



Father Adam Cesarek, Pastor
Karen Jones, Principal

REMINDERS

- **The school office will be closed on Thursday's from 8:15 am – 9:15 am.**
- We are still looking for parents/volunteers who are able to help with our lunch periods. Specifically, we are needing help on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays for the month of October. If you can only help one day or 5, we would like to invite you to help! Our lunch time is from 11:15am-12:45pm. Please email me if you are able to help. We appreciate your support!! Thank you to the parents and volunteers who are helping with lunch duty.
- 6th/7th/8th Grade Girls Basketball pictures are Oct. 22nd at 4:30.
- There will be no Halloween parties or costume parade this year for grades K-8 due to no school on the 29th.

STUDENT COUNCIL FALL GATHERING

On October 29, St. Mary's Student Council will be hosting a fall gathering for grades 5-8 from 6:30-8:30 on the school playground. The cost will be \$1.00 and an unexpired canned good for the Food Pantry. Extra donations are welcomed. The money raised from this event will go to Variety which is a non-profit organization that helps disabled children live their lives to their full potential. There will be a movie, along with snacks and drinks available for purchase. No masks are required because it is an outdoor event. If we need to go inside due to the weather, masks will be required, so please bring one. Please plan to attend this fall gathering provided by St. Mary's Student Council. We will give you more information next week.

RED RIBBON WEEK

Monday Oct 25- Theme "Look at me, I'm Drug Free"
Give out red ribbons for students to tie around their shoes for the whole week. The Student Council will provide the ribbons.

Tuesday Oct 26- Theme "Too Smart To Start"
Casual day wear a red shirt with uniform bottoms. No hoodies will be allowed. If you don't have a red or shirt, you must wear your uniform shirt. The Student Council will provide and hand out smarties at lunch time.

Wednesday Oct 27- Theme "Shake Out Drugs"
We will have a shake break during lunch for each grade level, and the Student Council will help hand them out.

Thursday Oct 28- Theme "Pray for a Holy and Drug Free School."
After mass the student council will lead a decade of the Rosary for all of those who are struggling and for the families who have had a loved one pass from drugs.

Friday Oct 29- No school

NEXT WEEK'S PREVIEW

October 24-30	
24	7th/8th Confirmation Retreat - 9:30 Mass at St. Mary's followed by retreat 11:00-3:00. All Confirmands MUST attend.
25	7 th /8 th Grade Girls Basketball @ Home 5:30 5 th Grade Girls Basketball @ Cornell 5:00
27	8 th Grade PSAT test at SMS Early Dismissal 1:30 PreK-8 P/T Conferences. NO PM BUS SERVICE.
28	Early Dismissal 1:30 PreK-8 P/T Conferences. NO PM BUS SERVICE.
29	NO SCHOOL P/T Conferences 5 th Grade Girls Basketball @ Odell 5:00 Fall Gathering for Grades 5-8. 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm.

SAVE THE DATE

- Nov. 7 – Confirmation
- Nov. 10 – Early Dismissal 11:30 PreK – 8 Professional Development with the Diocese.
- Nov. 12 – Progress Reports
- Nov. 12- Speech Contest 4pm-8pm
- Nov. 24-26 – NO SCHOOL PreK – 8 Thanksgiving Break

Greetings!

This past Monday, our students and staff participated in a Living Rosary. This was part of the Million Children Praying the Rosary Campaign. The idea for the campaign was born in 2005 in Caracas, the capital of Venezuela. While several children were praying the Rosary at a wayside shrine, some of the women present had a profound experience of the presence of the Virgin Mary. They immediately thought of Saint Padre Pio's promise: **"When one million children pray the rosary, the world will change."** And that is exactly what this is all about -- trusting in the power of children's prayer. Since then, hundreds of thousands of children have joined in this initiative from all over the world.

What a beautiful way to begin a new school week as each child, PreK-8th grade participated in our Living Rosary.

With prayers,

Mrs. Jones