



SMS Cougar News

Please access our school calendar on www.stmarys-school.org

November Calendar-Important Dates at a glance!

- November 11: Used Uniform Sale 9am-12noon
- November 13: Home and School Meeting 7pm in the Parish Hall
- November 15: 8:30am School Mass
- November 20: 6pm Mass with Bishop Noonan and Blessing of the Mary Statue
- November 21: 8:30am Thanksgiving Mass with Bishop Noonan
- Nov.22-Nov. 26: Thanksgiving break - Happy Turkey Day!
- November 27: School Advisory Board Meeting 6:30pm in school library
- November 29: 8:30am School Mass

HOME AND SCHOOL MEETING ON MONDAY, NOV. 13

All SMS families are invited to the 1st Home and School meeting on Nov 13 at 7pm in the Parish Hall. We will go over school information, including technology updates. Ericka Wojcik, our Healthy and Fresh Lunch program lady, will be here with cheese/vege/fruit trays and to answer any questions about the new lunch program. We will also have our drawings for the families who sold five or more discount cards. Childcare will be provided in the Early Childhood Center. Mark your calendars now!

Thanksgiving Food Drive for Helping Hands

The excitement fills the air as the students begin collecting canned and boxed non-perishable food items for our Helping Hands food pantry. SMS collects thousands of canned goods for Helping Hands to give to needy families at Thanksgiving and during the holidays. Please be generous as you always are so we can help our brothers and sisters who are in need. Right now, Mother Teresa Middle School team is leading with 117 cans! Let's see which class can top that this week!

Christmas Shoppe Coming in December!

Our 2017 Christmas Shop will be setup December 3rd and will be open December 4th through December 8th (7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. daily). The shop gives students an opportunity to purchase special gifts for their family and friends. In order for this event to be successful we need volunteers for setup, to work the shop during the week* and for cleanup. Thank you for your help as this is always a favorite of the students!! To signup please click the following link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b49a4aa2aa2f58-2017>

Additional information will be provided (as we get closer to the event) to both volunteers and to families who would like their children to participate (shop) at the Christmas Shop.

**You must be fingerprinted by the diocese (without cash handling restrictions) to work the shifts during the school week.

Rockledge/Cocoa Christmas Parade

St Mary School will again be participating in the Rockledge/Cocoa Christmas Parade which will be the evening of Sat. December 9th. All children who would like to participate in the parade must have their parent accompany them in the parade and help with float setup on Friday Dec 8th (starting at noon dismissal until complete). Similar to last year all adults walking in the parade will wear our St Mary School holiday shirt which can be purchased for \$10 ea. and students will dress up as angels and the Living Nativity (costumes provided). We won First place last year and are looking to bring home the trophy again!! If you are interested in participating please email Holly Apgar (hverderame@gmail.com) so we can plan accordingly. This is a great way to share the Good News and to continue getting our school's name out into the community.



Catholic Youth Sports Info for Grades K-8 Fall 2 Sports
MS Girls Basketball and Boys Soccer teams need to return clean uniforms to Coach Olson next week.

MS Girls and Boys Flag Football: Week of Nov. 13

Boys FF play Tues., Nov. 14 - against Asc at Ascension 4:30pm

Girls FF play Fri., Nov. 10 - against OLL at SMS 4:30pm

Thurs., Nov. 16 - against DMCA at SMS 5:00pm

Fri., Nov., 17 - against HNJ at SMS 4:30pm

Elementary School Soccer game schedule - Saturday, November 11

1st Grade vs. HNJ at St. Mary Game at 10:30am

3rd Grade vs. St. Joe at St. Mary Game at 12noon

REGISTRATION FOR K-5 CO-ED FLAG FOOTBALL AND MS GIRLS SOCCER AND MS BOYS BASKETBALL IS NOW OPEN!

- Grade School (co-ed K-5) Flag Football registration is now open. Coaches are needed for all grade levels. Contact Coach Olson if you are interested. Must be fingerprinted. Registration closed on 12/20 and season starts in January.
- MS Girls Soccer and MS Boys Basketball registrations are also open until 12/20. Season starts in January. There will be a MS Girls Soccer and MS Boys Basketball Orientation Clinic for all interested players on Wednesday after car line. (Grades 6-8)

We need a MS Boys JV Basketball Coach. Games start in January.

HOW TO REGISTER: Go online to docys.org On the home page, click on Brevard Region. There you will find the CYS calendar and more information about Brevard sports. Click on the orange button that says "Register Now" to register your child. Coaches will be given a 50% discount for his/her child to play.

K-5 UNIFORMS: Any K-5 athlete who has a CYS shirt and shorts that still fit will not need to purchase new ones for 17-18. New players and players who have outgrown their uniforms will need to purchase new ones when they register.

MIDDLE SCHOOL UNIFORMS ARE PROVIDED BY THE SCHOOL.

Coaches: If you are interested in coaching, please email Coach Olson golson@stmarys-school.org All coaches must have fingerprint clearance and view the concussion video online.

Have a blessed weekend!