | [Drama Season Announced](#) | [Eucharistic Adoration](#) | [Blood Drive](#) |

### Meet Me In The Middle (MMITM)

Meet Me in the Middle takes place at the middle school on Friday, October 5, 2018 from 6:00-10:00 p.m. Tickets are available on the website for \$25 per person. We look forward to seeing you. The party is going to be all new this year-a fun filled evening with dinner and live music! Bring your friends! This is a social night for our parents!

Please use this [link](#) for tickets and sponsorship.

### FORMS

Thank you to all of the parents who turned in all their forms to SMCMS already. Any student who brings all of the following forms, field trip payment, and summer reading work (6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>) by August 31 will get an [out of dress code pass](#).

\*[Medication Consent Form](#)

\*Field Trip Permission Form (6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and/or 8<sup>th</sup> grade) and [payment](#)

\*[Student Emergency Information](#)

\*[Student/Parent Handbook Acknowledgement](#) (Please read the [2018-2019 SMCMS Student/Parent Handbook](#))

\*[Technology Acceptable Use Policy](#)

\*[Terms and Conditions/Accidental Damage Agreement and laptop insurance](#) and [payment for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students](#)

\*[VIRTUS Diocesan Volunteer Code of Conduct](#) (Must be signed every year)

All of these forms can also be found on our website. (<http://smcatholicschools.org>) On the top click "Forms" and scroll down to SMCMS Forms.

### Medication

If you anticipate your child needing any medications, pain killers, etc. please send to school the medication consent form and the medication in the original package with his/her name on it. All the medications must be kept in the school office. We've received many forms without any medications.

### PowerSchool

On Monday at the parent meeting we handed out the directions on how to log into PowerSchool. Please call the middle school office if you need help. If you were unable to attend we will be sending those letters home with your student. If you are downloading the app for your android or iOS phone, the district code is: MNJQ.

### Dress Code Reminder

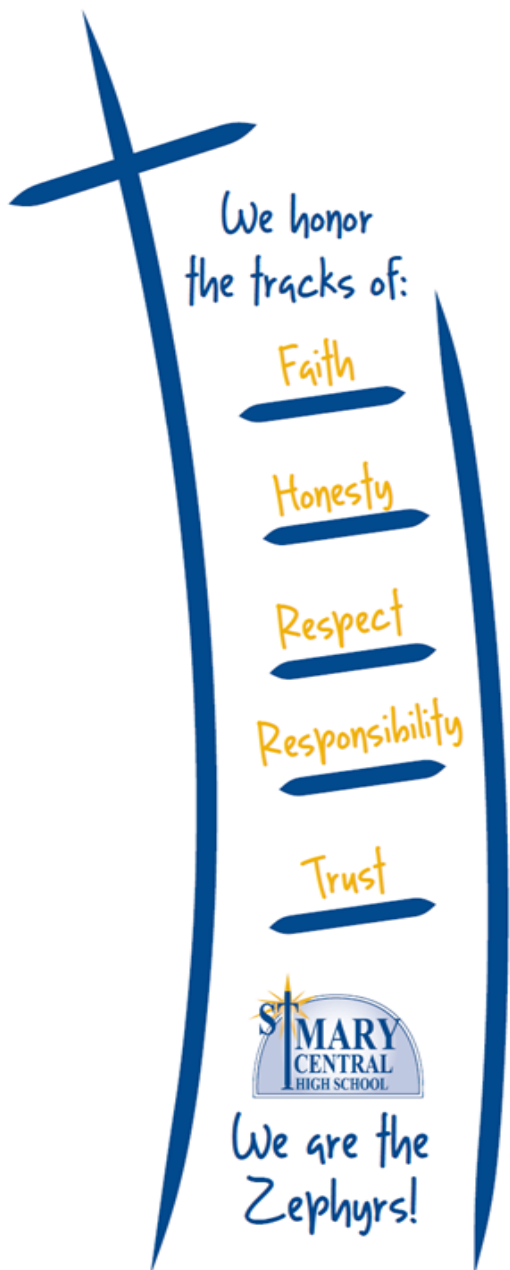
Tomorrow will be the first prayer service for our 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade students. Please make sure to read the [2018-2019 SMCS dress code](#). I want to point out that on the Special dress days (Thursdays) that black denim jeans are not part of the dress code.

WE WANT OTHERS TO SEE AND KNOW:

Who we are and what we do here.

- Father Sorin, Founder of the University of Notre Dame

As an active and engaged member of the St. Mary Central High School community, we are all expected to act with integrity. Actions, behaviors, and decisions, both inside and outside of the classroom, should reflect and support the school's five Pillars of Honor.



**FAITH** "I can do everything through Him who gives me strength." (Phil 4-13)

- All actions are to bring glory and honor to Jesus Christ
- Our actions speak louder than our words

**HONESTY** Truthfulness in all we do and say

- Exercising daily commitment to truthful thoughts and actions
- Bring honor to oneself by acting and speaking truthfully and sincerely

**RESPECT** Sincere consideration and appreciation for individuals and the differences among them

- A commitment to be tolerant of others, their views, and values.
- Having high regard for one's own well-being, as well as that of others
- A commitment to behaving respectfully
- Extending thoughtfulness and understanding to others

**RESPONSIBILITY** Pride in and responsibility for one's actions

- Commitment to duty, including assigned duties, and those for which one volunteers
- An obligation to the ownership of one's work, deeds, words, and actions
- Personal accountability to do the right thing
- Taking action against wrong-doing, despite peer pressure, fear, loyalty, or compassion
- Attending all classes on time
- Contributing to discussions, meeting academic deadlines, and performing to the best of one's ability

**TRUST** Belief in the integrity and reliability of others

- Faith that others will act in a Christ-like manner
- Reliance on the integrity, ability, and character of others
- A mutual relationship between students and faculty that enhances the learning environment