

January 27, 2022

Dear SMS Families.

## Catholic Schools Week, arguably the BEST week of the whole year, is upon us!

CSW will be from Sunday, January 30 - Saturday February 5.

I can't encourage you enough to attend our Opening Mass for Catholic Schools Week at St. Michael Church on Sunday, January 30, at 11:00am!

Students are asked to please wear their uniforms to show they are an SMS student.

## Going to Mass will be the MOST important thing we do ALL week!

# Our parish does so much to support our school! Please show your appreciation with your presence at Mass!

See the attached packet for more information! (3)

The first page is an overview of the week and the following pages are flyers for each day!

A printed copy of this packet will be coming home with students on Friday.

I will be sending out reminders each night of CSW to remind you of the next day's events.

- A BIG Shamrock Shout-Out Thank You to Mr. Shawn McConnell and Mr. Randy Barr for clearing out our IU4 Resource Room: moving so much from the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor to the basement! I heard many cries of delight from the students who utilized the room today! It made a big difference!
- Congratulations to Trichelle Eddy, the PTO, and all of our volunteer parents who helped to make our Bingo Night this past Saturday a success! We raised over \$2,000 and had a ton of fun! Thank you too to all who supported it by sending in items for the Basket Raffle and by attending or inviting someone to attend!
- Open gym for basketball (PreK-8) will begin TOMORROW: Friday, January 28, after school until 3:30pm. Permission forms and more information went home with students earlier in the week. Students attending tomorrow may bring a change of clothes and should

- also bring a water bottle. Pick-up will be at the back door of Lateran Hall. Thank you, Mrs. McCloskey and Mr. and Mrs, Dorio, for volunteering to lead this!
- You may have noticed some discrepancies on your child's report card in regard to attendance. We realized that too. Our apologies! When students were at home due to quarantine, our system doesn't have an option to mark them present but virtual, so they were checked "Absent" with a note about being quarantined. This helped us know how many students were physically in the building, but it did mess up the attendance on the report cards. We will be updating the attendance in our system this week. Thank you for your patience!
- Do you have your clearances with us and like working with our littlest students? We can use your help as a PreK Aide Substitute! This will be a volunteer role, and only needed occasionally throughout the rest of the year. Call the school's office to get on our sub list!
- YOU and your CHILD are the best PR for SMS! Please share positive stories with your friends, family, and neighbors: in person and on social media to help bring more students and families into our community!
- Join the **40 Club**!! It is one of the biggest fundraisers for our school!! You can win 100s and even 1,000s of dollars! Call the church or school for more information! Spread the word to your family and friends!
- Please bring your families to Mass! St. Michael School is a mission of and an integral part of St. Michael and St. Margaret Church! Going to Mass on Sundays, I miss seeing and praying with young families, especially our school families. Our parish offers 4 Masses each weekend: 4:30pm on Saturday, 7:00am, 11:00am on Sunday (this is the Mass I always go to!) at St. Michael in Greenville and 9:00am on Sunday at St. Margaret in Jamestown.
- Please be on the lookout for COVID symptoms in yourselves and your children. If you suspect any symptoms, please have your child or you tested. In order to maintain a safe environment for all, please practice and help your children practice COVID protocol: proper mask wearing at all times, social distancing, and frequent hand washing with warm soapy water. If your child is sick, please keep them at home!! Kindly contact the school if you or your child does develop any symptoms and also check with your child's doctor for next steps. Talk with your doctor and your child's doctor about whether the COVID vaccine is right for you and your child. COVID vaccines are available now for children ages 5-12. Speak with your child's pediatrician about the right decision for your child.
- If your child is in need of a uniform, please let us know! We can save you a lot of money! We have a <u>PLETHORA</u> of uniform shirts and pants that we are willing to give away at <u>no charge</u>. If your daughter is in K-4, we have plaid jumpers of many sizes! If you have a daughter in Grades 4-8, we have a LOT skirts of many sizes as well! All plaids from us are \$20. If you are *exchanging* a plaid, there is NO COST!

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Have a wonderful evening!

Many Blessings,

Emily Zgone 🗟

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"Open wide the doors of your heart to Christ! <u>Do not be afraid</u>!" - St. John Paul II

### Catholic Schools Week 2022

Join us in celebrating Catholic education for this year's Catholic Schools Week!

Do you have pennies or spare change around the house? We will be having a Penny War all week to benefit AWARE! Send in your extra change!

#### Sunday, January 30: Celebrating Our Parish

- Dress: School Uniforms
- 11:00am Opening Mass for Catholic Schools Week

#### **Monday, January 31:** Celebrating our Community (100<sup>th</sup> Day of School!)

- Dress: Like You're 100!
- 12:30-1:15pm Grandparents' Breakfast for Students with Last Names A-M
- 1:30-2:15pm Grandparents' Breakfast for Students with Last Names N-Z
- 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School Activities
- 4:30-7:00pm Liberty Lanes Bowling

#### **Tuesday, February 1:** Celebrating our Students (Chinese New Year!)

- Dress: In Your Favorite Outfit
- Bring in things that represent your heritage
- Family Tree and All About Me projects due
- 10:30am Chinese New Year Presentation
- Buddy Day Lunch with Subway Lunches Provided!
- 12:00pm Movie Day in Lateran Hall
- 6:00-6:30pm Open House for Students with Last Names N-Z
- 6:30-7:00pm Open House for Students with Last Names A-M

#### Wednesday, February 2: Celebrating the Nation

- Dress: Patriotically
- Valentines for Vets Boxes: Create and Pack
- 12:30pm Patriotic Living Rosary (Streamed via Zoom!)

#### Thursday, February 3: Celebrating Faculty, Staff, and Volunteer

- Dress: What You Want to be When You Grow Up
- Thank you cards to teachers and volunteers
- 12:30pm Play in the Snow (Everyone: pray for snow!)

#### Friday, February 4: Celebrating Vocations

- Dress: Dress Up for Jesus
- 9:00am Closing Mass
- First Friday Cookies
- 10:10-11:00am Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations
- Noon Dismissal

#### **Saturday, February 5:** Celebrating Families

- Dress: Warmest Sled Riding Gear
- 2:00-4:00pm Sled Riding at the top of the Cemetery's Hill!

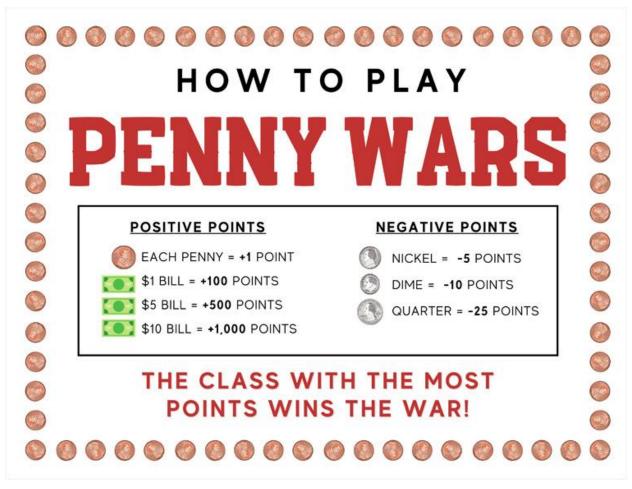


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11:00am Opening Mass at St. Michael Church for Catholic Schools Week (masks are required)



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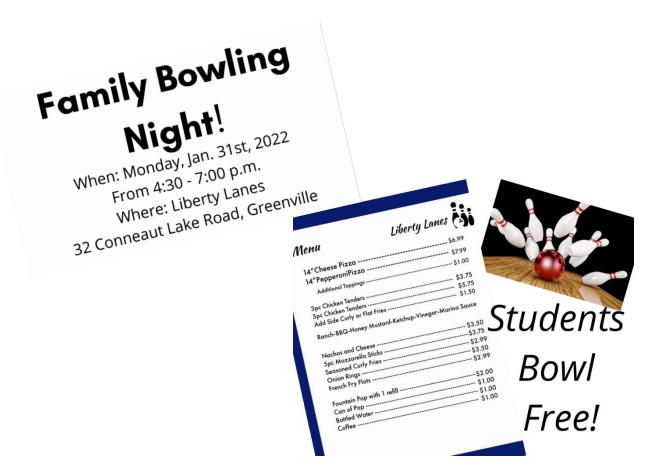
## Monday, January 31 Celebrating Our Community

(100th Day of School!)

Dress: Like You're 100!

### Grandparents' Breakfast in Lateran Hall

\*12:30-1:15pm Students with Last Names A-M
\*1:30-2:15pm Students with Last Names N-Z
Doughnuts, Juice, Milk, and Coffee will be provided!
Parent Help (with Clearances) Needed!



## Tuesday, February 1 Celebrating Our Students

### (Chinese New Year!)

Dress: In Your Favorite Outfit Bring in things from home that represent your heritage

### Family Leaf Project



Families: Design a leaf (attached), cut it out, and send it back to represent your family to add to our school family tree.

You have full creative license!

Please return leaves by Tuesday morning, February 1

### All About Me Photo Timeline

\*Students: Please create a timeline with photos of your life to highlight special memories from birth to now. Include dates and captions. Poster paper is provided.

Below is a sample only. Be creative!



Return All About Me Photo Timelines by Tuesday morning, February 1.

\*For PreK-Grade 6 Only. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade will be doing something special for this project.

10:30am Chinese New Year Presentation/Assembly

Buddy Day Lunch with Subway Lunches Provided!

12:00pm Movie Day in Lateran Hall
Parent Help (with Clearances) Appreciated!

6:00-6:30pm Open House for Families with Last Names N-Z 6:30-7:00pm Open House for Families with Last Names A-M

## Wednesday, February 2 Celebrating the Nation

### **Dress: Patriotically**

Valentines for Vets and Boxes for Active Military: Create and Pack
Please send in donations of the following:

- ✓ Boxes we can pack items in
- ✓ Athletic Socks (Black, Brown, or White)
- ✓ Baby Wipes, Shower Wipes, Hand Sanitizers
- ✓ Cotton Swabs, Loofahs
- ✓ Hygiene /Feminine Hygiene Products, Sunblock, Toothpaste
- ✓ Stationery Items, Pens, Greeting Cards
- √ Magazines, Newspaper Comics
- ✓ Crossword, Puzzlebooks
- ✓ Coffee or Tea (Individual Sizes)
- ✓ Gum, Candy, Hard Candy
- ✓ Beef Jerky (No Pork), Snack Size, Trailmix, PopTarts,
- ✓ Dried Fruit, Raisins, Nuts, Snack Items

## 12:30pm Patriotic Living Rosary in Lateran Hall (we will be streaming this live via Zoom)

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82004482626?pwd=OCt6NU9RZVBQOTVHdHZHT1VUbW5iQT09



# Thursday, February 3 Celebrating Faculty, Staff, and Volunteers

Dress: What You Want to be When You Grow Up

Students create thank you cards for teachers and volunteers







### 12:30pm Play in the Snow Students need to bring the following:



- ✓ Snow Pants
- ✓ Warm Coat that can be zipped
- ✓ Hat
- ✓ Gloves/Mittens
- ✓ Snow Boots
- ✓ Snow-Related Toys (Optional)

(Everyone: pray for snow!)

## Friday, February 4 Celebrating Vocations

Dress: Dress Up for Jesus

9:00am Closing Mass (Join us!)



First Friday Cookies

10:10-11:00am Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations



12:00pm Noon Dismissal

## Saturday, February 5 Celebrating Families

### **Dress: Warmest Sled Riding Gear!**



Families (and Friends of your Family): Join us at the top of the Cemetery's Hill: the best place to sled ride in all of Greenville!

2:00-4:00pm

### **Bring your sleds!**

Please park your vehicle at one of the church or school parking lots and walk up so as not to block the roads around the cemetery.

## Shamrock



## Shout outs!

Thank you to the PTO for supporting so many of these events! We couldn't do them without you!

Thank you to all the parents who are volunteering their time for our events!

Thank you to our teachers and students for being the gifts God created them to be!

Our foundation is Jesus! Our goal is to help each other get to heaven! To be Saints!