

# Messages from the School Office



- Welcome Back to School!
- Please send in separate checks when paying for items such as school supplies, technology fee, pretzels, before care, after care, lunch, PTA Fundraisers, etc.
- **Sports note:** Intramural soccer will be held at 5:15 pm all six weeks.



September 2, 2025

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to school! September is always an exciting time of the year...new books, new teachers, new supplies! We have many great plans for the year and look forward to the time we will spend with the children.

Our Back to School Nights are scheduled for grades K-4 on Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> and grades 5-8 on Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. More specific information for the first Back to School Night is a part of the online weekly communication.

Our Opening Liturgy is Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 9AM. At this time we will install the Ministers of Student Leadership. Parents and guardians are welcome to join us at our masses. We ask that you sit in the last two pews of the church or upstairs in the cry room.

Applications for the National Free and Reduced Lunch Program are now due. The application was emailed to each school family during the summer and can be found on the front page of our website under Important Info. Lunch price for the 25-26 school year is \$3.40 for students.

We continue to have a very large number of car riders this year. Using two entrances to the school building helps with the flow of traffic on the property upon arrival and we hope that there will not be a back up on Main St.! Please remember to pull all the way up so that we can unload as many cars as possible at one time. For dismissal, we ask that parents/guardians of car riders (especially kindergarten and new families) create a sign with the child's name to hold at dismissal time. This will make the connection between parent and child easier at this time until we get to know all of our new families. Please travel slowly through the parking lot and follow the traffic patterns. The entrance to the lot is the first driveway closest to the church. The center driveway is for exiting and the last driveway is for buses only. We are utilizing as many faculty and staff members at dismissal time both in the building and as escorts leading the children to the correct exit.

We will continue to use the large drop box outside the front doors to the office. It will be unlocked from 8:00AM - 3:30PM each day. The drop box is for forgotten lunches, books, supplies, clothes, etc. Please ring the bell and let the office staff know you dropped off an item. It will be checked throughout the day. Be sure all items are labeled with your child's full name

and homeroom. Items to be picked up at the end of the day for absence etc... will be found in the pick-up box.

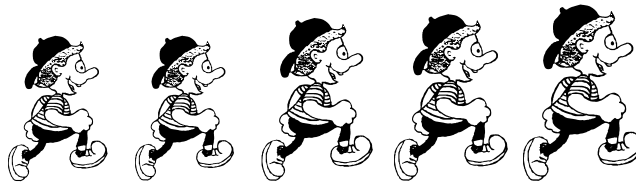
Northeastern Music Programs will provide band lessons to our students in grades 3-8. The band demo for students is on Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup> and the Virtual Band parent meeting is Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM. Please see the front of our website for more information.

FACTS SIS (RenWeb) is our student information system. You will be able to access your child's grades and report cards through this portal. Please be sure to check it regularly. I encourage you to be in contact with your child's teacher with any questions or concerns you may have. We would like to work together with you to make this year a great one for your family!

I am looking forward to our new year! Be sure to look for our first day of school pictures on Facebook. If you have not liked our page, please do so! You can access our Facebook page from the front of our website. The building looks great, the teachers are excited, and the children are ready to learn! We are grateful to you for entrusting your children in our care and for your commitment to St. Mary School. Together, with God's help, we will support our students and enable them to become good disciples who will spread the Good News in words and actions!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Patricia Mancuso  
Principal



## Race for Education 2025

September 2, 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are writing to announce the “kick-off” of our exciting fundraising event at St. Mary School. The proceeds from this fundraiser will be used to directly benefit your child’s educational experience at our school and our Annual Fund.

On Tuesday, October 21, St. Mary School will be having its 13th Annual “Race for Education.” The purpose will be to **raise funds for hands-on equipment for our science lab, facility upgrades and upkeep, classroom furniture, professional development for our teachers, updated textbooks, supplemental materials to enhance a variety of areas in our curriculum, and other essential educational needs in order to continue to provide a quality education for our students in a healthy and safe environment in our classrooms.**

Our school together will walk around a designated area on our school campus, along with special surprises, drawings, and dancing. Each student will raise funds by asking sponsors to contribute a tax deductible donation to St. Mary School.

**Our Race for Education is all on-line!** On **September 11TH**, parents/guardians will receive an email providing a link to your child’s web based donation page. The next step will be to share your donation page via Facebook, twitter and social media. Also use the email and text link included in the email invite and reach out to as many family and St. Mary School friends requesting their support.

**YOUR participation is essential to the success of this program!**

**Our school’s goal is to raise \$40,000.** Last year we went over our goal and we hope to do even better this year. Monies raised last year were used for a number of school needs including: ***technology upgrades, textbook series upgrades, math textbooks, upgrade computer lab, Religion, history, reading and Phonics, and social studies books, science books and lab supplies, replace stools, art and music teaching supplies, and counselor sensory cart. Repairs completed: replace three air conditioner units, waterproof workshop room, roof stage/gym, replace bathroom partitions for the boy’s room, AC/Heat unit for offices, boiler repairs, and upgrade camera systems.***

***You can enable us to reach this goal by following the instructions on how to reach out to family and friends via email and social media. There will be ways for family and friends to also send in and/or mail donations as well. More information about prizes and ways to donate will come home in next week’s Communication Folder.***

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and support.

Sincerely,

Patricia Mancuso, Principal


Jackie Kern, Race Coordinator



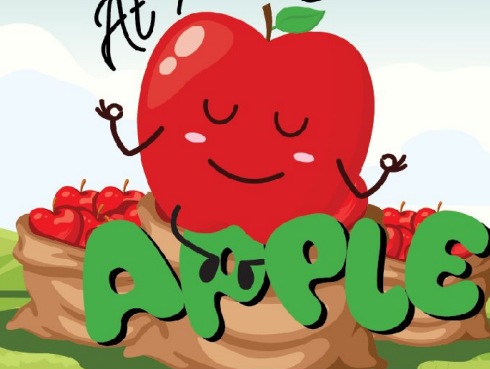
# Saint Mary School

## September 2025



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> <b>NO SCHOOL</b> <b>Labor Day</b> 	<b>2</b> <b>First Day of School</b> <b>Grades K-4 Only</b> <b>12:15</b> <b>Dismissal</b> <b>No</b> <b>Beforecare/Aftercare</b>	<b>3</b> <b>First Day of School</b> <b>Grades 5-8 Only</b> <b>12:15</b> <b>Dismissal</b> <b>No</b> <b>Beforecare/Aftercare</b>	<b>4</b> <b>All Students</b> <b>First Full Day</b> <b>of School</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> <b>Mass Schedule</b> <b>4:00 p.m.</b>
<b>7</b> <b>Mass Schedule</b> <b>7:45 a.m.</b> <b>9:30 a.m.</b> <b>11:30 a.m.</b> <b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>8</b> <b>Scrip Orders</b> <b>Due</b> <b>Band Demo 9:20</b> <b>in gym Gr.3-6</b>	<b>9</b> <b>Virtual Band Parent</b> <b>Meeting 6:30 pm</b>	<b>10</b> <b>Back to School</b> <b>Night Grades K-4</b> <b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <b>Room Parent</b> <b>Meeting 9:00</b> <b>Marian Hall</b>	<b>13</b> <b>Mass Schedule</b> <b>4:00 p.m.</b>
<b>14</b> <b>Mass Schedule</b> <b>7:45 a.m.</b> <b>9:30 a.m.</b> <b>11:30 a.m.</b> <b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>15</b> <b>Band</b> <b>Scrip Orders</b> <b>Due</b> <b>Performing Arts</b> <b>Parent Mtg. 4:00</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <b>Back to School</b> <b>Night Grades 5-8</b> <b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Mass Schedule</b> <b>4:00 p.m.</b>
<b>21</b> <b>Mass Schedule</b> <b>7:45 a.m.</b> <b>9:30 a.m.</b> <b>11:30 a.m.</b> <b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>22</b> <b>Band</b> <b>Scrip Orders</b> <b>Due</b> <b>STAR</b> <b>Assessment</b> <b>Week</b>	<b>23</b> <b>Science Explorers</b> <b>2:45-4:00 Science Lab</b>	<b>24</b> <b>School Choir</b> <b>2:45-4:00 Church</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> <b>Opening Mass &amp;</b> <b>Ministry</b> <b>Installation</b> <b>9:00</b>	<b>27</b> <b>Mass Schedule</b> <b>4:00 p.m.</b>
<b>28</b> <b>Mass Schedule</b> <b>7:45 a.m.</b> <b>9:30 a.m.</b> <b>11:30 a.m.</b> <b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>29</b> <b>Band</b> <b>Scrip Orders</b> <b>Due</b>	<b>30</b> <b>Science Explorers</b> <b>2:45-4:00 Science Lab</b>				

At Peace



Meet Your Nutritious Friend:  
At Peace Apple

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	2	3	4	5
Labor Day School Closed	Half Day No Lunch Served 12:15 Dismissal	Half Day No Lunch Served 12:15 Dismissal	Chicken Tenders w/ Buttered Noodles Hot Ham and Cheese on Pretzel Bun	Pizza Dippers w/ Dipping Sauce Chicken Patty on a Bun
			<b>Cucumber Coins</b> Green Beans 100% Apple Juice	<b>Veggie Patch</b> Side Salad Mixed Fruit
8	9	10	11	12
Grilled Cheese Chicken Nuggets with Roll	Beef Soft Tacos Nachos Grande with Tortilla Chips	Cowboy Burger on a Bun Taco Salad	Turkey Sub Chicken Tenders with Dinner Roll	Cheddar Cheese Flatbread Quesadilla (V) Pizzeria Pizza
<b>Baby Carrots w/ Ranch</b> Tomato Soup Applesauce Cup	<b>Celery Sticks</b> Refried Beans 100% Apple Juice	<b>Pepper Slices</b> Glazed Carrots Peach Cup	<b>Cucumber Coins</b> Curly Fries 100% Apple Juice	<b>Veggie Patch</b> Side Salad Mixed Fruit
15	16	17	18	19
Classic Sloppy Joe on Roll General Tso Chicken over Rice	Chicken Patty on a Bun Walking Taco with Fixings	Cheesesteak on a Roll Cheese Dog w/ Chili on the Side	Chicken Alfredo over Penne Pasta with Garlic Bread Crispy Chicken Salad	Smothered Pierogies Pizzeria Pizza
<b>Baby Carrots w/ Ranch</b> Steamed Broccoli Pear Cup	<b>Celery Sticks</b> Steamed Corn 100% Apple Juice	<b>Pepper Slices</b> French Fries Pear Cup	<b>Cucumber Coins</b> Steamed Broccoli 100% Apple Juice	<b>Veggie Patch</b> Side Salad Mixed Fruit
22	23	24	25	26
Cheeseburger on a Bun Orange Chicken over Rice	Chicken Quesadilla Chicken Caesar Salad or Wrap	French Toast Sticks with Sausage Links Bacon, Egg, and Cheese on a Bagel	Chicken Cheesesteak Freshly Made Mac & Cheese	Pizzeria Pizza Corn Dog
<b>Baby Carrots w/ Ranch</b> Mashed Potatoes Pear Cup	<b>Celery Sticks</b> Poppin Peas 100% Apple Juice	<b>Pepper Slices</b> Tri Patty Taters Mixed Fruit	<b>Cucumber Coins</b> Baked Beans 100% Apple Juice	<b>Veggie Patch</b> Side Salad Mixed Fruit
29	30	1	2	3
Chicken & Mashed Potato Bowl with Roll Hot Ham & Cheese on Pretzel Bun	Beef Tacos on Soft Tortillas Nachos Grande over Tortilla Chips	Egg & Cheese Waffle Flatbread Sandwich Mini Maple Pancakes with Sausage	Chicken Patty on a Bun Italian Dunkers w/ Sauce	Pizzeria Pizza Garden Salad w/ Cheese
<b>Baby Carrots w/ Ranch</b> Green Beans Baby Carrots	<b>Celery Sticks</b> Buttered Corn 100% Apple Juice	<b>Pepper Slices</b> Hash Brown Potato Strawberry Cup	<b>Cucumber Coins</b> Steamed Corn 100% Apple Juice	<b>Veggie Patch</b> Side Salad Mixed Fruit

### What is a Meal?

Students must choose at least 3 of the 5 components available for the school lunch price.

- Choice of Whole Grain
- Choice of Protein
- Choice of Vegetable
- Choice of Fruit
- Choice of Milk

A minimum ½ cup serving of fruit or vegetable must accompany a reimbursable lunch.

### Choice of Vegetable

Hot vegetable, leafy salad, composed bean salad, seasonal fresh vegetables

### Choice of Fruit

Seasonal fresh fruits, canned fruit in light syrup, 100% fruit juice

### Choice of Milk

1% white, chocolate, and strawberry

### Daily Alternates

Pizza Crunchers  
Chicken Nuggets w/ Goldfish

Cereal, Yogurt, and Cheese Stick  
Bagel, Yogurt, and Cheese Stick

### (V) Vegetarian

These items do not contain meat, poultry, or seafood, but may contain dairy and/or egg

### (VG) Vegan

These items do not contain any animal products

### Your Team

**Donna Daly, Food Service Manager**  
856-629-6419 ext.317  
[ma1572@metzcorp.com](mailto:ma1572@metzcorp.com)

### Meal Prices

Student Lunch \$3.40  
Reduced Lunch \$0.00  
Faculty Lunch \$4.10





**2025 St. Mary's Intramural K-1 Soccer**

<b><u>DAY</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9/9</b>	<b>5:15pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9/16</b>	<b>5:15 pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9/23</b>	<b>5:15pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9/30</b>	<b>5:15pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>10/7</b>	<b>5:15pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>10/14</b>	<b>5:15pm</b>

**K-1 St. Mary's Soccer Roster**

Hadley Guers (Coach)  
Sophia Anzelmi  
Mason Jereb  
Cyrus Sullivan  
Sebastian Maciszewski  
Chase Buete  
Victoria Helliwell

**K-1 St. Mary's Soccer Roster**

Jack Jagielski (Coach)  
Madelyn Yue  
Lucas Suarez  
Kai Johnson  
David Scales  
Penelope Meehan



**2025 St. Mary's Intramural 2-3 Soccer**

<b><u>DAY</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9/9</b>	<b>5:15pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9/16</b>	<b>5:15 pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9/23</b>	<b>5:15pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9/30</b>	<b>5:15pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>10/7</b>	<b>5:15pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>10/14</b>	<b>5:15pm</b>

**2-3 St. Mary's Soccer Roster**

Isabella Sottile (Coach)  
Dominic Sottile (Coach)  
Michael Lauletta  
Sophia Wisniewski  
Andrew Turchi  
Julian Pagano  
Luciana Croce

**2-3 St. Mary's Soccer Roster**

John Paul Janisse (Coach)  
Hunter Curiale (Asst. Coach)  
Maximilian Nkemneme  
John Thomas  
Diego Suarez  
Mateo Cristancho  
Maximilian Maciszewski



Dear Parents/Guardians:

We need two Room Parent volunteers for your child's classroom. Below are a few responsibilities during the school year:

- Create baskets
- Assist the teacher with classroom celebrations
- Ask parents to donate items to the classroom celebrations

If you feel that you are able to perform these responsibilities and are interested in volunteering as a Room Parent, please complete the following form and return it to your child's teacher no later than **Thursday, September 4, 2025**. If you are chosen to be a Room Parent, you will be contacted by the Room Parent Coordinator.

As per Diocesan policy, all volunteers must be fingerprinted and Virtus trained. If you have not been fingerprinted or have not attended a Virtus training, please email Mrs. Morales at [mainoffice2@smarys.org](mailto:mainoffice2@smarys.org).

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## ROOM PARENT FORM

I am interested in volunteering as Room Parent:  
**(please print)**

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

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ A B

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I have not previously served as a Room Parent

\_\_\_\_\_ I have previously served as a Room Parent

Please list the grades you served as a Room Parent: \_\_\_\_\_



## LUNCH PARENTS NEEDED

St. Mary School lunch program needs your help to supervise the children and clean the tables during lunch. If you can assist between 11:15 am and 1:00 pm, please fill out the form below and send it to school as soon as possible.

To be a volunteer, you will need to go through a criminal history background check and Virtus training (protecting God's children program) as per diocesan policy. If you do not have your background check or training, we will send home the paperwork. St. Mary School will reimburse the cost of the criminal history background check. If you have any questions about the background check or training, please email Mrs. Morales at [mainoffice2@smarys.org](mailto:mainoffice2@smarys.org).

Thank you!

Mrs. Mancuso

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## LUNCH VOLUNTEER

Volunteer Name \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ A B

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

I am available on the following days: (circle all that apply)

Monday    Tuesday    Wednesday    Thursday    Friday

Please check if you are:    \_\_\_\_\_ Virtus Trained    \_\_\_\_\_ Fingerprinted

# Back to School Night

September 2, 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Back to School Night for Grades K-4 will be held on Wednesday, September 10, 2025 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Enter through Assumption Hall doors and you will be directed to your child's classroom. Please go to your oldest child's classroom first. There will be more than one session offered so you will have the opportunity to see the teachers of all of your children. The Assumption Hall Doors will open at 6:10 pm. **This night is for parents only.**

PTA will sell NUT Cards for \$10.00 each (Only 2 per child allowed) and collect PTA dues \$20.00 per family. They will also have a uniform exchange.

Your attendance at Back to School Night is strongly encouraged. It is here that you will receive information about the upcoming school year and is also a great opportunity to meet your child's new teacher as well as to review classroom policies and expectations.

Thank you,  
Mrs. Mancuso

PLEASE JOIN US FOR  
ST. MARY SCHOOL ATHLETICS

# DESIGNER BAG

# B I N G O

*Friday October 3, 2025*

**6:00PM TO 8:00PM**  
Assumption Hall  
32A Carroll Ave. Williamstown, NJ

**TICKETS \$35**

Ticket Includes:  
• 10 Bingo Cards

BYOB Ages 21+  
Bring Your Own Dabbers

Bag Sponsors Wanted! More Info To Follow. Family Names/Company Names will appear in New Signage on School Soccer Field and in Assumption Hall!

**DOOR PRIZES,  
RAFFLES AND MORE!**

*All Proceeds Go Toward Our Athletics Programs. Questions or to Purchase Tickets, Please Contact Sharon Quigley 609-634-6201*

\*\*\*Detach and Send in with payment to the Main Office\*\*



Name:

Phone Number:

Number of Tickets for Bingo:

Total Amount Due:



**St Mary School Designer Bag Bingo  
is Right Around the Corner!  
Sponsorships are Filling Up Fast.  
Don't Miss Out!**

**Grand Prize Sponsor (Louis Vuitton Purse Raffle):** \$2000.00 Receive 4 Free Tickets for the event, 5 Grand Prize Raffle Tickets, 2 Drink Tickets, 2 Food Item Tickets, 15 Basket Raffle Tickets, and 3 weeks of email blasts of your company (if applicable) or thanking your family in the parish email blast, Name on two New Banners to Hang on Field Fence/In Gym.

**Event Sponsor:** \$1000.00 Receive 2 Free Tickets for the event, 5 Grand Prize Raffle Tickets, 2 Drink Tickets, 2 Food Item Tickets, 10 Basket Raffle Tickets, and 3 weeks of email blasts of your company (if applicable) or thanking your family in the parish email blast, Name on two New Banners to Hang on Field Fence/In Gym.

**One of Each Needed-**

**Registration Table Sponsor:**

**Volunteer Tee Shirts Sponsor:** \$500.00 Receive 1 Free Ticket for the event, 3 Grand Prize Raffle Tickets, 1 Drink Ticket, 1 Food Item Ticket, 10 Basket Raffle Tickets, and 3 weeks of email blasts of your company (if applicable) or thanking your family in the parish email blast, Name on two New Banners to Hang on Field Fence/In Gym.

**10 Sponsors Needed-**

**Designer Bag Sponsor:** \$400.00 Receive 1 Free Ticket for the event, 1 Grand Prize Raffle Ticket, 1 Drink Ticket, 1 Food Item Ticket, 8 Basket Raffle Tickets, and 3 weeks of email blasts of your company (if applicable) or thanking your family in the parish email blast, Name on two New Banners to Hang on Field Fence/In Gym.

**One of Each Needed-**

**Dessert Table Sponsor:**

**Raffle Basket Table Sponsor:**

**Coffee/Drinks Table Sponsor:** \$350.00 Receive 1 Free Ticket for the event, 1 Grand Prize Raffle Ticket, 1 Drink Ticket, 1 Food Item Ticket, 5 Basket Raffle Tickets, and 3 weeks of email blasts of your company (if applicable) or thanking your family in the parish email blast, Name on two New Banners to Hang on Field Fence/In Gym.

**Field/Gym Banner Sponsor:** \$100.00 Family Name or Company Name on two New Banners to Hang on Field Fence/In Gym.

**All Sponsors Will Have Their Names/Companies  
Featured on TV's During The Event**

Contact Sharon Quigley at 609-634-6201 for more information or to become a sponsor for St. Mary School Athletics!



**\*\*\*Detach and Send in with payment to the Main Office\*\***

Name:

Phone Number:

Sponsorship Interested In:



# PERFORMING ARTS REGISTRATION

St. Mary School will be offering the students in grades 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> the opportunity to participate in the SMS Performing Arts Club. The club will meet every Monday and Thursday from 2:45 pm to 4:30 pm under the direction of Ms. Erin Whittaker. We ask parents to be prompt in providing transportation at 4:30 pm. Miss Whittaker is in her 17<sup>th</sup> year of directing shows for St. Mary School and looks forward to this year's production.

The students will be introduced to many facets involved in dramatic productions. These will include diction, stage presence, dramatic readings, vocal developments, and choreography. The cost per member is \$65.00 for students in grades 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> and \$80.00 for students in grades 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>, which will cover the expense of staff and materials.

If interested, please complete the form below and return it with the registration fee to Melissa DiNunzio no later than **Friday, September 12, 2025.**

**The first practice for all grades will be held on Monday, September 15, 2024 from 2:45 pm until 4:30 pm with a parent meeting 4:00-4:30. Thursday, September 18<sup>th</sup> are auditions for the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students.**

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## Performing Arts Club Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ A B

Parent's e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ check \_\_\_\_\_ cash

Please check one: \_\_\_\_\_ Performing Arts \_\_\_\_\_ Stage Crew

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Jen H., earns for hockey

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St. Mary enrollment code: RR-FZJZ2HSAVX

Scrip Coordinator Annemarie Norton text/call 856-419-7400

50% of rebate to the school and 50% of rebate to you in the form of tuition credit, check in January and June, or donated back to school. Raise Right app on your phone-easily get digital gift cards or order physical gift cards. No fee for VISA Gift Cards.



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The eighth grade students will sell Philly Soft Pretzels every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday during the school year. Pretzels will be available to students in grades Kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup>. If you wish to place a pretzel order for your child, please complete the form below and send order form in an envelope marked Pretzel Order with payment no later than Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. Pretzel delivery will begin on Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>.

We will take orders for the entire year. You may order a pretzel for one day, two days, or all three days. One pretzel a week from September through June will cost **\$30.00**, two pretzels a week from September through June will cost **\$50.00**, and three pretzels a week from September through June will cost **\$70.00**.

Please note that gloves will be used for distribution of all pretzels by an adult. For the health and safety of our students a gloved adult will directly hand each child their pretzel.

Sincerely,

The Eighth Grade Class of 2026



### Pretzel Order

Please circle the day(s) you would like your child to receive their pretzel(s).

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ A B      Tues.    Wed.    Thur.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ A B      Tues.    Wed.    Thur.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ A B      Tues.    Wed.    Thur.

A payment of **\$30.00** for one pretzel a week for each student, or **\$50.00** for two pretzels a week for each student or **\$70.00** for three pretzels a week for each student.

**NUTRI-SERVE FOOD MANAGEMENT**  
**Saint Mary's School 25-26**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Can you believe we are already starting another school year? We at Nutri-Serve would like to thank you for participating in the lunch program last year. We participate you. We are looking forward to another year of providing your children nutritional lunches.

**ORDERING in the Classroom**

Students have a choice of five entrees each day. Refer to monthly menu.

\*Each lunch comes with the daily components to make a balanced meal. Each student can take a main meal, up to 3 fruit choices-[fruit cup, juice, whole fruit], 2 veggies choices-[fresh veggie, cooked veggie] and a milk. These sides are listed on the menu under the lunch choices.

We do have extra meals just in case a child forgets or changes their minds.

**Ala Carte**

Ala Carte items are available daily. Students will have an opportunity to purchase healthy snacks along with lunch orders. The updated snack list can be found on the school website.

**PAYMENT**

All snack, water and Extra Entrees are required to be purchase; they are not included in the Meal price. Parents can send cash/check in to be put on Students account for these purchases. Or if you prefer it can be done with cash at time of purchase.

\*Please note, Any additional change will not be given back to the child/children this year. It will go directly in his or her account.

**As of September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025, student lunches will be \$3.40. Prepayments can be sent in to purchase lunch and for any items not included in the lunch. Example: extra entrée, water bottle, snacks, etc. We will start serving lunch on Thursday September 4th. Please send your prepayments in on that date. Checks should be made out to St Mary's Cafeteria.**

**Lunches will be served in the cafeteria, and students will be able to**

**purchase snacks at lunch time if they have the funds to do so. Students are not allowed to charge snacks. Students must have funds available for snack purchases.**

We have received many phone calls from parents who would like to be able to **view their child's account online**. We still don't have online payments or access to parents viewing online transactions. It is not available currently. If and when we will definitely keep you posted.

Thank you all for your cooperation and assistance. Nutri-Serve Food Management is continually striving to make our child nutrition program the best. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me in the kitchen at 629-6190 ext. 317 or at [smw@nsfm.com](mailto:smw@nsfm.com).

Sincerely,  
Donna Daly  
Food Service Manager

**Nutri-Serve Food Management  
Food Service Department  
Saint Mary's School**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Nutri-Serve would like to inform you of our prepayment program. This program is to allow you to put money into your child's account. This payment option will speed up your child's service and enable you to monitor his or her purchases. Prepayments are available in the following increments:

**5 days for \$17.00    10 days for \$34.00    20 days for \$68.00**

**Please note the price of lunch is \$3.40**

Prepayments are put into your child's account. It is one account for both lunch and snack. **If you prefer your child to NOT purchase snack, please note this on the form below. Also, you can request to limit your child's snacks, by stressing how much your child can spend per day. This limit can be put directly on the account.**

**Any money given to Nutri-Serve by the students will be placed on their lunch account. No change will be given.**

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance. If you have any concerns, please contact the kitchen at 629-6190 ext. 317 or email at [smw@nsfm.com](mailto:smw@nsfm.com). Please make checks payable to St. Mary's School Cafeteria.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Room: \_\_\_\_\_

5 days \$17.00 \_\_\_\_\_ 10 days \$34.00 \_\_\_\_\_ 20 days \$68.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Please Make checks payable to St. Mary's School Cafeteria.

# Celebrate Your Child's Birthday!

Nutri-Serve Food Management would like to help serve a healthy snack for your child's birthday. You can purchase a "Birthday Treat" for your child and their classmates.

The Cafeteria will provide each student in your child's class with a birthday bag containing your choice of the following:

## Please Circle Your Snack Choice

1. Soft Pretzel for \$1.00 each
2. Ice Cream for \$2.00 each
3. Popcorn Bag for \$1.25 each

*All Items Meet with State of New Jersey Model Nutrition Requirements*

You have the opportunity to choose the birthday treat for your child's class. In addition, the birthday child will receive a "birthday surprise!" All snacks will be delivered to your child and classmates in the classroom during lunch.

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## **ORDER FORM**

**PLEASE RETURN TO THE CAFETERIA AT LEAST 48 HOURS BEFORE THE PARTY DATE.**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday Celebration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Students in **Class OR Grade** \_\_\_\_\_ x \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per child= \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT MUST BE INCLUDED WITH ORDER

Checks are made payable to St Mary's School Cafeteria

# SnackHealthy

In Moderation after a Balanced Lunch



## Snack Choices

## Prices

Soft Pretzel	\$ 1.00
Switch Drink	\$ 2.50
Cookies	\$ 0.85
Chipwich Ice Cream	\$ 2.25
Ice Cream	\$ 2.00
Baked Snacks	\$ 1.85
Doritos	\$ 1.50
Hot Cheetos	\$ 2.00
8oz Water	\$ 0.80
Rice Krispies Treat	\$ 1.50
Nacho's & Cheese	\$ 2.00
Churros Wednesday	\$ 2.00
French Fries	\$ 2.00



St Mary School

St. Mary School  
Students' Music Ministry (School Choir)  
2025-2026



Our Students' Music Ministry (School Choir) will be starting up again soon! This ministry is for students in **grades 2-8** who enjoy **singing and/or playing an instrument**. The students lead the music at all **school Masses**, on the **second Sunday of each month at the 9:30 am Mass**, and at special Masses on Christmas and Easter. Last year, we also sang for Our Lady of Peace Parish's Christmas program and for a Christmas parade at Coombs Barnyard in Elmer. We are looking forward to another year of singing God's praises!

Rehearsals are held **two Wednesdays a month from 2:45-4pm in the church**. Our first rehearsal for the new school year will be held on **Wednesday, September 24**. For more information and to sign up, please see the attached pages. **Returning students who participated last year do not need to fill out the form; they can simply attend the first rehearsal on September 24.**

St. Mary School Students' Music Ministry

## Sign-Up Form

To sign up for the Students' Music Ministry, fill out the form below and return it to your child's teacher or scan the QR code to the right to complete an online sign-up form.



If you have any questions, feel free to contact me either by phone at 856-629-6142 ext. 127, or by email at [jcendana@olopp.org](mailto:jcendana@olopp.org). I am also available after the 4 pm Saturday Mass and the 7:45 am and 11:30 am Sunday Masses here at Our Lady of Peace Parish.

May God bless you and your family in this new school year!

Sincerely,

Mr. Joachim Cendana, Director of Music & Worship

Mrs. Diane Kaston, Students' Music Ministry Assistant Director

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Student's Name and Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ My child would like to sign up for the Students' Music Ministry/School Choir for the 2025-2026 school year.

*My child is joining as a: singer            musician*

*If you circled "musician," please specify the instrument:*

\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address & Emergency Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

### **2025-2026 Mass Dates**

*Below is a list of the Masses that the Students' Music Ministry will be leading the music for.*

<b>School Masses (9am)</b>	<b>Parish Masses/Special Events (9:30am unless otherwise noted)</b>
September 26 (Opening Mass)	October 12 (28th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
November 26 (Thanksgiving)	November 9 (The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica)
December 19 (Advent)	<i>Friday, December 12 - Parish Christmas Program (7pm)</i>
January 26 (Catholic Schools Week)	December 14 (Third Sunday of Advent)
February 18 (Ash Wednesday)	Wednesday, December 24 (Christmas Eve - <b>time TBD</b> )
March 19	January 11 (The Baptism of the Lord)
April 23	February 8 (5th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
May 21	March 8 (3rd Sunday of Lent)
June 5 (8th grade baccalaureate Mass)	April 5 (Easter Sunday - 12pm)
	April 12 (Second Sunday of Easter)
	May 10 (Sixth Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day)
	June 14 (11th Sunday in Ordinary Time)





610-816-5047 \* ScienceExplorers.com

Club Tuition per Topic: \$115

3-Week Slime Squad tuition: \$99

There is an additional fee of \$10 if you register on or after start date.

Many schools do not allow registrations on the same day that a club starts so please register early.

Multi-Club Discount: (Clubs must be in one order)

Register for 3 or 4 clubs: 5% off the total.

Register for 5 or 6 clubs: 10% off the total.

Register for 7 or more clubs: 15% off the total.

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## St. Mary School

Tuesday Afternoons - 3:-00-4:00 - Grades 1-5

Pick-up Location: 8th grade doors

2025-26 School Year:

### Grossology Lab

September 23, 30, October 7, 14

### Freaky Physics

October 28, November 4, 11, 18

### Slime Squad (3-session club)

December 9, 16, January 6

### Hocus Pocus

January 20, 27, February 3, 10

### Art With a Twist

February 24, March 3, 10, 17

### Science Mash-Up

March 31, April 14, 21, 28

### Secret Agent Academy

May 5, 12, 19, 26

### Important Information:

**Please Register Early:** A minimum number of participants is needed one week prior to the start date in order to run a club. Class size is also limited and many clubs fill quickly. Registrations will only be confirmed via email. There will be a \$15 processing fee for all refunds given prior to the club start date. Refunds are not permitted once a session has begun. We are unable to pro-rate for any reason including registering after the start date.

**Late Fee Policy:** Parent is responsible for child's attendance and prompt pick-up. Late pick-ups are subject to additional fees of \$5 at 10 min. late and \$1 per min. after.

**Cancellations:** In the event of inclement weather or other emergencies, Science Explorers will follow your school's dismissal procedure. If a class is cancelled due to weather or other circumstances beyond our control, Science Explorers is unable to provide a refund; however we will make every effort to reschedule, add an extended session or offer a virtual option if possible. We are unable to issue a refund if your child cannot attend a make-up date.

**Want to get in on the fun?** Many clubs use parent helpers to assist each week in exchange for FREE club tuition. If you are interested and have all of the background checks required by your school, please email us at : parenthelper@scienceexplorers.com (Please make sure you are available to help for each of the dates in any given club topic. Thank you!)

By registering your child you grant permission and release Science Explorers and its affiliates from any and all liability relating to or arising from Science Explorers after-school club program.

**REGISTER ONLINE AT: [ScienceExplorers.com](http://ScienceExplorers.com)**



# SCIENCE EXPLORERS



## Grossology Lab

Ever wondered if mucus is secretly part of your daily diet? Do you know where in your body you're making a cement-like substance? What happens to your cells when you sweat? Find out the wacky science going on inside all of us! We'll make our own mucus-like green slime, create body spray to keep us smelling good, make an explosion of gas bubbles, mix up noisy putty, and use chemistry to show how to neutralize stomach acids. We like to call it a "cool kind of gross"!

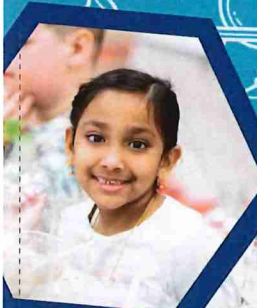


## Freaky Physics

Get ready to freak out with physics as you examine forces, see how physics and engineering are related as you compete in a tower building challenge, create a circuit to power a cool motorized "bristle-bot", and explore the marvels of magnetism.

## Slime Squad

Welcome to Slime Squad—where the fun never stops! Get ready to squish, stretch, and glow with the coolest, gooiest creations around. Sink your hands into the moldable magic of sand slime, watch your masterpieces light up the dark with luminescent slime, and blow epic bubbles with bouncy soft bubble gum slime (just don't actually chew it!). Whether you're here to experiment, create, or just make a glorious mess, our club is the ultimate slime-lover's paradise.



## Hocus Pocus

Amaze and astound your friends with some awesome science magic! Master the art of illusion and discover the scientific secrets behind these tricks. Use your newfound skills to make an egg sink or float on command, make water disappear, and shock your family and friends when you cut a hole in a piece of copy paper big enough to walk through.

## Art With A Twist

Join us for an exciting blend of creativity and discovery! In this club, we'll combine the world of art with the wonders of science. From brushes to circuits to nature, you'll explore innovative ways to create art. Build your very own spin art machine, experiment with fizzing paint, craft vibrant masterpieces using natural pigments, and trick your brain with unbelievable optical illusions. Whether you're a budding artist or a future scientist, this club has something for everyone!



## Science Mash-Up

Get ready for a thrilling mix of science, creativity, and mind-blowing discoveries! Each week, we'll dive into a new world of fun—stretch and squish buttery soft slime, explore the forces of physics (can we defy gravity?), uncover the weird world of mysterious microbes, and design a mechanical oscilloscope to project mesmerizing light patterns with your voice. Whether you love to create, experiment, or just be amazed, there's something exciting waiting for you every week!

## Secret Agent Academy

Dive into the world of espionage, decoding secret messages, testing spy gadgets and revealing invisible messages! You'll master the art of communication using a special code breaker to decode and create messages just like real-life spies. Plus, make a device to spy on your surroundings undetected. Get ready for a thrilling, hands-on adventure in the world of science and secrecy!



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# Champion Coach Note

Forming Champion Coaches Since 2006

Volume 25, Issue 1 | September 2, 2025

## Kicking Off the 2025-2026 Year

Welcome to a new school year and the beginning of another fall sports season! The 2025-2026 year marks a milestone for our *Play Like a Champion* community, as we celebrate **20 years** of elevating the culture of youth sports in organizations, leagues, schools, and teams across North America. None of this would be possible without you, our incredible partners. The coming year promises a myriad of exciting developments in both *Play Like a Champion* and our partner organizations; we can't wait to experience everything alongside you!



Whether you have been a partner since the beginning or are new to our family, these *2025-2026 Champion Coach Notes* promise to offer you the tools, education and strategies you need to perform as coaches, parents, athletes and administrators.

Every Tuesday *Play Like a Champion* will send partners a **Weekly Champion Note** via email. This serves as an important way to reinforce and expand upon one aspect of our "Champion" philosophy each week. The purpose of these emails is to address important topics and keep the philosophy fresh and top of mind with the coaches, parents and athletes in your school or league. This year, we'll cover a range of topics that can help you develop well-rounded athletes, promote positive behavior, and more! Emails on the first and third Tuesday of each month will focus on **coaching**, the second Tuesday will be focused on sports **parents**, and the fourth Tuesday will be a note for **athletes**. Some months even feature a bonus 5th note. Notes are published between Labor Day and early May, with a short break over Christmas.

So what should you do with these weekly emails?

**Forward these notes each week** to your coaches, parents and athletes as a way to regularly promote the *Play Like a Champion* approach in your community and keep the lessons learned in the initial training coming along with new and useful information for coaches, parents and athletes. You can do this through direct email\*\* or you can request a PDF of the note to forward. Email [information@playlikeachampion.org](mailto:information@playlikeachampion.org) to request the PDF version be sent to you each week [those of you already on this list will continue to receive the PDF each week as you have in the past]. **Champion Tip:** When forwarding *Notes*, several Directors will also provide a comment on how the note specifically relates to your school or sports community. This is a great way to

provide consistent communication and connection across your programs.

**\*\*Note for Direct Emails: Before you forward the email, *delete the bottom section that states Unsubscribe*. If this appears in a forwarded email, those you forward the email to can actually unsubscribe you from this list by selecting this link (as it's your email attached to the forward). This would stop you from getting the email, and nobody wants that!**

*Therefore, if any one is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away, behold, the new has come. ~ 2 Corinthians 5:17*

## Your Coaching as Ministry Game Plan!



When you attended your first *Play Like a Champion* Coach Clinic, you were invited to complete a "Coaching as Ministry Game Plan." Reviewing the past year and creating a renewed plan is the perfect way to start the new season! Click below to download and print the plan, then spend some time reflecting and developing your plan for the new year. Pay particular attention to the second question: "How will you commit to be a 'Coach Minister' this season."

[Download the Coaching as Ministry Game Plan](#)

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## A Prayer for the Season Ahead

Jesus, we thank you for bringing us together as a team in this new season. We pray that during all our practices and games this year that we can put you first and remember you in all that we do. Help us to be safe and to have fun this year. We ask this as we pray together the Glory Be prayer: *Glory Be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, a world without end. Amen.*



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**Play Like a Champion Today Educational Series**

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# **Back to School & On the Courts... It's Time for Williamstown's Fall Tennis Program!**



**14<sup>th</sup> Successful Year! Train With & Learn From the BEST**

**MITCH WINKLER, Coach**

Premier SJ/Phila Professional Coach  
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Phila Inquirer HS Coach of the Year  
Haddonfield HS Developmental Coach  
Only SJ Girls Coach to Win Sectional  
Championships at 2 Different Schools

**BRITTANY REEDMAN, Founder**

#1 Singles Player The College of NJ  
NJAC Rookie of the Year  
ITA Northeast Regional Finalist  
4 Year WHS #1 Singles Player  
SJ Times Tennis Player of Year  
Winner SJ Times GC Tournament

**And Our Wonderful Assistant Coaches!**

**7 Consecutive Saturdays Starting September 6<sup>th</sup>, \$105**

Elementary School 3:15 - 4:15, Middle School 4:15 - 5:15, High School 5:15 - 6:15

Times/Grades/Groupings Tentative and Subject to Change Based on Final Enrollment

**Sessions Held at Williamstown Middle School Courts. Space is Limited so Act Fast!**



**FOLLOWED BY 3 INDOOR WINTER TENNIS PROGRAMS  
WEDNESDAYS AT ST. MATTHEW'S RECREATION CENTER**

Winter I: 6 Weeks 11/12, Winter II: 5 Weeks 1/7, Winter III: 6 Weeks 2/11

Tentative Start Times: High School 4pm, Middle School 5pm, Elementary School 6pm



**Payment Methods:** 1. **Venmo Business** Mitch Winkler Tennis (@MWTennis)

2. **Zelle** Connie Reedman, 215-429-5170

3. **Check Payable/Mailed** to Connie Reedman, 1400 Woodland Ct, Williamstown, 08094

**New Player Registration:** Please Provide Info Below via Payment Notes, Mail, or Email TennisAce926@comcast.net

**Any Questions:** TennisAce926@comcast.net, 856/307-1230

Player Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Tennis Experience \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_