

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM FACTS TUITION

Please be advised that FACTS Tuition Management Company will send an email with the tuition information for the 2021 – 2022 school year within the next few days. The information will also include the date FACTS will automatically be deducting the non-refundable \$44.00 enrollment fee for those choosing the monthly payment.

For those families awarded Tuition Assistance this email will not include your assistance. You will receive another email with your new tuition amount by the end of May.

Thank you.



Dear Parents/Guardians:

The 8th grade yearbook staff has put together a wonderful collection of memories of the 2020 – 2021 school year. If you are interested in purchasing a yearbook, please click on the link below. The cost of the yearbook is \$26.66. The 8th grade students do not need to purchase a yearbook as it was included in their graduation fee.

<http://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A05208500>

The yearbooks will be delivered to school and sent home sometime in June.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Graber
Ms. Brino
8th grade teachers

SMS PTA BASKET RAFFLE



When: Saturday, June 5

Time: 10am-3pm

(Basket Drawings to begin @ 3:30pm)

Where: Side Parking Lot

Tickets can be purchased at any time through school or the day of the event from 10am-2pm.

1 sheet = \$15

3 sheets = \$40

(25 chances per sheet)

We plan on allowing small groups to walk through to view the baskets and drop in their tickets. **As Covid restrictions change, we will adjust our plans accordingly and let everyone know.**

Those interested but are uncomfortable with a group situation can send their tickets to school in an envelope marked “**PTA Basket Raffle**” with your basket choices.

A PTA member will place your tickets in the baskets you have chosen.

(Participants need not be present to win)

Basket Auction Tickets

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Number of Tickets: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Make Checks payable to “St. Mary School”

SMS PTA
BASKET RAFFLE
DONATIONS NEEDED



Dear Parents/Guardians and Friends of St. Mary School:

Our PTA Basket Raffle Committee is currently collecting prizes and donations for our Basket Raffle which will be held on Saturday, June 5, 2021 at St. Mary School in Williamstown, NJ. We would greatly appreciate any contributions that you and/or your business can donate. The basket raffle has various levels of prizes, from gift certificates on up, so no prize/donation is too small or too large! We gladly accept gift cards and monetary donations that the committee will use to purchase prizes.

Please send or drop off your contributions to the school office by **Thursday, May 27, 2021**. If necessary, arrangements can be made to have your donations picked up by a member of the committee.

It is only through the generous participation of the parents/guardians, families and friends of St. Mary School that we are able to make this fundraiser a success.

Please attach the slip below with your donations

Prize: _____

Monetary/Gift Card Contribution: \$ _____

Name: _____

Classroom: _____

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS AND FOR SUPPORTING ST. MARY SCHOOL!

JOIN ST. MARY SCHOOL VIRTUALLY FOR A FACEBOOK LIVE OF OUR MONTHLY SCHOOL MASS

Thursday, May 13, 2021 at 9 A.M.

St. Mary School Monthly Mass
Led by our 4th Grade

Watch our monthly St. Mary School Mass – LIVE on our official St. Mary School Facebook page during a Facebook LIVE.

Mass begins at 9 A.M.

You can like our official St. Mary School Facebook page by searching on
Facebook:

stmarysschoolwilliamstown

Or if you are not on Facebook, you can click our official Facebook page located on the bottom front of our website, www.smarys.org. Just click the Facebook icon—you may have to refresh the screen a few times before Mass begins or even during the Mass.



Facebook:

Stmarysschoolwilliamstown

School masses will be held once a month. Due to social distancing restrictions, one grade will attend the mass while the other grades will live stream through Facebook. Parents/guardians will not be able to attend the mass but will also be able to watch through Facebook. Grade 4 will be attending our mass. We will be following all guidelines set forth by the Diocese of Camden regarding masses.

JOIN ST. MARY SCHOOL VIRTUALLY FOR A
FACEBOOK LIVE OF OUR
MAY CROWNING AND LIVING ROSARY

Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at 9 A.M.

St. Mary School Living Rosary

Led by our 8th Grade

Watch our May Crowning and Living Rosary – LIVE on our official St. Mary School Facebook page during a Facebook LIVE.

Prayer Service begins at 9 A.M.

You can like our official St. Mary School Facebook page by searching on
Facebook:

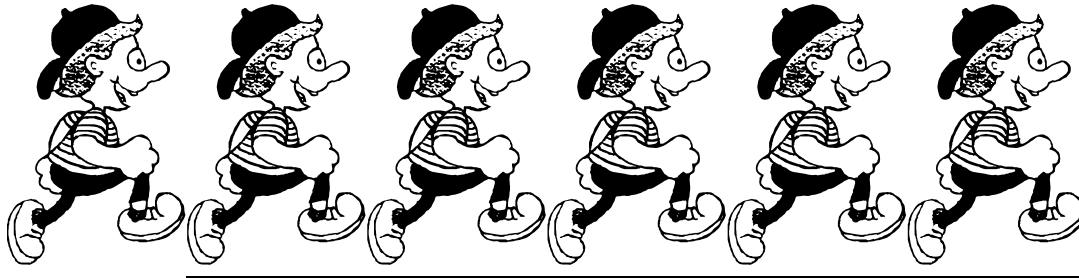
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Race for Education UPDATE!

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Congratulations to everyone who participated and donated to the 2020-2021 Race for Education. It was a great success!

Our goal this year was \$40,000—and although we did not make this goal, everyone worked so hard; therefore, all students, faculty and staff will receive a **NUT Card Day** on---- **Friday, May 28, 2021.**

Please follow the guidelines for NUT card days as stated in our Handbook and listed below: *If this is your normal gym day, we ask you to please remember to wear sneakers this day.*

“NUT Card/ Dress Down Days Students generally conduct themselves in a manner similar to the way they dress and groom. Therefore, even on dress down days, short shorts, spaghetti strap tank tops, ripped jeans, shirts with inappropriate slogans, and make up are not permitted. Shirts and dresses must have sleeves. The mid-section must be completely covered. Yoga pants or leggings without a long shirt are not permitted. Slip on shoes, flip flops, sandals or any open toe shoes are not permitted for the safety of our students. Shorts may not be worn during our winter months – November thru March. If a NUT Card is used on a student’s scheduled gym day, the student must wear sneakers to participate in gym. If shorts or skirts are worn during warm weather uniform days, shorts must be fingertip length. NUT cards may only be used during the winter months. If students are not appropriately dressed we may call home for parent to bring suitable clothing or provide a uniform piece. NUT CARDS MAY NOT BE USED ON DAYS SCHEDULED WITH MASS OR SPECIAL EVENTS. Birthday NUT cards may only be worn during winter months.”

Gratefully,

Patricia Mancuso, Principal & Jackie Kern, *Race* Coordinator

St. Mary School PDQ Restaurant Gift Card Sale!



Please help support St. Mary School !!

We are offering \$10.00 PDQ gift cards for \$8.00.

Place your order today!

They make great gifts!

Please enclose the completed form below with your payment -- cash or check (made payable to St. Mary School) Attention: Advancement Office and return it to school. There is a limited supply of gift cards. Don't' delay order yours today!

PDQ Gift Card Sale

Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Number of cards: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____ (Please circle-- cash or check)

“ATTENTION” News from the Cafeteria

June Birthday Celebration Requests

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we move to the end of the school year, I would like to bring to your attention that if you are planning on having a Birthday Celebration for your child in June all requests **MUST be in by Friday, June 4th**. Any requests after this date may not be able to be honored. Please also take note that Friday, June 11th is a 12:15 dismissal, no parties can be scheduled on that day.

I am sure dates are going to fill up fast, so please get your request in as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact me at smw@nsfm.com or call me at 856-629-6190 ext. 317.

Thank you,
Debbie Spasari

ACTION ALERT

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!!!

PLEASE TAKE 5 MINUTES TO

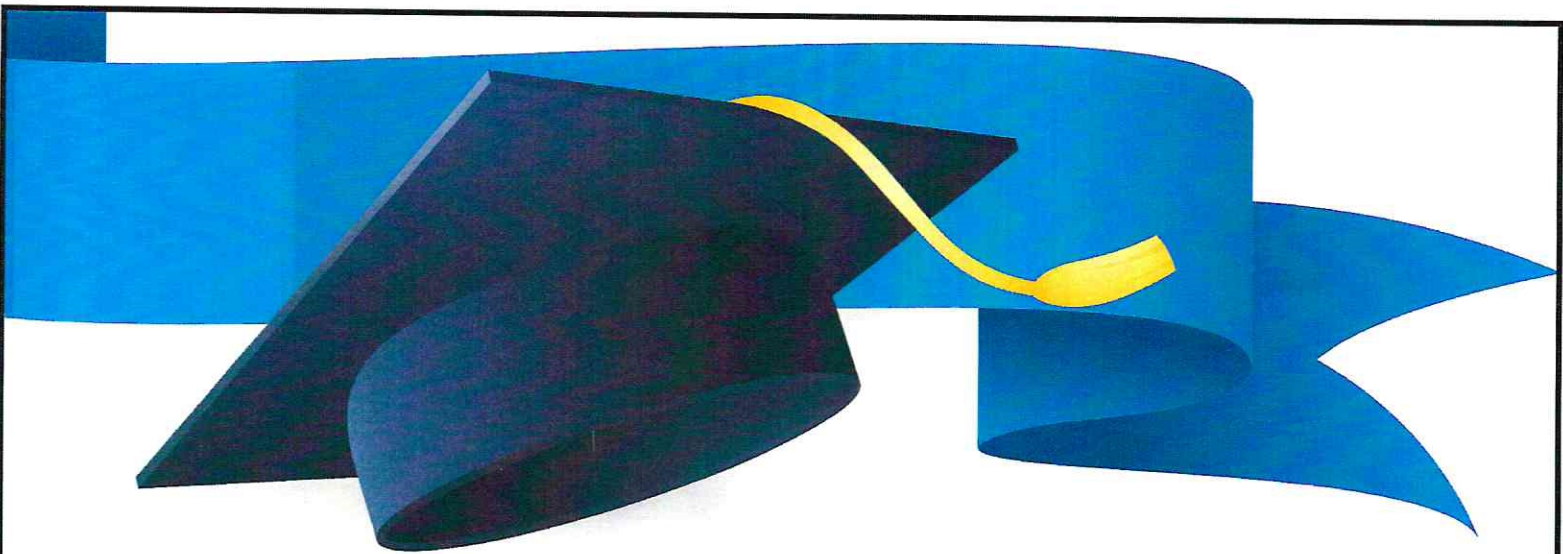
HELP OUR CATHOLIC

SCHOOL STUDENTS!!!

PLEASE LOG IN TO THE VOTER VOICE SYSTEM USING THE FOLLOWING LINK TO ASK YOUR LEGISLATORS IN TRENTON TO SUPPORT INCREASES IN FUNDING FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS IN THE AREAS OF TRANSPORTATION AND TECHNOLOGY.

<https://www.votervoice.net/NJCC/Campaigns/83759/Respond>

Thank you for your support.



Parents, Feature your Graduate in the
CATHOLIC STAR HERALD
Graduation Listing in the June 11 Issue

OPTION 1 – \$80.00

**GRADUATION
PHOTO AND TEXT LISTING:**

Listing includes an official school portrait, the graduate's name, school and a 20-word personal message from you.

OPTION 2 – \$30.00

GRADUATION TEXT ONLY LISTING:

Listing includes the graduate's name, school and a 30-word personal message from you.

**BOTH OPTIONS
WILL BE PUBLISHED IN
BLACK & WHITE**

We will convert your color photos to B&W.

*Visit www.Catholicstarherald.org
and click on*



to upload your information.

Deadline for Submissions is MAY 21!

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**CATHOLIC
STAR HERALD**

**PLAY LIKE
A CHAMPION
TODAY**

A Team for Every Child

Champion Parent Note

Educating and Forming Champion Parents

Setting the Example

In April alone, three separate incidents made national news headlines after parents, coaches and an official were involved in fights at youth sporting events. An Indiana girls AAU Basketball game [turned into a "wild brawl"](#) when team coaches and parents got into an altercation with an official. In Michigan, an indoor flag football game turned violent when [a coach punched a parent](#) following a disagreement over a call made on the field. Finally, [police are investigating a fistfight](#) that ruined the end of a club basketball game in Colorado after a player reported an opposing parent made demeaning comments during a game. It's notable that both the Indiana and Colorado melees included players throwing punches as well as adults.



Perhaps it's not surprising that a young athletes would get involved based on what we know about the influence of parents. Decades of research have found that parents set an important example for their children, particularly in areas of moral development. In short, parents model for their children how to behave in certain situations and children respond accordingly as they grow and develop. Yet too many sports parents continue to set the wrong example, not only in extreme situations like the fights above, but in more subtle ways such as blaming game officials, questioning coach decisions, or making negative comments about opposing players or fans.

It's important to assess our behavior as a sports parent and consider the example we are setting for our own child. **Take a moment to reflect on the last practice or game you attended. What did you say and do?** Were you positive and encouraging with the young athletes, including your own? Have you ever raised your voice or made negative comments toward officials, coaches, athletes or other parents? Have you disparaged any of these individuals in front of your child in the car or at home? If you're a fan of college or professional sports, it might also be helpful to consider how you react while watching those games. Children pickup on our words and actions in those situations as well, learning what sort of words and behaviors are appropriate in the sports environment.

The good news is, we can have a positive impact on our children moving forward. Whether we identify with some of the negative influences above or have been a model of positive behavior, our future words and actions can make a difference in the lives of our children and on youth sports as a whole. If our self-evaluation reveals areas we can improve, take steps to build positive habits in these areas (see [10 Commandments for Sports Parents](#) below for several examples). If we're already setting a positive example, consider how you can empower others to do the same and stand-up against toxic behavior on the sidelines of practices and games.

Finally, all parents should take time to talk to your children about the right way to behave when it comes to youth sports. Discuss situations that arise during practices or games and talk about how children should handle themselves. If parents are intentional about promoting positive behavior while setting a good example themselves, we can avoid news headlines like those above and get back to a fun youth sports experience that develops virtue in athletes of all ages.

Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it. ~ Proverbs 22:6

10 Commandments for Sports Parents



Play Like a Champion offers the **10 Commandments for Sports Parents** as a helpful reminder of the ways we can create a positive youth sports experience for our children. Too often, we get lost in the heat of competition and forget the game belongs to our children. Whether on the way to an event, during practice or competition, or on the way home, these 10 commandments remind us to thank God for the gift of sports, focus on things like goal setting, and remain positive. Click the link below to access a PDF

of these helpful tips, or contact us to request the 10 Commandments for Sports Parents on small printed cards that can be distributed to sports parents in your school or organization.

Download the 10 Commandments for Sports Parents

A Prayer for Sports Moms

With Mother's Day this past Sunday, we want to take a moment to recognize & celebrate mothers! Moms contribute so much to a child's sports experience; from practices to games & everything in-between, youth sports wouldn't be possible without you!

Lord, help me to remember I'm having fun ---
The chaos, the rushing, the meals on the run.
Don't let us forget the equipment we need,
and not get delayed so we don't have to speed.
May I cheer even if my child is benched,
or it's raining or snowing, and I'm cold and drenched.

And may I not right in mid-game stop to think,
"Oh, no, I forgot it's my day for drinks!"
For I know it's important to show my support,
to be there for my kids, as their youth is so short.
I thank you for having this time with them Lord,
for being a Sports Mom is its own reward.
Amen.



Play Like a Champion's "Daily Prayers for Champions" page has been updated! Visit www.playlikeachampion.org/daily-prayers 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