



St. Mary Catholic Schools  
Grades P3-12

January 30, 2019

**No School Today - Stay Safe!**

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## 2019-20 Early Registration Deadline Extended

[Registration](#) is open. Please direct any questions to [Kelly Beisenstein-Weiss](#).  
**Early registration and transition grade discounts are available through February 7.**

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## It's Catholic Schools Week!

Since 1974, National Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. The theme for National Catholic Schools Week 2019 is "Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed." SMCS has the privilege of fulfilling this theme. Thank you for sharing your children with us.

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## Early Childhood Play Lab

Join us for our early childhood Play Lab at each of our elementary schools! Parents with children ages 2-5 are invited for crafts, songs, stories, and play time. Click [here](#) for the dates, times, and locations.

There is no cost to attend any of the Play Labs, however, registration is required. Current SMCS families are encouraged to invite friends, neighbors, and family! Contact Kelly at 920-722-7796 ext. 157 or [kbweiss@smcatholicsschools.org](mailto:kbweiss@smcatholicsschools.org) to register.

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## Z Cabaret-February 8 & 9

Join us on stage for a table-side view of our live variety show featuring SMCS alumni and supporters. Audience members will enjoy an intimate evening as we celebrate SMCS fine arts. Hors d'oeuvres and entertainment included with cash bar available. Table seating is limited, purchase your [tickets](#) now.  
6:00pm - 7:00pm: Cocktails and Hors D'oeuvres on stage  
7:00pm - Live Entertainment

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## **NEW** WPCP Application Period Open

SMCS participates in the WPCP which allows qualified students in grades K-12 to attend our schools tuition-free. The [application](#) period is February 1 - April 22. Students who currently receive vouchers must apply during this period in order to

receive their voucher next year. Review the [WPCP Q&A](#) for more information on the program or contact [Shelley Wautlet](#).

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## **NEW** SMCHS Information Night-Date Change

Due to inclement weather, the SMCHS Information Night has been rescheduled for February 4 at 6:30 p.m. in the Jane Bergstrom FAEC.

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## **NEW** SMCS Aquinas Program Information Session Date/Time Change

The [SMCS Aquinas Program](#) for gifted and talented students, offers specialized instruction for students in grades 3-5. Students work at a faster pace while digging deeper into the content to gain greater knowledge and depth. Applications for assessments for the 2019-20 school year will be accepted through March 1. Please attend our new Information Night date on **Tuesday, February 5 at 5:00 p.m.**

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## **NEW** Booster Club Tournament Help Needed

The SMCS Booster Club is hosting our annual 5th - 8th grade boys basketball tournaments on Saturday, February 9 and Sunday, February 10 at St. Mary Catholic High School and Middle School. They represent roughly 15% of the money raised each year, so any help is very much appreciated.

If you are able to help, please sign-up <https://signup.com/Group/882776634015/>

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## **NEW** SMM Wines Around the World

St. Margaret Mary Elementary School will host the annual fundraising event, Wines Around the World (WAW), on February 16, at the Bridgewood Resort Hotel

and Conference Center in Neenah from 6:30 - 11:00 p.m. The event will include music, dancing and international wines paired with appetizers as well as a variety of desserts. Purchase [tickets](#) today!

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## **NEW** Fine Arts News

**Fine Arts Fruit Sale** - The 2019 Fine Arts Fruit Sale is underway! The sale runs until February 8. Order pick up is scheduled for March 1 at 3:00 p.m. in the SMC garage near the football field. Order forms are available in all SMCS school offices and are due February 8. Contact [Hayden Kraus](#) with questions.

**ZFAB Art Contest** - Congratulations to the following winners of the Zephyrs Fine Arts Booster fall art contest! Winners will receive \$100 prize. Thank you to all students who participated! Visit [SMCSFineArts.org](#) to view the winning submissions.

Mallory Moen (Grade 11) - Still life drawing of fruit

Norah Lee (Grade 7) - "Treasured Treats"

Esther Pingel (Grade 4) - Drawing of fruit hat

Natalie Lee (Grade 1) - "Cutsie Fruit"

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## **NEW** Zephyrs Gold Raffle

Congratulations to our Zephyrs Gold Raffle Winners:  
November: Home Theater Experience Winner - **Bill Raath**  
December: Home, Clean Home Winner - **Jeannette Olson**  
January: Outdoor Patio Fun Winner - **Keith Peters**

Who will be our next lucky winners?  
February: Adorn and Accessorize  
March: Outdoor Living  
April: Landscape Haven

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## **NEW** On-line Spirit Stop

Now you can shop at the [Spirit Stop](#) OR the [Spirit Stop on-line!](#)

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## State Income Tax Filing - 2018 Tax Deduction

When filing your 2018 state tax return, taxpayers may use [WI Schedule PS](#) to claim their private school tuition payments up to \$4000 for each dependent child in 5-year old kindergarten through grade 8, and up to \$10,000 for each dependent child in grades 9-12. Consult your tax professional for more details and for information on claiming P3 and PK payments. Tuition statements for the 2018 calendar year will be mailed by January 31 for families to determine amount paid in 2018.

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## Alumni Awards

The SMC family feels it is important to recognize outstanding accomplishments of our graduates. Please help us honor individuals who have distinguished themselves in the finest tradition of St. Mary Catholic High School. Visit our [forms](#) page for further information or contact the [SMCHS Alumni Relations Coordinator](#).

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## Save the Date

- Elementary Spring Conferences - February 12
  - High School Choir Community [Concert](#) - February 12
  - SMCHS Incoming Student [Course Selection Night](#) - February 18
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## Parish Connection

**St. Margaret Mary Parish:** SMM is inviting all to consider participation in the Alpha Course. Registration is currently available online on the parish website at [www.smmneenah.org/Alpha](http://www.smmneenah.org/Alpha)

**St. Gabriel Parish:** [Free Kids Night Out](#)

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## In The Community

**YMCA:** [Youth Indoor Soccer](#)

Les and Dar Stumpf Youth Arts Scholarship: [Information](#), [Application](#)

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