

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

November 21, 2019



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NOVEMBER

- 21 Lion King Kids Production 7:00 p.m.
- 25 Mary Poppins auditions (grades 4-8)
- 27 NO LEGO CLUB/ NO HOMEWORK CLUB
- 28-29 NO SCHOOL - THANKSGIVING BREAK

DECEMBER

- 2 Holiday orders through The Uniform Guy due for Christmas delivery
- 3 CLASSES RESUME
- 4 Laura of Pembroke Christmas Shopping Fundraiser 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- 6 Sts. Philip and James School 7th & 8th Grade Dance 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- 9 8TH Grade goes to CCHS 9:00-1:00 (lunch provided)
- 13 FIELD TRIP Grades 5, 6, 7 & 8 Canton Palace Theater - Nutcracker 9:45-12:45
- 17 Christmas Program 8:30 & 10:00
- 18 NO LEGO CLUB
- 19 Archangels in Action Blood Drive 2:00-5:00
- 23- January 3 NO SCHOOL - CHRISTMAS BREAK

Calendar subject to change, as necessary

COME TO LION KING KIDS TONIGHT @ 7:00 P.M. AND SEE OUR TALENTED STUDENTS ON STAGE!



PARKING & END OF DAY DISMISSAL

If possible, when picking up your child in the car line at the end of the day, PLEASE DO NOT TURN LEFT ON FULTON. Turning left on Fulton significantly holds up the rest of the car line.

Please note that the front of the Parish/School office is a key point for student drop off and pickup. We would request that if you are visiting the parish or school office between 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday that you park in the parking lots or ONLY on the East side of St. Michael Blvd. The east side is where the former rectory and current maintenance building are located. This will assure that student arrivals and dismissals occur in the safest manner possible.

PROGRAM FOR THE ARTS

Central Catholic and St. Thomas Aquinas launched their new Program for the Arts in 2017 and their arts offerings have continued to grow. Again this year, our high schools have invited our student in grades 4-8 to auditions on November 25 for their joint spring musical, Mary Poppins. Details about auditions can be found at [SCCSProgramfortheArts.org](#). Again this spring, the high schools will sponsor our students, from 4-8 grade, to travel to the Canton Palace Theater for a private performance of their musical on Friday, April 3. Fliers were sent home in the green folders and one can be seen attached [HERE](#).

JUNIOR HIGH TRIP 91 RESTAURANT FUNDRAISER - THIS IS THE LAST WEEK!

There's still time to purchase 91 Restaurant gift cards for the junior high fundraiser! Cards are available in the school office while supplies last through November 27. Each card sells for \$10 and carries a value of \$10 when used at any of the three restaurant locations (91 Wood Fired Oven, 3 Brothers, and Table 6). Students who sell these cards will receive \$3.50 credit per card toward the cost of their trip. *Thank you Goehring Family for giving our students this opportunity!*

SMS SPIRIT WEAR FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

When searching for that perfect gift this season, don't forget to check out The Uniform Guy for SMS apparel! [HERE](#)! Orders take a minimum of 2 weeks for embroidery. Please place orders by December 2 to ensure holiday delivery.

ARCHANGELS IN ACTION BLOOD DRIVE

Archangels in Action is hosting a blood drive on December 19 in the St. Michael Room. Our goal is to collect 40 pints of whole blood to help restock our Stark County hospitals for holiday emergencies. If you are able to donate please contact Mrs. Tina Miller to schedule a time between 2:30-6:30.

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!

SKI CLUB

Welcome SMS Ski & Snowboard parents! Ski club will begin on January 6 at Brandywine Resort. The program lasts 5 weeks with a possible bonus week! Ski club is open to students in grades 5-8. For more information, please see flier [HERE](#). Registration is done only online at www.bmbw.com/club-program

Order your Ski Club Gear [HERE!](#)

**QUESTIONS?
VISIT OUR
WEBSITE & NEW
APP FOR
ANSWERS**

Our website contains the answers to many of your questions! Check it out at smcanton.org

You can find Athletic registration and documents, school calendars, upcoming events, teacher websites, contact information, announcements, and ARCHIVED

NEWSLETTERS on the website! Check it out!

There is also a NEW APP available. Search out "Stark County Catholic Schools" in the App store and download to your cell phone for easy access! Flier attached [HERE!](#)

A letter from Stark County Catholic Schools, Dan Gravo, can be found [HERE](#).

**DIRECTORY NOW
AVAILABLE ON
FACTS SIS!**

Parents are now able to access family directories on FACTS! At the beginning of the year, forms were sent home allowing or restricting this access. Those families not desiring to be included in the directory will not show up within the system for others to access. If you are unsure of your choice, please call the school office to confirm. The directory can be found within the Family Portal under "Directory" and can be filtered out by grade making it easy for class parties and communication within your child's classroom.

Visit factsmgmt.com to log into the parents web portal. Information is attached [HERE](#).

**CHRISTMAS
SHOPPING
FUNDRAISER**

There will be a Christmas shopping fundraiser benefiting St. Michael School on Wednesday, December 4 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. at LAURA OF PEMBROKE. Get a jump start on your holiday shopping while raising money for our school! 10% of all proceeds during the event will be donated to SMS. Drinks and small bites will be served. A flier can be found [HERE](#).

**SCRIP - WE NOW
CARRY TARGET
GIFT CARDS IN-
HOUSE!**

The holidays are fast approaching! Why not earn tuition while you shop by taking advantage of the SCRIP program. 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!

LAKE LACROSSE CLUB

The Lake Lacrosse Club 1st Annual Abominable Snow League - Friday nights: December 6-January 10 at Hall of Fame Fitness Center. Open to students in grades K-8. See flier attached [HERE](#) for meeting times.

To register, please email Heather Simms @ jonahsimms@aol.com. Payment is due December 6. Spots are limited!

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 the month of DECEMBER IS NOW CLOSED. Orders for JANUARY LUNCHES WILL OPEN ON December 1 and will remain open until December 10. Lunches are ordered via the FACTS PARENTSWEB PORTAL. Log on to create your account @ factsmtg.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.

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

ADVENT CELEBRATION PARTICIPATION

Fr. Benson is inviting children to be part of our Advent celebrations by processing with him and lighting the candles of the Advent wreaths at our weekend Masses. If your child is interested in helping, please sign up using the Sign Up Genius link on the parish website www.stmichaelcanton.org. If you have any questions, please contact Libby Saxton 330-492-3119 ext. 215 or libby@stmichaelcanton.org. Flier can be found [HERE](#)

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL
FAMILY CHRISTMAS CHOIR

ALL AGES are welcome to join the choir for Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. Practices will be Monday evening in December. Individuals or families can sign up to be a part of the choir for the Christmas Eve 6:00PM Mass, and the Christmas Day 9:00AM & 11:00AM Mass.

NEW! Children ages 5 to 18 can join the children's choir for the Christmas Eve 4:00PM Mass in the gym. Have your favorite Christmas carols singing in your heart throughout the season and learn a few new carols to fall in love with!

All ages and all levels are welcome!

Rehearsals will take place:
 Monday, December 2nd 5:00-6:00PM - Rehearsal in Chapel
 Monday, December 9th 5:00-6:00PM - Rehearsal in Chapel
 Monday, December 16th 5:00-6:00PM - Rehearsal in Chapel

I will add my voice to the choir for Christmas and attend a few Monday evening rehearsals.

Name: _____ Email/Phone: _____
 2nd Name: _____ Age: _____
 3rd Name: _____ Age: _____

We will participate in the
 (circle): 12/24 4:00PM GYM 12/25 9:00AM 12/24 6:00PM 12/25 11:00AM



DRESS CODE REVIEW

Please review the attached document [HERE](#) regarding our Dress Code Policy for the 2019-2020 school year.



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

- December 5, 2019 St. Louis Parish (Louisville)
- December 9, 2019 Little Flower Parish (Canton)
- December 9, 2019 St. Paul Parish (North Canton)
- January 3, 2020 St. Joan of Arc Parish (Canton)
- January 13, 2020 St. Paul Parish (North Canton)
- 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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