



Race for Education News

On behalf of St. Mary School, we want to thank **ALL** those who helped make our “Race for Education” on October 27th such a success. We are grateful for the label names you sent in, your contributions, and those of you who helped out during our Race Day activities. Thank you so much!

A special thank you to Jennifer Cesare, Jennifer Campolieto, Lori Reilly, Jennifer Sobieski and Cheryl DeFalco, who began working over the summer on our Race for Education.

We are excited to report that we have received a total thus far of close to **\$30,000** from the contributions of our sponsors! However, we are still trying to reach our goal of \$40,000 in order for our school to receive (2) NUT days.

Donations **ARE STILL BEING ACCEPTED**. If anyone has not yet sent in their donation, there is still time to do so in order for our school to reach its goal.

Donations can be mailed in or sent in with your child. You may also donate-on-line at www.smarys.org. When on the home page, go to the bottom right side to the donate-on-line button, this is where you can make a donation for our Race for Education.

Again, **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped make our 5th Annual St. Mary School Race for Education such a great success!!! We are looking forward to continuing our Race for Education for the 2018-2019 school year.

Gratefully,

Mrs. Patricia Mancuso
Principal

Mrs. Jackie Kern
Race Coordinator

SAINT MARY SCHOOL

FAMILY PRAYER CALENDAR NOVEMBER 2017



***PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING ST. MARY SCHOOL FAMILIES
EACH DAY DURING THIS MONTH. THESE FAMILIES WILL ALSO BE REMEMBERED
DURING OUR MORNING PRAYERS.***

<i>SUNDAY</i>	<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>FRIDAY</i>	<i>SATURDAY</i>
			1 <i>DiScienza Family</i> <i>Distefano Family</i>	2 <i>Dizon Family</i> <i>Dodd Family</i>	3 <i>Drahos Family</i> <i>Eberhardt Family</i>	4
5	6 <i>Eckert Family</i> <i>Eddowes Family</i>	7 <i>Elentrio Family</i> <i>Engel Family</i>	8 <i>Esposito Family</i> <i>Farally Family</i> <i>Fauerbach Family</i>	9 <i>Fazzio Family</i> <i>Fleuranville Family</i>	10 <i>Flores Family</i> <i>Foley Family</i>	11
12	13 <i>Foley Family</i> <i>Folk Family</i>	14 <i>Fortunato Family</i> <i>Francesco Family</i> <i>Francis Family</i>	15 <i>Franks Family</i> <i>Froehlich Family</i> <i>Gaidis Family</i>	16 <i>Off</i>	17 <i>Off</i>	18
19	20 <i>Galindo Family</i> <i>Garber Family</i> <i>Garduno Family</i>	21 <i>Gallelli Family</i> <i>Geiss Family</i> <i>Gerst Family</i>	22 <i>Gambone Family</i> <i>Graffeo Family</i> <i>Grant Family</i>	23 <i>Off</i>	24 <i>Off</i>	25
26	27 <i>Green Family</i> <i>Guers Family</i> <i>Guim Family</i>	28 <i>Gregorio Family</i> <i>Haag Family</i> <i>Hagney Family</i>	29 <i>Guerrero Family</i> <i>Hall Family</i> <i>Hand Family</i>	30 <i>Guerrero Family</i> <i>Hampton Family</i> <i>Hall Family</i>		

It's Turkey Feather Time!



Each year the St. Mary Ministry of Student Leadership sponsors a “friendly competition” among homerooms to see who sells the most feathers and earns the most money toward Thanksgiving baskets for parishioners in need.

It is a win-win situation. The Our Lady of Peace Social Concerns committee gets the much needed help for this huge undertaking, and the homeroom that raises the most money will get the much coveted Turkey Feather champion bragging rights for the year! In addition, the students from the homeroom selling the most feathers have their names put in a drawing for a Scrip gift certificate.

Turkey feathers are being sold for 25 cents each or five for \$1.00. Money can be put in a labeled envelope and given to homeroom teachers.

As always, thanks for your help!

SMS Celebrates Thanksgiving

Every November, we celebrate a special Thanksgiving Luncheon for our students. This year our celebration date is Wednesday, November 15th.

We also ask individual grades to contribute to this meal by bringing in a specific item. The memo with this information is on the next page. We are grateful for your contribution of food, time and help to prepare, serve, etc.

The SMS Ministry of Student Leadership is selling "Turkey Feathers". These feathers will be sold in the classrooms and cost \$.25 cents each or 5 for \$1.00. They will be glued to a turkey that will be placed on the door of each classroom. The money will be used to purchase food for the Thanksgiving Food Drive.

SMS also joins our parish community in donating non-perishable food to contribute to the Thanksgiving Dinner of families in need. Your contributions could include stuffing, soup, cranberry sauce, pasta, pasta sauce, gravy, boxed potatoes, boxed desserts, canned vegetables and canned yams. This food will be kept in the classrooms and gathered on November 17th. Please be sure to check expiration dates on these foods.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



At SMS we have a **GRATITUDE ATTITUDE!**

Dear Parents/Guardians:

In an effort to reinforce the true spirit of Thanksgiving and to reenact the first Thanksgiving, we are asking that each child contribute to the dinner in a small way. We have planned a menu that we feel the children will enjoy and celebrate as a school family. This special luncheon will be celebrated on Wednesday, November 15th. This day will be a “Spirit Day” for grades **K-7**. Students in grades **K-7** may wear spirit wear with jeans or sweatpants. The day promises to be truly a joyous occasion.

We ask that each child contribute to the feast in the following manner:

Please bring into school by Friday, November 10th, the following (except cupcakes and rolls which will be brought in on Wednesday, November 15th) and please label these donations as “school luncheon” so they do not get mixed in with the other food donations.

K1 and K2 ... We ask that each child contribute twelve (12) cupcakes each.

Please bring the cupcakes in on Wednesday morning, November 15th.

1A and 1B ... We ask each child to bring in one (1) 12 oz. canister of Flexible Stove Top Stuffing Mix (**Chicken Flavor only**).

2A and 2B ... We ask each child to bring in a dozen (12) dinner rolls (**already cooked**)

Please bring the rolls in on Wednesday morning, November 15th.

3A ... We ask each child to bring in one (1) can of Jellied Cranberry Sauce.

3B ... We ask each child to bring in one (1) jar of applesauce.

4A and 4B ... We ask each child to bring in one (1) large box of Hungry Jack Instant Mashed Potatoes.

5A and 5B ... We ask each child to bring in three (3) cans of turkey gravy.

6A and 6B ... We ask each child to bring in four (4) cans of corn - **no cream corn, please.**

7A and 7B ... We ask each child to bring in one (1) pound of butter.

8A and 8B ... We ask each child to bring in (2) packs (16 at least) of Thanksgiving napkins.

We thank you in advance for your generosity in making this special luncheon truly “spirited” for your children.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Patricia Mancuso
Principal



October, 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians,

For your planning and convenience, FACTS Tuition Assistance will be available for the 2018-2019 school year beginning on November 1, 2017. There is a \$15 application fee which will need to be paid online before submitting the application.

All applications must be completed electronically at <https://online.factsmgmt.com/signin/3KGBP>. You will come to the home page and then be able to log on using your username and password for your FACTS account. You will then see a link that will take you to the tuition assistance application. The 2016 tax returns will be used for your application. All required documentation must be submitted for the application to be processed. **Only completed applications will be considered.** It is the responsibility of the family to supply all necessary paperwork.

The deadline for applying for tuition assistance is December 31st. If you have any questions regarding FACTS Tuition Assistance procedures please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Patricia Mancuso
Principal

ST. MARY'S PTA PRESENTS
"HARVEST HOEDOWN"
Grades K-5 DANCE

When: Friday, November 3rd

Time: 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Where: Assumption Hall

Admission Information

\$5.00 per child \$3.00 per Adult

Every child must be accompanied by a chaperone

Tickets may be purchased at the door

Music----Fun----Food

"Harvest Hoedown"

Name: _____ Class: _____

of Children: _____ # of Adults: _____

Total \$ Amount Enclosed: _____ Please Note: You will not receive tickets. You will only need to check in at the door.

Thank you for your support!

SPORTS NEWS

BASKETBALL TRYOUTS

JV GIRLS TRYOUTS (grades 5th and 6th)

Tryouts will be held on Saturday, November 4th from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm in Assumption Hall.

***Reminder: **All registration forms must be submitted before tryouts.** Once players are selected for a team, they must have all required paperwork submitted before they are able to attend a practice. Forms are available at www.smarys.org. If you have any questions please email Rob Logan at athletics@smarys.org

Thank you.

SPORTS NEWS

SPONSOR A TEAM

Sponsor an Intramural Basketball team for \$150.00. Players wear your shirt, advertising your business around town.

Name _____

Homeroom _____ A B

Writing on back of shirts:



July 2017

Dear Business Owner,

We are writing to you on behalf of **St. Mary School, a mission of Our Lady of Peace Parish, Monroe Township**. Our mission is to teach and inspire our students as they discover and develop their talents, enabling them to attain their God-given potential. In turn, they contribute to a vibrant parish and community now and in the future.

Our 2017-2018 St. Mary School Annual Fund is currently underway and we would like to invite you, a local business owner, to participate in our campaign in a very special way.

St. Mary School is offering a program called the **"SMS 100 Club"**. This program enables local businesses to donate a tax-deductible gift of \$100 to this year's Annual Fund. Your business' generosity will be acknowledged on our website, in our Annual Report, and in a variety of written communication to our school families during the 2017-2018 school year. Your business name will be seen by close to 400 school families as well as the hundreds of visitors to our website and recipients of our Annual Report. We welcome our local businesses to take part in this new initiative which greatly supports our school. Our goal is to have at least 100 local businesses participate in our new program.

Gifts in support of the St. Mary School Annual Fund are used for programs that allow our parish school to carry on their mission and motto of ***Learning and Living in Christ***. Donations will be used for supplemental materials to enhance our math and language arts curriculum, additional technology resources, hands-on equipment for our science lab, professional development for our teachers, purchase of classroom furniture and other essential educational needs. Through your support we can continue to enrich academic life by providing critical resources for new technology and academic initiatives for 21st century learning, which allows our students to develop the necessary skills to succeed now, in high school and beyond.

We invite you to join us in showing your commitment to the future of St. Mary School and to please consider St. Mary School among your philanthropic priorities. On behalf of our school community and especially our children, thank you for helping to invest in the minds of tomorrow.

Gratefully,

Rev. Cadmus Mazzarella
Pastor, Our Lady of Peace Parish

Mrs. Patricia Mancuso
Principal, St. Mary School

Attached you will find the form needed to participate in our "SMS 100 Club" program. Please complete the form and send it with your \$100 donation to SMS 100 Club, St. Mary School, 32A Carroll Ave., Williamstown, NJ 08094. If you are a school family, you may send in your donation and form with your child, addressed to Jackie Kern in the Advancement Office.

Please make all checks payable to St. Mary School Annual Fund.

Learning and Living in Christ



SMS 100 Club Application:

(Please print)

Company Name (as you would like it to be listed):

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Company Website: _____

Contact Person: _____

Contact Person's phone number:

Office: _____

Cell: _____

Contact Person's E-mail: _____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Thank you for your support of St. Mary School

Your company name and phone number will be listed on the St. Mary School website (as you have indicated above) upon receipt of your donation and application form and will remain there for the 2017-2018 school year.

Your business name will also be listed in our 2017-2018 Annual Report as well as periodic communications with our school families throughout the year. Also a reminder that your donation is tax-deductible.

On behalf of our school community and especially our children, thank you for helping to invest in the minds of tomorrow as St. Mary School continues, for another 60 years, **Learning and Living in Christ.**



PICTURE DAY AT SMS

Students at St. Mary School will have individual pictures taken on the days listed below. Order forms are being sent home today in Communication Folders.

<p><u>Thursday, November 9th</u></p> <p>Tuesday/Thursday Preschool Students</p> <p>Kindergarten – 8th Grades</p>	<p><u>Monday, November 27th*</u></p> <p>Monday/Wednesday/Friday Preschool Students</p> <p>*Please note date change</p>
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Students may wear whatever you wish for their pictures either casual school appropriate clothing or their school uniform. Life Touch recommends colorful clothing. If your student has gym on Thursday, November 9th they are to wear their “picture clothes” and not their gym clothes.



**SAVE THE DATE –
DESIGNER BAG BINGO**

Saturday, Nov. 18th, 2017 4-10pm
(Doors open at 4:30pm)

Ladies!!! Come join us for a night of Bingo for Coach Bags and 50/50. Get all your girlfriends together for a FUN GIRLS NIGHT OUT!! Bring your favorite drinks & appetizers for you and your friends to share, and come to the Assumption Hall at St. Mary’s School Gym of Our Lady of Peace Parish for a fabulous evening of Coach Bag FUN! We will be playing 10 games of Bingo plus Specials—winner of each game will receive a Beautiful Coach Bag. Also try your luck at our 50/50.

Tickets are \$25 per person which includes 10 games of bingo plus 1 special. Additional games can be purchased along with dabbers. Make your check payable to: Our Lady of Peace Parish (OLOPP). Tables are forming fast! Tickets will be sold until it sells out!! Stop by the Parish Center to get tickets or send your money into St. Mary’s School with COACH BAG BINGO tickets on envelope.

Any questions, please contact Loren Laughlin at the Parish Center 856-629-6142. Looking forward to seeing you there!!

Name: _____ # of tickets: _____

Child’s Name/Grade that tickets are to be sent home with:

*****IF YOU WANT TO SIT WITH A PARTICULAR GROUP, PLEASE REQUEST TICKETS UNDER THAT PERSONS NAME TO BE SIT WITH OR NOTE ON YOUR ORDER*****

Attention all NEW and CURRENT St. Mary School Volunteers:

As per the Diocese of Camden, school volunteers must have CAP (Child Assault Prevention) training every 5 years. If you are a new volunteer and have never attended a CAP session before, you will have to attend a CAP 1 session.

If you are a current volunteer and have attended a CAP session you have the option of attending CAP 1 again or you may attend the CAP 2 session. Please see below for the June CAP dates and locations.

If you have any questions regarding CAP, please email Ann Marie Morales at mainoffice2@smarys.org.



DIOCESE OF CAMDEN
Office of Child and Youth Protection

We can be sure that we love God's children when we love God and do what He has commanded. 1 John 5:2

The Office of Child and Youth Protection is announcing CAP (Child Assault Prevention) sessions. CAP is the safe environment training program for adults who have regular contact with minors. Attendance is required in order to comply with the USCCB's *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*. The policy of the Diocese of Camden is that adults will attend CAP once every five years.

CAP 1 teaches attendees to **recognize child abuse and neglect** and how to report to the proper authorities. Adults are taught that children have the right to be safe, strong and free. CAP 1 is for new volunteers and employees.

CAP 2 is called **CAP's Bullying Prevention Program** and is a workshop addressing bullying awareness and bullying prevention. Cyber-bullying is also presented.

CAP 3 is called **Cyber-Empowerment** and is a workshop which promotes adults understanding of cyber activity of youth while teaching them realistic ways to help children keep their own rights and guard the rights of others in the cyber-sphere.

Each presentation is 90 minutes.

Adults who are new employees or volunteers should attend CAP 1 before attending CAP 2 or CAP 3. After five years, adults have the option of attending CAP 1, 2 or 3 when they renew their CAP.

The following sessions will be offered in **November 2017**:

CAP Phase 1

Date	Time	Location
Sunday, November 5th	1:00 PM	Holy Family Parish 226 Hurffville Road, Sewell
Wednesday, November 8th	7:00 PM	St. Teresa of Calcutta (Good Shepherd School) 100 Lees Avenue, Collingswood
Thursday, November 9th	6:30 PM	St. Teresa School 27 E. Evesham Road, Runnemede
Español CAP 1: sábado 11 de noviembre	10:00 AM	Pro-Catedral de San José 2907 Federal Street, Camden
Wednesday, November 15th	7:00 PM	St. Rose of Lima Parish 300 Kings Hwy. Haddon Heights
Thursday, November 16th	2:00 PM	Catholic Charities (Training Room) 1845 Haddon Avenue, Camden

CAP Phase 2

Date	Time	Location
Tuesday, November 7th	7:00 PM	St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish 200 W. Tuckahoe Road, Marmora
Tuesday, November 21st	7:00 PM	St. Charles Borromeo Parish 176 Stagecoach Road, Sicklerville

CAP Phase 3

Date	Time	Location
Sunday, November 5th	3:00 PM	Holy Family Parish 226 Hurffville Road, Sewell
Wednesday, November 15th	7:00 PM	Assumption Regional School 146 S. Pitney Road, Galloway
Monday, November 27th	7:00 PM	Holy Eucharist Parish 344 Kresson Road, Cherry Hill

To attend one of these classes, please call the **CAP REGISTRATION LINE** at the Office of Child and Youth Protection: **(856)583-6165**, or contact **Maryellen Schell** at **maryellen.schell@camdendiocese.org**. **Please leave your name and the session date** you plan to attend. You **will not** receive a call back. **We ask that you register at least five days before the session you would like to attend.**

The CAP schedule, location, phone numbers and directions may be found on the Diocesan website **www.camdendiocese.org/cyp**.

IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER PLEASE CALL THE LOCATION DIRECTLY