

# ST. MARY CATHOLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL WEEKLY UPDATE

DATE May 1, 2019



St. Mary Catholic Middle School  
Grades 6-8

## IMPORTANT DATES



SMCS EMAIL NEWSLETTER



SMCS CALENDAR PAGE

### May

- 2 SMCMS Prayer Service in Commons 10:45 AM
- 2 Power Hour 3:15 – 4:15 PM
- 3 4<sup>th</sup> Grade visit to SMCMS
- 3 Spiritus Drop-In 3:12 PM-5
- 5 Cinco de Mayo
- 7 SMCMS Band & Choir Concert 6:30 PM
- 7 Zephyrs Sprit Wear Day
- 8 Builders Club 3:15- 5
- 9 SMCMS 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat
- 9 SMCMS Prayer Service in Commons 10:45 AM
- 9 Power Hour 3:15 – 4:15
- 9 SMCMS Dance  
6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade 6:30-8:30 PM  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade 6:30 – 9:30 PM
- 10 No School Staff Development
- 12 Mother's Day
- 13-17 SMCMS Book Fair
- 16 SMCMS Mass Grade 8 in the SMCMS Chapel 10:45 AM
- 17 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade visit Day to SMCMS
- 17 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat 8AM-3 PM
- 23 SMCMS Prayer Service in Commons 10:45 AM
- 23 Power Hour 3:15 – 4:15
- 27 No School-Memorial Day
- 29 Battle of the Books 8:30 AM FAEC
- 30 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat-8AM-4:00 PM
- 30 Power Hour 3:15 – 4:15
- 31 SMCMS Final School Year Mass in FAEC 10:45 AM

For a complete calendar listing view our [Google calendar online: SMCMS Calendar.](#)

### Permission slips

Please see the attached 3 different permission slips for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade, Show Choir & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade.

### Social/Dance

SMCMS Social/Dance will be on May 9<sup>th</sup>. 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade from 6:30 to 8:30. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade from 6:30 to 9:30. Sign up forms are attached to this newsletter. Please note the slips are due on **Tues., May 7.**

### Dress Code Reminders

A few dress code reminders: Please help us with the length of skirts and dresses.

#### **Bottoms: Girls and Boys**

- ⊞ Students must wear full-length solid-color pants to the ankle with a finished/hemmed bottom. Pants must be constructed from a cotton or cotton/poly non-denim and non-stretch fabric. Pants may not be torn or tattered and must fit appropriately -- not be too baggy or too tight. Spandex / elastic / leggings, jeggings, exercise pants, etc. are never allowed.
- ⊞ Dress / cargo / khaki, etc. shorts of appropriate length (**top of the knee or longer**) or capris may be worn during September, May and June.
- ⊞ Dresses and skirts are only allowed on special dress days.
- ⊞ Undergarments may not be visible, and pants must be worn at the waistline.

#### **Footwear: Girls and Boys**

- ⊞ Footwear must be worn at all times.
- ⊞ During the months of September, May, and June students may wear sandals. However, for safety reasons, science lab students must have teacher-approved footwear with them each day.
- ⊞ For safety reasons, heels must be modest in height (approx. < 3 in.).
- ⊞ Flip flops, moccasins and slippers are not allowed.

### School LIBRARY

Books, Books, and more Books!

As our school year is winding down, the library will be looking to collect books. Our last checkout date will be Friday, May 17. All outstanding books or fines should be paid/turned in by the end of the year. We prefer the books, but if they are lost please let [Mrs. Schneider](#) know so she can get the cost to your student.

### Map Testing Scores

Map scores will be coming home with your child on Monday, May 6.

### Course selection sheets for the 2019-2020 school year

Course selection sheets were due April 26. If you have not sent them in, please do so as soon as possible. Please email the school office if you should need another copy of these forms emailed to you.

## **Book Fair**

We will be hosting a book fair with the chance to get more books for the summer! There will be opportunity for service hours, as well. The link to sign up is: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D4AAFA72CA02-stmary1> In addition to open times before and after school, the Language Arts classes will be visiting during class one day the week of the book fair. Please put your email on the sign up so Mrs. Schneider is able to contact you and see if there are any questions she can answer.

Visit our Book Fair online starting Wednesday, May 8 at <https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/stmarycatholicmiddleschool1>

## **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Adventures**



## **LUNCH ACCOUNT BALANCES**

A reminder that all lunch account balances need to be positive before the end of the school year. Please check your student's balance on PowerSchool. Food Service now accept credit card payments for your food service bill (there will be a 3% service charge). Please use this link from our website: [Credit Card Payments for Lunch](#)

## **2019-20 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

The [SMCS 2019-20 Calendar of Key Dates](#) outlines school days off and holiday breaks. This is very useful when planning vacations and appointments. Dates for specific school activities will be added to the Google calendar soon.

## **Italy Updates**

There are still a few spots left for the Music Department trip to Italy in 2020. We received the amazing confirmation that the students of St. Mary Catholic Schools have been selected to perform at the Vatican during our trip! All students that will be enrolled in a performing ensemble at SMC High School for the 2019-2020 school year are eligible to participate in this once in a lifetime experience. For questions, please contact [Mrs. Barnhill](#).

## **Educator/Staff Awards**

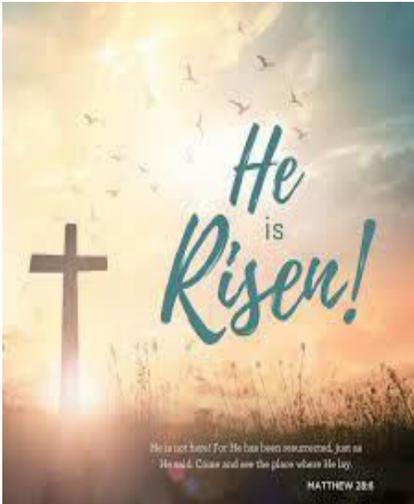
Each year, St. Mary Catholic Schools (SMCS) recognizes the talent and dedication of outstanding SMCS teachers and staff members. Please click [here](#) for details of the awards and to submit a nomination. The deadline for nominations for the 2019 awards is Friday, May 3rd.

**Read the full [system newsletter](#) and click on the following links for upcoming events and news:**



## Campus Ministry and Guidance Update

### Happy Easter



The word "Easter" comes from Old English, meaning simply the "East." The sun which rises in the East, bringing light, warmth and hope, is a symbol for the Christian of the rising Christ, who is the true Light of the world. **The Paschal Candle** is a central symbol of this divine light, which is Christ. It is kept near the ambo throughout Easter Time, and lit for all liturgical celebrations. **From the USCCB**

### **From *Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the Calendar*:**

The fifty days from the Sunday of the Resurrection to Pentecost Sunday are celebrated in joy and exultation as one feast day, indeed as one "great Sunday." These are the days above all others in which the *Alleluia* is sung. The Sundays of this time of year are considered to be Sundays of Easter and are called, after Easter Sunday itself, the Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Seventh Sundays of Easter. This sacred period of fifty days concludes with Pentecost Sunday. The liturgical color for Easter is white

### Retreats

End of the year retreats are fast approaching. Both 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders will travel to St. Paul's Catholic Church in Combined Locks and 8<sup>th</sup> grade will go again to Camp Tekakwitha. Traveling offsite allows students to really immerse themselves into the retreat and open up to a more meaningful growth in faith. Sixth grade retreat is on Thursday, May 9 and has a theme of PEACE (being peacemakers, spreading peace etc...). Seventh grade retreat will be the following week, on Friday, May 17 with a focus on Self-Esteem (an important topic for students at this age who seem to question their self-worth and value). Finally, our eighth graders will reflect on their three years in middle school with a retreat on Thursday, May 30 and a retreat theme of: *Packing for the Journey – Don't Forget Jesus!* Please keep all students in prayer on these special days as they grow in faith and love of God and one another.

### Academic and Career Planning (ACP) for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

If you have an eighth grader and have not yet signed up for their Academic and Career Planning Conference, please click [here](#) to access the sign-up genius to reserve your spot. This is a special conference with Mrs. Kalaus regarding your child's career planning work that was done this year. This conference typically will last about 45 minutes. It will focus on your child's talents and interests as well as his/her educational and career development. If you have not yet signed up, there are still several spots open after May 8. These need to be done before Memorial Day Weekend.

### Builders Club

Our **last Builders Club meeting** will be next Wednesday, May 8. This will also be our officer election day. If your child is in Builders Club (or may be interested in joining for next year), they will need to sign up for this meeting so that enough pizza can be ordered. That information, along with "officer Interest" sheets, was sent home on Monday. Please encourage your student to prayerfully consider if they are being called to serve as an officer for this service group. Anyone interested in being an officer will need a parent signature so that Mrs. Kalaus will know they will be available for the meetings next year.

### Protecting God's Children

The grade level lessons mandated by the Diocese of Green Bay for Protecting God's Children are coming to an end. Mrs. Kalaus has finished the lessons for grade 6 and 8 in April. Seventh graders will receive their lessons on May 2. All lessons can be found on the Diocesan web-site. If you have any questions, please contact [Mrs. Kalaus](#).

# MAY D.J. DANCE

**Thursday, May 9, 2019**

6th & 7th Grade Time: 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

8th Grade Time: 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.



**ADMISSION: \$7.00**

Admission includes one DQ Dilly Bar and a refillable beverage cup for your choice of soda, Kool-Aid, or water.

Fill out and return the registration slip no later than Tuesday, May 7.

Registrations turned in after May 7 will cost \$10.00.

No late food orders will be taken.

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May D.J. Dance Registration due: May 7, 2019

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Admission: \$7.00 (\$10.00 after May 7 – No food can be ordered)

\_\_\_ Little Caesars Crazy Bread with sauce - \$3.00

**Total amount of order:**

\$\_\_\_ Crazy Bread + \$7.00 Admission: **TOTAL AMOUNT DUE = \$\_\_\_\_\_**

(Make checks payable to S.M.C.S.)

## ***Parent Volunteers Needed!***

Indicate below which time you can help. You will be asked to supervise in the commons, halls, and gym.

\_\_\_ 2:30 pm-3:30 pm: Set up gym, pick up food, set up beverages.

\_\_\_ 3:30-5:30 pm Supervision in gym, hallways, and commons.

\_\_\_ 3:30-5:00 Serve food and beverages in commons. Clean up commons.

Parent Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

***Come at the time you sign up for, unless you hear from Mr. K.***

**Show Choir to Matthews Senior Living**  
**Wednesday, May 15, 2019**  
**8:30 to 10 AM**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

*I hereby request and give permission for my son/daughter to participate on the field trips listed above as pertains to his/her grade level. He/she is adequately covered by insurance for any injury that he/she might sustain. I have discussed this with my spouse (if appropriate) and we both hereby release St. Mary Catholic Middle School and the persons in charge of these outings from any liability in connection with the same.*

*\*We will accept only this form as permission to participate.*

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Authorization for Medical Treatment

*I hereby authorize the treatment, administration of anesthesia or surgical treatment for my minor son/daughter \_\_\_\_\_ in the event of a medical situation occurring during my absence or when the hospital or physician(s) are unable to contact me. This authorization extends to any hospital, physician(s), and nursing personnel within the physician's staff. I release from medical responsibility and liability the hospital, physician(s), and nursing personnel for performing medical procedures acting on the authority of this medical treatment consent form which such medical providers deem necessary for my minor child.*

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*This permission slip is due in the office by Monday, May 13, 2019**

If this form is not returned prior to the field trip, the student will not be allowed to go.  
 Note: For legal reasons, this form must be completed for each field trip for every student.

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**Show Choir to Matthews Senior Living**  
**8:30 to 10 AM**

**Date:** Wednesday, May 15, 2019

**Cost:** None

**Transportation:** SMCS Bus

**Dress:** SMCMS Dress Code/No Dress Code passes may be used

**Optional Materials needed:** None

**Chaperones:** Mr. Bailey

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

# EAA Museum & Congregation B’Nai Israel on May, 2019

## Students will be gone 8:10 to 2:30 PM

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*This permission slip & \$15 is due in the office by Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

If this form is not returned prior to the field trip, the student will not be allowed to go.

Note: For legal reasons, this form must be completed for each field trip for every student.

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### 6<sup>th</sup> grade to EAA Museum and Congregation B’Nai Israel

**Date:** Tuesday, May 14th, 2019

**Cost:** \$15

**Transportation:** Bus

**Dress:** SMCMS Dress Code. No dress code passes may be used.

**Optional Materials needed:** Bag Lunch

**Chaperones:** Mrs. Bonertz, Mrs. Curran, Mrs. Luntz

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## Field Trip Details

### EAA Museum and Congregation B’Nai Israel -Oshkosh on May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019

A part of the current 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Science curriculum is Project Lead the Way (PLTW). As a cornerstone of our Space and Flight unit we will be touring the EAA museum to explore the history of flight and participate in many hands on learning experiences. After our immersive experience we will continue to Congregation B’Nai Israel where the students will spend time exploring a Jewish synagogue. The focus of the 6<sup>th</sup> grade religion curriculum is the Old Testament and the covenants God made with his chosen people. This experience will hopefully help students understand the religious background Jesus experienced growing up. They will also be able to compare and contrast the difference between Jewish and Christian worship space.

## 7th Grade Retreat to St. Paul Combined Locks Friday, May 17 2019 (Note Date change)

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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*\*We will accept only this form as permission to participate.*

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*This permission slip is due in the office by Wednesday, May 10 2019**  
If this form is not returned prior to the field trip, the student will not be allowed to go.  
Note: For legal reasons, this form must be completed for each field trip for every student.

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## 7th Grade Retreat – St. Paul Combined Locks

**Date:** Friday, May 17 2019 **(Note Date Change)**

**Cost:** None

**Transportation:** Bus

**Dress:** Out of dress code

**Optional Materials needed:** cold Lunch or bagged lunch from food service ordered ahead of time.

**Chaperone:** Mrs. Boots, Mrs. Kalas, Mrs. Koskinen Ms. McCarville, Mrs. Pociask



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## 2019 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

### YOUTH AND TEEN CAMPS:

All youth & teen camps are one-week camps, Monday-Friday. Camp cost is \$125 per camp per student.

Youth program is for students aged 7-12, teen program up to age 18. Instructors balance camp activities based on student maturity, confidence and demonstrated sailing acumen. Students will sail on Optimist Prams (Optis) and Club 420s, with some access to Lasers depending on student level.

Students meet at Rec Park, 600 S. Park Ave. in Neenah, behind the Neenah Pool.

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| Session 1: June 10-14 | Session 6: July 22-26       |
| Session 2: June 17-21 | Session 7: July 29-August 2 |
| Session 3: June 24-28 | Session 8: August 5-9       |
| Session 4: July 8-12  | Session 9: August 12-16     |
| Session 5: July 15-19 |                             |

### YOUTH/TEEN SAILING CAMPS

- Option 1: Monday-Friday, 9:00-11:30 am
- Option 2: Monday-Friday, 1:00-3:30 pm

### PRIVATE LESSONS:

We offer private, customized sailing outings in order to provide individual sailing experiences to interested students. Sessions are typically in non-class evenings from 5:30-8:30, specifics to be scheduled with the instructor.

Private lessons are \$85 per student per session.

### ADULT CLASSES:

- Session 1: June 17-July 17 (no classes held the week of July 4th)
- Session 2: July 22-August 14

Monday and Wednesday evenings from 5:30-8:30 p.m.  
Meet at Riverside Park, Neenah – Harbor Wall  
\$325 per student per four week session

- Learn the basics of sailing with US Sailing Certified FVSS instructors
- Instruction customized to experience and ability for each participant by FVSS instructors
- Instructor assistance from NNYC experienced sailors
- Instruction on both Flying Scots & Keel Boats

In coordination with the Neenah-Nodaway Yacht Club (NNYC) students will receive a complimentary 2019 NNYC Associate Membership which includes:

- Opportunities to participate in sailboat racing
- The ability to participate in non-racing sailing events
- NEW THIS YEAR—As part of FVSS training students will have the opportunity to receive the training and experience necessary to reach a certification level permitting them to rent the NNYC sailboat "Where Next" for day sailing on Lake Winnebago!



Enroll Online at:  
[www.FoxValleySailingSchool.org](http://www.FoxValleySailingSchool.org)

Scholarships Available

### VISIT US AT:

#### Summer Kick Off

200 Block of West Wisconsin Avenue,  
Downtown Neenah (Plexus Lawn)  
June 12th • 6-9 pm

#### Sailing Open House

June 15th • 10 am to 2 pm  
Riverside Park Neenah – Harbor Wall  
FREE SAIL BOAT RIDES

Email: [info@foxvalleysailingschool.org](mailto:info@foxvalleysailingschool.org)