



# ST. MARY SCHOOL

## FAMILY NOTES

October 16, 2017

**Mission Carnival - 11 Days!**  
**October 27**  
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### Morning Drop Off

Thank you for making drop off easy while the sidewalk was being repaired.

To keep things flowing smoothly for us and for our neighbors I must ask that you don't park in the alleys waiting for the doors to open. The goal is to have one line moving through the alley. If you arrive early and wait for the doors to open, please park in the street till the doors open then pull through. And please never pass a car in the alley. You don't know when a child may decide to hop out! To keep things moving, make sure the kids have everything ready to go when you turn into the alley.

### Attention Bus Riders!!!!!!

Last year, we learned the hard way that bus riders are no longer allowed to have guests ride the bus with them. Only students whose families qualify and have filled out the bus transportation form are allowed to ride. Filling out a transportation form is not an option for a guest rider.

**Report Cards** for Gr. 1-6 will go home Thursday, Oct. 26. Please sign & return the cards as soon as possible. Kindergarteners receive report cards in January and May only.

**No Bus Service on  
 October 26 & 27  
 as public schools  
 are not in session.**

### Children's Masses

Tues., Oct. 17, Gr. 6 will travel to Taylorville Care for Mass at 10:30.

Thurs., Oct. 19, 9:00, Gr. 4 will serve in the various ministries. Please join us!

A **Scrip** order will go out on Tuesday, Oct. 24. So far this year Scrip has earned \$117.25 for the school without costing the participants any extra! Order a gift card for stores where you routinely shop. If I order a \$100 Kohl's card, I pay \$100 for it & get full value when I shop. The school gets a 4% rebate. Some rebates are as much as 13%. The list of retailers can be found at [www.ShopWithScrip.com](http://www.ShopWithScrip.com). I've also attached a 'short form' order with merchants in our area. Send your order & make payment to the school.

### Coming Events...

- \*Donuts for Dads—Thurs., Oct. 19, cafeteria before school
- \*9:00 Mass led by Gr. 4—Thurs., Oct. 19
- \*Jeans Day for Students—Fri., Oct. 20
- \*Golf Ball Drop—Friday, Oct. 20, 5:00 Lake Shore Golf Course
- \*Scrip Order Due—Tuesday, Oct. 24
- \*9:00 Mass led by Gr. 3—Thurs., Oct. 26
- \*Report Cards go home, Gr. 1-6—Thurs., Oct. 26
- \*No Preschool—Fri., Oct. 27
- \***MISSION CARNIVAL**—Fri., Oct. 27
- \*Last day for shorts & skorts—Tues., Oct. 31
- \*All Saints Day 9:00 Mass led by Gr. 6—Wed., Nov. 1
- \*St. Mary's Night at Florinda's—Wed., Nov. 1
- \*Board of Ed. Meeting, 6:00 p.m.—Thurs., Nov. 2
- \*All School Sing—Sun., Nov. 5, at 11:00 Mass

### Golf Ball Drop

Golf balls are still selling! If you haven't sold 10 yet, please don't give up!

Light hors d'oeuvres will be served and a cash bar will open at 5:00. All are welcome, but you don't need to be present to win! Harrison & Robertson will fly over and drop the golf balls at 5:45.

Sign up for the Par 3 50/50 challenge that evening! Closest to the hole wins half the pot!



### MISSION CARNIVAL

Mission Carnival will be held this year on Fri., Oct. 27. Students have the opportunity to participate in many Halloween activities including a parade and carnival. All profits from this day are given to the Missionary Childhood Association.

If you haven't already done so, please return the form telling us if you are able to help on Friday. The office will accept donations for ink and photo paper for the picture booth.



**MUSCLES NEEDED:** On Thursday, Oct. 26, beginning at 10:00 a.m, help will be needed to move equipment to the gym for the carnival. Let us know if you can help.

### Mission Carnival Costume Parade

Please be here at 11:45 if you are helping your child dress. Parade time is 12:15.

### PUMPKIN CONTEST

Students may drop off decorated pumpkin in the hall outside the cafeteria before school on Fri., Oct. 27. Check in to get a number. Winners will be announced at the end of the carnival. Cost to participate is 50 cents. Participation is optional.



### Lunch on October 27

**Thursday, Oct. 26, is the deadline** to order & pay for lunch on Mission Carnival Friday. If you & any family members plan to have lunch with your child on Friday, Oct. 27, please make the arrangements by 3:00 on Thurs., Oct. 26.

**Children's lunches are \$2.80**

**Adults' lunches are \$3.50**

### MISSION CARNIVAL LUNCH TIMES

**Please Note October 27**

Grades K—2 - 10:45 to 11:30

Grades 3 - 6 - 11:15 to 12:00



Halloween socks & tights may be worn with uniforms through Oct. 31.

Last day for shorts & skorts is Oct. 31.



### Tickets for Mission Carnival

Raffle tickets and carnival tickets go on sale next week in the classrooms. All tickets are 25 cents. Several amazing prizes are just waiting for a lucky raffle winner.

Buying carnival tickets in advance is the best bet. If you wait to purchase tickets at the carnival, you could spend a great deal of time waiting in line.

Children may purchase tickets for carnival games at school all next week. Teachers will hold the tickets till carnival time. Raffle chances are on sale each morning before school next week through Thursday and will be sold at the carnival on Friday. Please make sure any money sent to school is clearly marked. We will be handling raffle money, ticket money, & lunch money just to name a few.

### HALLOWEEN COSTUMES

Please avoid costumes that look violent, excessively gory, or disgusting. Keep in mind that our celebration is taking place at a Catholic school. We appreciate your cooperation. The costume judging categories are: funniest, most original, religious, ugliest, group, and prettiest.

**Mission Carnival Day, Oct. 27,** is a free non-uniform day. Costumes are donned at 11:45. Many students wear the basics of the costume to school - a t-shirt, skirt, leggings, etc. Please make sure your child is dressed modestly, appropriately for the weather, and safely - gym shoes are required, but may be changed if different shoes are needed for the Halloween costume. Shorts must be to the fingertips.



### Conference Tip # 3: Review your child's grades.

*Overall grades are important, but individual test and quiz scores offer clues to your child's*

*trouble spots.* (Example: Good scores on tests, but zeroes for homework indicate that a child struggles with organization, not the material taught.)