

January 5, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Happy New Year! I hope that you enjoyed the holiday season!

Re-registration information for the 2021-2022 school year was sent home before Christmas break and is posted in today's on-line weekly communication. Please fill out the form and send in the registration fee no later than Friday, February 5<sup>th.</sup> Based on current enrollment capacity, it is very important that we have an accurate enrollment number for our planning. We have had much interest in our school and are currently accepting applications for admissions.

We are in the midst of planning for Catholic Schools Week which kicks off the weekend of January 30<sup>th</sup>. Although our week will look different than in years past, we will still be celebrating how lucky we are to learn, pray and grow in such a special environment.

Please refer to the email that was sent home yesterday as a reminder regarding attendance in school when a family member is sick.

I wish you peace and happiness in 2021! Thank you again for all the treats and kind wishes for Christmas!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Mancuso

### ST. MARY SCHOOL <u>RE-REGISTRATION FORM FOR CURRENT STUDENTS ONLY</u> for the school year 2021-2022

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If you are registering any NEW STUDENTS FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR (kindergarten, preschool or  $1^{st} - 7^{th}$  grade) we ask you to visit our website, <u>www.smarys.org</u> and under the Admissions Tab, click on How to Enroll at SMS 2021-2022 and you will see all of the items needed for registration as well as the paperwork needed to be filled out. Everything can be scanned and emailed back to Jackie Kern at <u>advancementoffice@smarys.org</u>.

Please be sure to send everything back in one email to ensure all items are received. All new students will be added to your current FACTS account unless you indicate to us otherwise.

**Please check:** 

\_\_\_\_\_ I will not be registering my child/ren in SMS for the next school year.

Please list the reason on the other side. Thank you!

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, BUT BY **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2021** AT THE LATEST. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PROMPT RETURN OF THIS INFORMATION.

# Student of the Month December 2020

Congratulations to the following students:

Isabella Pou	K1	Paislee Gunson	K2
Ariana King	1A	Brennan Guers	1B
Daniel Prokopiak	2A	Ella Beltran	2B
Zeke Manley	3A	Julianna Turchi	3B
Alexander Trampe`	4A	Elijah Wolf	4B
Owen Shaffer	5A	Madelyn Bock	5B
Danny Emmanuel	6A	Abigail Bryson	6B
Vincent Perri	7A	Anthony Gregorio	7B
Francis Semiraglio	8A	Jacob Lukasiewicz	8B





## HOUSE POINTS WINNERS 2020 – 2021

House of Saint PatrickBHouse of Saint ValentineNHouse of Saint JosephPatrickHouse of Saint FrancisGHouse of Saint TheresaJatrickHouse of Saint ElizabethMHouse of Saint DominicJatrickHouse of Saint Joan of ArcVHouse of Servant Maria EsperanzaJatrick

Bianca DelGozzo
Nicholas Hadley
Peyton Barr
Giovanna Arango
Jonathan Trail
Max Canders
Jacqueline Lyons
Vincent Rice
Joseph Peacock

### The division winners for highest points

- Division 1 House of Saint Patrick and House of St. Valentine (Tie)
- Division 2 House of Saint Theresa
- Division 3 House of Maria Esperanza



## Jesus Fish Jr. Youth Group 6th-8th grade



### **IMPORTANT INFO:**

Please wear your mask & social distance when possible. Disinfecting takes place before & after each meeting. When we meet, we break into groups of 10 in separate meeting rooms.

### JANUARY

Sunday, January 17th: Bring a board game night and Catholic Trivia Night. Meet Marian Hall 7-9pm.

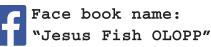
Sunday, February 14th: Valentine's Party and Saint Paint Night! We will make Valentine cards and will paint rocks as well as canvases with our favorite saint's quotes on them. Wear a shirt that is ok for painting. Meet from 7-9pm in Marian Hall

### Guys and Girls Spiritual Guidance Groups Every Thursday, at our NEW LOCATION

Join us every Thursday from 2:45-4:15pm for Guys & Girls faith sharing groups led by Fr. Mazz, Youth Minister Kari and our CORE Team Youth Group Leaders. Free Pizza will be served, followed by faith sharing time. SMS Students please send in a cars & walkers note to come over. Other students can come late during the pizza time (we will save you some)! Meet in Marian Hall which is located under the Church. Enter through side door of the church which leads to Marian Hall.

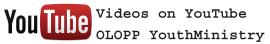


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## **Champion Coach Note**

Educating and Forming Champion Coaches

### A Team for Every Child

## **Building Team Culture**



A great team culture is one of the most significant components of building a *Champion* athletic program. It's crucial that coaches set clear expectations for what a team stands for, from team values to how athletes are expected to act both on and off the field.

Lou Holtz knows a thing or two about building a great culture. A member of the College Football Hall of Fame, he is the only coach in history to take six different programs to a bowl game, with a record four different programs finishing in the Top 20 in year-end rankings. In the video above, Holtz shares his thoughts on building team culture, as well as his three team rules:

#### Do What's Right Do Everything to the Best of Your Ability Show People You Care

Holtz used these three rules to build *Champion* programs and so can you. As we enter the new year, take a moment to evaluate your team culture and determine a few ways you can improve that culture in 2021. Have you <u>outlined core values with your team</u>? Do student-athletes understand what's expected of them during practice, in the classroom, or outside the school walls? Have you spent time building relationships between coaches, teammates and even the parents who support your team? Do you really LOVE your athletes and how do you show them this care and concern? Set a goal to improve any area you have identified as a weakness in the coming year. By building a better team culture, you'll be on your way to developing *Champions* in 2021.

"And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." ~ Colossians 3:17

### **St. Mary's Halo Award Initiative**

It is important to celebrate your athletes for their positive displays of character and virtue. St. Mary's High School in Annapolis created the **Halo Award,** an honor given to a student-athlete that "demonstrates excellence and teamwork and goes above and beyond expectations." To the right is a picture of the Halo Award, which is a coin.

Here are examples of students who have received a HALO Award:



Charlotte: Senior, Field Hockey, Track & Lacrosse.

Workouts were optional, yet Charlotte had perfect attendance all summer and fall, coming ready to work hard at every session. She inspires her teammates with her work ethic and dedication to improvement. Charlotte was presented the HALO by the Coach who ran the workout sessions.

#### Logan: Senior, Baseball, Leader of Champs and a Member of SAIL.

Logan organized a *Champs* service project for the Chesapeake Bay Foundation. Logan worked with the St. Mary's administration on planning an out-of-uniform week for students and organizing the donations to CBF. He communicated with all homerooms, organized donations and worked with CBF on all of the details. Among the first service projects of the year, the project was flawless. This project inspired others and created a sense of normalcy this school year. Logan was presented the HALO by Allison Fondale, Athletic Director.

#### McKenzie: Junior, Field Hockey and Lacrosse.

McKenzie was recovering from an injury in a prior field hockey game. When attending her team's game she overheard there was not a game day official to cover the scoreboard. Though she had never worked in a press box, she immediately volunteered knowing she would not be able to be on the sidelines with her team. McKenzie did a great job and the game went smoothly. McKenzie then insisted that she work the varsity game also as it was a way for her to support the senior class on senior night, giving back to a group of girls that meant a lot to her. McKenzie was presented the HALO by Allison Fondale, Athletic Director at lunch in front of half of the student body who began cheering for her! A fun moment for sure!

What do you do to celebrate your athletes' displays of virtue?

### A Prayer by St. Teresa of Avila



May today there be peace within. May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith. May you use those gifts that you have received, and pass on the love that has been given to you. May you be content knowing you are a child of God. Let this presence settle into your bones and allow your soul the freedom to play, dance, praise and love. It is there for each and every one of us. Amen.

St. Teresa of Avila was a Spanish Carmelite nun who lived from 1515-1582. A mystic and Doctor of the Church, Teresa experienced profound visions from God and is credited with a major role in the renewal of the Church and the Carmelite religious order. She is the patron saint of headache sufferers.

Play Like a Champion's "Daily Prayers for Champions" page has been updated! Visit <u>www.playlikeachampion.org/prayer</u> for more than 200 prayers plus resources that can help you and your team grow closer to God while participating in sports.

Access Resources & Learn More at www.playlikeachampion.org

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