

St. Mary Parent Newsletter

Dear Parents,

This month we are asked to trust in the Lord with our whole hearts. For most of us, this is a lot easier said than done. We are sometimes we get so overwhelmed that we even forget that the Lord is right there with us to help us get through.

Setting some time apart from our busy schedules to spend with the Lord is so important. All it takes is just 5 minutes a day. You'll be amazed at the difference it will make in your day. Try it, you'll like it!

Have a great month of October! Thank you for believing in us! Sr. Liz

Important Calendar Change...No School on November 5th

- Due to a last minute calendar change in the diocese, the teachers will be attending a mandatory in-Service day on November 5th.
- There will be no school for any of the catholic grammar schools in Paterson and Passaic.
- My apologies for any inconvenience this change causes you.

Important Reminders

- **Please be considerate....**Student Drop-off and Student Pick-up are crucial times during the school day. We can not block our neighbor's drive way! As much as possible, do not park your car and leave it, especially if you are blocking a drive way.
- **Do not** block or park in the school drive way!
- **All late students** must enter the building by way of the cafeteria door. Do not ring the front door bell.
- **After School Care Parents...** If you're running late... please call the After School Care at: 973-956-9761.
- **Please call the office** when your son or daughter is absent from school. Please don't wait till the last minute to request homework.
- **Send to the office** the Parent/Student Handbook Agreement, the Photo Permission, the Internet Policy Agreement.
- **Students** should be in complete and proper uniform at all times.
- **Parents are not allowed** in the classrooms during the day. If you need to see the teacher, please set up an appointment through the office.
- **Call the office** if you are taking your son/daughter out of school earlier so students will be ready to leave right away.

October

15
Christmas Sale ends

17
School Liturgy 8:45 AM

22
Teacher In-Service Day
No school

25
Students to phoenix Center

31
Halloween

November

1
All Saints Day: School Liturgy 8:45

Thanksgiving Food Drive Begins

2
12:30 dismissal: ASC Provided

5
Teacher In-Service day
No School

Cake and Pie Sale Begins
9
8th Grade COOP Exam

13
Picture Day

14
Report Cards
3:15-6:00 PM

16
Last Day for Food Drive

20
Students to Phoenix Center

21
12:30 Dismissal
Thanksgiving Break

22
Happy Thanksgiving!
No School

23
No School

26
Classes Resume

October Activity schedule

October 9-12	Activity	Grade	Time
9	Scrabble	4-8	2:45-3:45
10	Service Club	4-8	2:45-3:45
11	Choir	3-8	2:45-3:45
12	Classic Club	5-8	2:45-3:45
October 15-19	Activity	Grade	Time
15	Chess Club	5-8	2:45-3:45
15	Astro Club	5-6	2:45-3:45
16	Tutoring Club	8	2:45-3:45
16	Scrabble	4-8	2:45-3:45
17	Service Club	4-8	2:45-3:45
18	Choir	3-8	2:45-3:45
19	Classic Club	5-8	2:45-3:45
October 23-26	Activity	Grade	Time
22	Chess Club	1-4	2:45-3:45
22	Astro Club	5-6	2:45-3:45
23	Tutoring Club	8	2:45-3:45
23	Scrabble	4-8	2:45-3:45
24	Service Club	4-8	2:45-3:45
26	Classic Club	5-8	2:45-3:45
Oct. 29- Nov. 1	Activity	Grade	Time
29	Chess Club	1-4	2:45-3:45
29	Astro Club	5-6	2:45-3:45
30	Tutoring Club	8	2:45-3:45
30	Scrabble	4-8	2:45-3:45
31	Service Club	4-8	2:45-3:45
Nov.1	Choir	3-8	2:45-3:45

St. Mary School Pastoral Theme for 2007-2008:

God's Special Agents in the World

Theme for October: Trust

Song for the Month: I Trust with My Life

Person of the Month: Moses

Congratulations to the September Students of the Month

Tyler Kotkin	8
Jennifer Soriano	7
Alexander Alcalde	6
Cathy Read	5
Mariely Polanco	4
Isaac Flores	3
Milagros Osis	2
Joseph Montanez	1
Brianna Baboolal	K
Justin Reyes	Prek-4
Lorraine Cubas	Prek-3

Costume Contest Levels and Categories

Levels:

Prek-3- K,
Gr. 1-3,
Gr. 4-8

Categories for all levels:

Funniest, Most colorful, Most original, Prettiest, Scariest,
Cutest

Mission Day at St. Mary's

October 31st we will be celebrating Halloween and Mission Day. Here is the list of events:

Prek-3- 3rd Grade:

Students will wear costumes and participate in the Costume contest and Mission fair.

4th-8th Grade:

Students will pay \$1.00 to wear a Halloween Costume and participate in a costume contest. After lunch they will have a popcorn and movie afternoon. Juice will be served.

We are asking you to donate bags of candy to be used during the Mission Fair, and/or cupcakes, brownies or cookies to be sold at lunch time.

We thank our 8th Graders for preparing and running the Mission Fair games.

All proceeds will be sent to the missions for our yearly donation.

