

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER
JANUARY 23, 2020



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JANUARY

- 24 Catholic Schools Week Rally (school gym) 1:30
SPIRIT DAY: Students may be out of uniform to wear Viking attire or our school colors of green and white. Jeans are permitted.
- 26 Catholic Schools Week Sunday Mass - Students are to attend in uniform
- 28 First Reconciliation 6:00 p.m.
- 29 Spelling Bee Grades 5-8 (after Mass)
- 30 Dine to Donate - Cici's Pizza 4:00 - 8:00
- 31 *JERSEY DAY: Students may be out of uniform wearing their favorite team jersey.*

FEBRUARY

- 1 Men Who Cook Fundraiser
- 4 FIELD TRIP Grade 1 & 2 Shrek Players Guild 10:00 a.m.
- 6 Preschool Openhouse 5:30 - 7:30 (Preschool)
- 14 Classroom Valentine parties
- 17 NO SCHOOL - President's Day
- 19 Dine to Donate - Chipotle 5:00 - 9:00
- 20 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 26 Ash Wednesday

Calendar subject to change, as necessary

OUR ANNUAL MEN WHO COOK FUNDRAISER IS FAST APPROACHING!

- Tickets are still available, but going fast! Register online at smcanton.org or in the school office.
- If you are unable to attend, please consider supporting this event with a monetary donation that can also be made online or in the school office.
- RAFFLE BASKETS are also in the school office, valued at over \$500 each. Tickets can be purchased anytime before the event as well as that evening. Tickets are 5 for \$10 or 15 for \$20. Winner need not be present.

[MEN WHO COOK LIVE AUCTION CATALOG CAN BE VIEWED HERE!](#)



MILK ORDERS DUE

Second semester milk forms were due on January 17. Please fill out and return to school even if you will NOT be ordering a drink for your child at lunch. A form is also attached [HERE](#).

DINE TO DONATE

Thursday, January 30 from 4:00 - 8:00 at CICI'S PIZZA, 4404 Belden Village St. NW, Canton. Hosted by: Archangels in Action - Bake Sale, too! Flier attached [HERE!](#)

RECESS MONITOR NEEDED

We are in need of a recess monitor on Wednesdays and Fridays from 11:40 - 12:30. Please contact Nicole Finefrock at nicolefinefrock@hotmail.com if you are able to help out! Thank you!

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK SUNDAY

MASS ATTENDANCE
January 26 - 11:00 a.m.
Mass - SMS students are asked to attend in uniform. Student participation in greeting parishioners, choir, readings, and offertory.

PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

There will be a preschool open house on Thursday, February 6 from 5:30-7:30 in the preschool area (former Helman Center). Come see our new preschool center and get to know our preschool teachers and staff! All are welcome. There will be balloon animals and face-painting for your preschooler to enjoy. Call the school office 330-492-2657 to register! Flier attached [HERE](#).

COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS PROGRAM FOR JUNIOR HIGH

College Credit Plus - Our Stark County Catholic High Schools each offer a variety of ways for students to earn college credit. Both schools participate in the State of Ohio's College Credit Plus (CCP) Program, but they have their own unique partnerships that provide special opportunities for their students. Our families with students in 7th and 8th grade have been invited to learn more at their upcoming College Credit Plus Parent Forums. Feel free to join them on Thursday, January 16 at 6:30 pm at Walsh University, in the

Barrette Center. Walsh offers private courses exclusively for Central Catholic and St. Thomas Aquinas students, online courses, and the high school have college classes right on campus. On Tuesday, February 4 at 6:30 pm, they have a second forum at Stark State College in the Silk Auditorium. Stark State offers courses on their campus, online, and at our Stark County Catholic High Schools. Please join them and learn more about CCP opportunities! A flier is attached [HERE](#).

HOMEWORK CLUB SESSION #3

Session #3 of Homework Club will run January 21 - March 19. With the exception of January 20 and February 17 (NO SCHOOL), and February 20 (parent/teacher conferences), homework club is offered Monday - Thursday. Registration form is attached [HERE!](#) There is a two-day option and four-day option available to fit your child's schedule.

ARTWORK ON DISPLAY AT BAM

Be sure to stop by BAM Healthy Cuisine in the Nobles Pond Plaza to check out some of our 5th graders artwork on display! Thank you Mrs. Vannan!

TASTE OF KINDERGARTEN

St. Michael School is offering a Taste of Kindergarten event on Thursday, April 2 from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. for children entering kindergarten and their parents! Please see registration form [HERE!](#) Registration forms are to be turned into the office by March 23.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK EVENTS

A calendar of events for Catholic Schools week can be seen [HERE](#) beginning with Friday, January 24!

SMS OPEN HOUSE

There will be an open house on March 16, 2020 for new families interested in attending St. Michael School. Look for more information in the coming weeks.



Through the generosity and kindness of the Donahue Family Foundation, the Golden Apple Award has been established to honor outstanding teachers who devote their lives to teaching in Catholic schools. The Golden Apple Award will be given to a total of six teachers; four elementary teachers and two high school teachers and one principal. The award will consist of a cash award of \$5,000, a certificate, a Golden Apple paper weight, and a Golden Apple lapel pin, presented at a ceremony. The candidate must be a practicing Catholic, full time, and have completed three full years as a teacher or principal.

The applicant must be nominated according to the nomination process. Nominations for a teacher or principal may be made in one of the following ways: by a teacher; by any parent; by an elementary student along with his/her parent.

Teachers/Principals may only receive the award one time. The following teachers have already received the award: Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Dragomier, Mrs. Kristen Loader, and Ms. Gatti. Please see attached nomination form and return to Ms. Gatti by mid January.

Thank you for taking the time to nominate one of our well deserving teachers.

[NOMINATION FORM CAN BE FOUND HERE](#)

JACKSON GIRLS SOFTBALL LEAGUE REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Registration is now open for JGSL for girls in grades Kindergarten - college. Register online at www.jgsl.org. Registration ends March 1, 2020 at midnight and practices begin the week of April 1. Save \$10 by registering with early bird registration by February 2. Flier can be found [HERE](#).

RECRUITMENT DAY - FEBRUARY 15 INFORMATION FOUND [HERE](#)

EARN TUITION WHEN YOU SHOP WITH SCRIP

This easy to use program helps you save money on tuition by purchasing gift cards from places you already shop! For information, stop in the office for a packet or contact Stephanie Halas at shalas@youngstowndiocese.org.

Online orders for physical cards are placed every Friday and those cards are sent home by the following Wednesday. You can also utilize the MyScripWallet app (must be downloaded from SCRIP website) to get cards on the go! Also, www.shopwithscrip.com now accepts credit cards for payment (small fee applies).

In-house cards can be purchased anytime in the school office with a check or cash. These are the cards we have in stock -- all in varying dollar amounts: Giant Eagle, Marc's, Acme, Buehler's, Kohl's (phasing out), and now TARGET!

SAVE YOUR AMERIGAS PROPANE RECEIPTS

As you prepare for the holidays and seasonal tailgating, please submit your AmeriGas receipts to the school office. There is no minimum requirement.

AmeriGas Propane will give our school up to \$2,000 per school year for books and computers, sporting equipment, band equipment, art materials, and vocational technical supplies!

Questions? Please contact Angela Rembert @ angiewill624@gmail.com

CHESS CLUB

Many of our students would like to join Chess Club after school. We are looking for someone to chair this club! Please call the school office if you are interested or know someone who may be interested!

MEN Who COOK!

MEN WHO COOK 2020 COMMITTEE IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS! Consider volunteering for our school's largest fundraising event which will be held on February 1, 2020. It's with the commitment from our gracious volunteers that we have been able to raise much needed funds to benefit our school's facilities and programs year after year. The first committee meeting will be held

early in the school year. Please contact Cathie Belden at 330-268-0464 or email beldenb@hotmail.com if you are interested in volunteering. This is a wonderful way to get involved in your child's school getting to know the families of St. Michael and be a part of something truly special.



HOT LUNCH

Lunch ordering for FEBRUARY is CLOSED. Lunch ordering for March will open on February 1. Log on to create your account @ factsmgt.com to get started.

Our school account code is
stms-oh

IF YOUR CHILD IS SCHEDULED FOR A FIELD TRIP, PLEASE DO NOT ORDER A LUNCH FOR THAT DAY IF THEY WILL BE GONE DURING LUNCH. WE ARE UNABLE TO ISSUE A CREDIT FOR LUNCHES ORDERED IN ERROR.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PROVIDE YOUR CHILD WITH A WATER BOTTLE EACH DAY.



ATTENTION NEW FAMILIES & ALL VOLUNTEERS TO SMS

Parents wishing to volunteer in our school for lunch duty, recess duty, class parties, field trips, etc., will be required to have a criminal background check completed. In addition, the Diocese of Youngstown requires all volunteers to have attended and be certified in a Child Protection class called "Virtus". This is a one-time class held throughout the diocese. For a complete list of upcoming locations, visit www.virtusonline.org.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL VOLUNTEERS WITH A BCI CHECK AND VIRTUS CLASS TAKEN MORE THAN 5 YEARS AGO, MUST RETAKE THE CLASS AND HAVE A BCI REDONE. THIS IS A NEW DIOCESAN POLICY AND WILL TAKE EFFECT IN THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR. PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR TO CONFIRM YOUR STATUS.

UPCOMING VIRTUS CLASSES IN OUR AREA ONLINE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED AT VIRTUSONLINE.ORG

February 10, 2020 Little Flower Parish (Canton)
February 10, 2020 St. Paul Parish (North Canton)
March 9, 2020 St. Paul Parish (North Canton)
May 11, 2020 Little Flower Parish (Canton)
May 11, 2020 St. Paul Parish (North Canton)
June 1, 2020 St. Paul Parish (North Canton)

[CHILD PROTECTION POLICY UPDATES FOUND HERE](#)

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