



# ST. MARY SCHOOL

## FAMILY NOTES

August 20, 2018 [www.st-maryschool.com](http://www.st-maryschool.com)

**Children's Mass on Thur., Aug. 23, at 9:00 a.m. Our 6th graders will be commissioned as leaders of our school at this Mass. Please join us.**

**Students dropped off before 8:05 must go to Before Care.** Remember that you can use both alleys to drop off in the morning. Kids need to be ready to get out! Let's keep those lines moving.!

### **St. Mary's Fiesta Sept. 14, 15, and 16**

Monsignor has asked that all school families work a shift or donate in some way to the success of the Fiesta. Sign up sheets will be available soon!

**Babysitting** for school age children will be provided free of charge during the Booster Club meeting. Some of our Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group members will be in the gym to supervise while the meeting is held in the cafeteria.

### **P.M. Pick Ups**

Remind anyone picking up for you that they **must** go through the line to pick up children. We will not allow people to pull students out of line to get into a parked car. The car line is the safest way to dismiss.

### **First mandatory Booster Club Meeting & Parent Orientation Night: Monday, August 27, 2018**



**Parent Orientation**, a chance to visit your child's classroom and hear from the teacher, will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the school. Parents

will attend 15-minute sessions in each of their children's classrooms. Teachers will present information on classroom rules, curriculum, and other items of interest. The teachers will repeat the session 3 times (at 6:00, 6:15, and 6:30) so that families with more than one child can visit all the appropriate classrooms. If you have only one room to visit, I suggest attending the 6:30 session, then moving directly to the **Booster Club** meeting at 7:00 in the cafeteria. If you have 2 rooms to visit, start at 6:15 and so on. (Four kids? You'll have to divide and conquer!)

At the 6:30 session, Mrs. Harrison will be in the library giving information on the changes in our sacramental program. If you have questions about First Communion or Confirmation, stop by and see her.

### **Scrip order going out Wednesday**

Parents, friends and family members can order a huge variety of gift cards through St. Mary's Scrip Program. Purchase gift cards from scads of stores & the school gets a cut!

Scrip negotiates deals with merchants for rebates to non-profit organizations. The rebates change, so it's a great idea to check what merchants are participating (over 700 to choose from!) and what percentage they give back. For example, Old Navy is currently giving a 14% rebate. If you purchase a \$100 Old Navy gift card through Scrip, you get \$100 for shopping and St. Mary's gets \$14 from Scrip. Win-Win!

You can check out the participating merchants, what rebates we get, and what denominations of cards are available at: [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com) Under "Learn More" click on "Our Retailers." You can also shop from the local list which is attached. Just send a list of what you want and payment for the value of the cards.

Red Lobster is currently giving 11%. Red Robin is doing 10% right now. Hotels.com is 9%. We'll get free shipping if we have \$150 total in Domino's cards.

### **Make checks payable to St. Mary School.**

The cards are delivered to the school in about a week. We'll send them home backpack mail.

Scrip is an optional fundraiser that brings in over \$1000 a year. We'd love to see participation grow!

### SCHOOL FORMS

Make sure you turn in all of the required forms from the packet handed out on Day 1. The handbook is on the website under Principal's Page.

**Remember:**

- **Kindergarteners need eye, dental & physical exams on file at school**
- **2nd graders need dental exams on file at school.**
- **6th graders need a physical and dental exam on file.**
- **Make sure you've *signed* the physical form.**
- **Many of you signed the opt out for pictures that identify your child for newspaper articles, and posts on our school Facebook page. Your child will still be in pictures—just not identified by name.**

### Before/After Care

Fill out Before &/or After Care registration forms if your child will attend either program even if they will only attend occasionally. The forms give supervisors information needed in emergencies. Supervisors do not have access to the files in the school office, so the contact numbers and medical information you supply them are a necessity.

You may pay for these programs daily or monthly. Mrs. Chance handles billing. Please send payments to the school office.

### Protecting God's Children

This program, required for all new volunteers, will be presented at St. Mary's on Wed., Aug. 29, at 6:00 in the school library. Call or send a message to school if you will attend. Completing this program is mandatory for anyone volunteering in our school, whether alone or as an assistant. Protecting God's Children educates adults about signs exhibited by abused children & concludes with completion of documents needed for a background check. All schools require criminal background checks for their volunteers. If you completed the program in a previous year, you don't need to attend again.

### SCHOOL DIRECTORY

The School Directory will be out soon. Notify us of any changes in address or phone number.

### Medications at School

St. Mary School personnel will keep and/or dispense any type of medication to children only when the appropriate form, signed by a doctor, is on file in our office. Parents, or a person designated by a parent, may come to the school to give medication to a child as needed.

### Lunch Schedule

K—1	11:15 to 12:00
2, 3, & 4	11:45 to 12:30
5 & 6	12:15 to 1:00

Student lunches are \$2.80.

Extra milk is \$.30

If you plan to join your child for lunch, send a note or call before 9:00 a.m. so that a meal will be prepared for you. Cost of adult lunch is \$3.50. You may bring a lunch from home, but restaurant food is not allowed in accordance with our lunch program agree-



### Coming Events...

- \*Scrip Orders due—Aug. 22 by 3:00 p.m.
- \*Children's Mass—Thurs., Aug. 23, 9:00—Gr. 6 leads
- \*Parent Orientation—Mon., Aug. 27, 6:00—6:45
- \*Booster Club Meeting—Mon., Aug. 27, 7:00 in cafeteria
- \*Protecting God's Children—Aug., 29, 6:00 in school library
- \*Children's Mass—Thurs., Aug. 30, 9:00—Gr. 5 leads
- \*Baptism Class—Thurs., Aug. 30, 7:00 in parish office
- \*Labor Day—No School—Sept. 3
- \*4 Year Old Preschool begins—Sept. 4
- \*3 Year Old Preschool begins—Sept. 5
- \*St. Mary's Night at Florinda's—Sept. 5
- \*Children's Mass—Thurs. Sept. 6, 9:00—Gr. 4 leads
- \*Blessed Virgin Mary's B'day—Fri., Sept. 7— food collection
- \*PSR begins—Sunday, Sept. 9
- \*All School Sing—Sun., Sept. 9, 11:00 Mass
- \*Children's Mass—Thurs., Sept. 13—Gr. 3 leads
- \*Board of Education Meeting - Thurs., Sept. 13, 6:00 in library
- \*11:30 dismissal—Friday, Sept. 14—Faculty Retreat
- \*St. Mary's Fiesta—Sept. 14-16!