



St. Mary Catholic Schools
Grades P3-12

A Community Inspiring Success

*Preparing and inspiring students to lead meaningful lives,
rooted in the teachings of Christ in our Catholic tradition.*

January 29, 2020

*"Each one of them is Jesus in disguise."
St. Teresa of Calcutta*

Happy 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 2020 is "Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed." Thank you for sharing your children with us. We are grateful for the privilege of fulfilling this theme.

2020-21 Priority Registration Ends 2/3/2020

It is our mission to prepare and inspire students to lead meaningful lives, rooted in the teachings of Christ in our Catholic tradition. Ready to enroll? We're as excited as you are! [Register](#) today and learn about our priority registration incentives. Have any questions, or need help? Just Call Kelly Beisenstein-Weiss at (920) 722-7796 ext. 157.

2020-21 SMCS Calendar at a Glance

The [2020-21 calendar](#) has been approved!

Affordable Education Info Session

Monday, February 17 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. at St. Mary Catholic High School

Staff will be available to help with online WPCP applications, tuition assistance applications, Scrip and SMCS registration.

The Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP) allows students to attend a participating private school tuition-free if certain eligibility criteria are met and the students are selected by the Department of Public Instruction (DPI).

Parents must complete the online Private School Choice Program [application](#) during the open application period, February 3-April 16, 2020.

If you have questions or would like to set up a private consult, contact [Shelley Wautlet](#) at (920) 967-0021. More information on the program can be found at the Department of Public Instruction

2020-2021 Tuition Assistance Application Period Now Open!

For those who do not qualify for WPCP, SMCS donor grant funds are available to make sure that every family that wants their children to be a part of the SMCS community can fit tuition into their budget. Complete and return the 2020-2021 SMCS Tuition Assistance/Grant Application by February 25, 2020 for priority consideration. The SMCS tuition assistance requests are maintained with complete confidentiality. Contact Shelley Wautlet swautlet@smcatholicschools.org for more information on assistance and grant options.

[2020-21 Tuition Assistnace Application](#)

State Income Tax Filing - 2019 Tax Deduction

When filing your 2019 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 preschool and prekindergarten payments. Tuition statements for the 2019 calendar year will be mailed by February 5th for families to determine the amount paid in 2019.

[2019 Schedule PS-Fillable](#)

SMCHS New Student Course Selection

SMCHS is holding a Course Selection Night on Monday, February 17 at 6:30 p.m. Incoming freshmen and transfer students along with their parents will have the opportunity to register for 2020-2021 classes and meet with the SMCHS faculty, administrators and guidance professionals.

Z Cabaret

Join us for Z Cabaret February 7 & 8 at 6:00 p.m.. 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 tickets [online](#) or call 920-722-7796.

Fine Arts Fruit Sale

Please consider supporting our fine arts students by making a purchase from a wide array of delicious fruits, nuts and more. The sale will run from January 27 - February 7. Order pick up is scheduled for Thursday, February 27 at 3:00 p.m. in the SMC garage near the football field. Order forms will be available in all SMCS school offices. All forms due February 7. Contact hkraus@smcatholicschools.org for questions.

[New Online Ordering](#)

SMCS Board of Trustees

Looking to share your skills? Consider joining the SMCS Board of Trustees (BOT). The BOT helps to enhance SMCS with leadership, guidance, decision-making, financial support and public relations. Each year we look for individuals with business, marketing, legal, human resources or financial backgrounds; but most importantly you must be ready to help our Catholic schools grow. We are seeking Catholic individuals who are alumni, parents, parish members or anyone with a connection to our school system. Trustees are elected to one three-year term of office and may serve a subsequent term.

Do you wish to be considered for the SMCS BOT? We are currently accepting candidates for consideration. Please contact [Paul Seveska](#) at if you are interested.

Spirit Stop Specials for Catholic Schools Week

Elementary Schools

20% off during the school days

25% off during January 28 Open House

Middle School

20% during school days

25% off during January 28 Open House

High School

20% and an additional 25% off all clearance items

Friday, January 31 from 7:30-8:15 a.m.

Friday, January 31 during Boys Basketball Game

25% off during January 28 Preview Night

Play Lab

All children ages 2-5 accompanied by an adult are encouraged to join us for these free hours of crafts, songs and story time. Contact [Kelly Beisenstein-Weiss](#) to register.

Upcoming Times/Dates/Locations:

February 5	9:00 a.m.	St. Gabriel Elementary
February 12	9:00 a.m.	St. Margaret Mary Elementary

Scrip Volunteers Needed

Scrip volunteers are needed during Thursday processing. Volunteers would be scheduled to help in the SMCS Business Office every week or every other week on Thursday mornings between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Please contact [Shelley Wautlet](#).

Parish Connection

St. Margaret Mary: [That Man Is You](#), [Candlemas](#), [Grief Share](#)

St. Patrick's: [Fish Fry Menu](#),

In the Community

Oshkosh Paks Dept.: [Dance Party](#)

USSA: [Softball Clinic](#)

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