



ST. MARY THE BUSS TRIP Newsletter

Mission Statement: St. Mary Elementary School, in collaboration with its parents, educates the "whole child" in a Catholic environment. This allows every child to meet the challenges of a continuously changing society.

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, November 2nd

- All Soul's Day (remembering our beloved ones)
- Trip to PAC – Frindle (Gr 3-5)

Friday, November 4th

- No School Liturgy
- End of 1st Quarter / Early Dismissal @ 11:30 am

Saturday, November 5th

- Daylight Savings Time ends (turn clocks back)

Sunday, November 6th

- **The Sabbath Day**

Friday, November 11th

- School Liturgy
- Recognition of Veterans @ Menasha Library (11am)

Saturday, November 12th

- Jumbo Gumbo @ Waverly

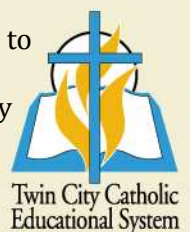
November Birthdays

Elizabeth Oldenburg	11/1
Sami Veitch	11/5
Malayna Golden	11/10
Mackenzie Hayes	11/12
Reagen Lenz	11/13
Nyla Albrecht	11/17
Christian Seaver	11/18
Noah Kindness	11/20
Preston Kindness	11/20
Grecia Vera	11/21
Katie Krautkramer	11/22
Elyssa Heenan	11/24

Catholic Identity ... The 3rd Commandment

"Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day."

The Lord's Day or the Sabbath comes from **Exodus 20: 8-11**, which states that on the Sabbath or seventh day the Lord rested and observed all the good that He created, especially His crown accomplishment of man and woman. In **Deuteronomy 5: 12**, we are reminded that the Sabbath is our renewing the covenant with God. Physically our body cannot continue to function properly without "rest" to rejuvenate itself. The same is also true for our spiritual soul, our life with God. We need time to remember our true calling into this world and the One who breathed life into our body. In addition, we need to recognize that everything comes from God, the Creator and He is deserving of praise and adoration for this gift. As we begin this new monthly theme and the importance of attendance at Mass on Sundays, how do you check out on this crucial commandment? Do you make attendance at church on Sunday or Saturday evening a priority for your family? Do your children see that you value the importance of setting aside one day of the week to take care of the spiritual welfare of yourself and your family? God blesses you with health, a school, an opportunity to make a living, and most importantly a family. To set aside one day and one hour of the 168 hours in a week seems quite small for the benefits that we receive. It amazes me sometime when I listen to the children's reasons for not attending Mass on Sunday. You, as parent, must set that priority in your life, if you want your child/ren to value this commandment in their life. As I stated above, we need a spiritual aspect to our life ... a time to put earthly distractions aside and concentrate on what is important in life. We are creations of God, placed on this earth to make it a better place through our time, talent, and treasure. The spiritual food that allows us to accomplish that task is only found in the celebration of the Eucharist through Mass. Give your child the spiritual food they need this week.



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The Power of Prayer

Our students and staff will be praying this week for the needs, wants, and concerns of the Tim Seaver Family (Christian-Gr 1), the Darrin & Erin Kuehn Family (Jackson- Gr 1 & Julian - PreK), and the Michael & Mary Strohm Family (Octavia – Gr 1). Please join us as we keep these families in our prayers this week.

What's in a Skeleton?

What better way to celebrate Halloween and study science than to view a real skeleton? The 5th grade students had the opportunity to observe and study bones and



skeletons by dissecting an owl pellet. They studied about owls and their prey, how they ate them, and lastly by dissecting the pellet to discover the prey that was captured and eaten. They also added a few new words to their science vocabulary such as mandible, orbital socket, humerus, just to name a few. It was exciting and lots of fun. You decide by viewing the students in action.



Jumbo Gumbo

Get ready to rock on **Saturday, November 12th** for our annual **Jumbo Gumbo** event. This major fundraising event helps all of our schools. All the proceeds are used to defray operating costs and assist with our tuition assistance fund. There are about 25 soups to choose from and they are out of this world. The music is, well ... **Vic Ferra** always very entertaining. In addition, the rumor that **Elvis** may also appear live on there is the opportunity to meet other TC and enjoy a wonderful evening with their friends in your neighborhood invite them to this event. I guarantee that they will enjoy this event and they might want to become part of our TCCES family. The night flies by and there are many surprises throughout the night. Your \$50 ticket automatically enters you into drawings for some great prizes such as Brewer tickets, vacation packages and much more. You need to get your money in by **Friday, November 4th** if you want to be eligible for the Tuition raffle opportunity (several \$500 ones). It is well worth the price of the ticket. Check the TCCES website, www.tcces.org for the Jumbo Gumbo video featuring 5 students from our school and other students from the TCCES system. The video is a Hoot!



End of the Quarter

Just a reminder to all of our parents/families about the end of the quarter, there is an **early dismissal on Friday, November 4th at 11:30 am**. Progress reports for the students will be sent next week. Since the **dismissal time is at 11:30 am**, there is no After School Program offered that day. Again, please mark your calendars!



Clocks need to be turned back one hour on **Saturday, November 5th** for the end of daylight savings time!

POPS Halloween Party

Thank you to everyone who was involved in the POPS Halloween Party last week. It was a fantastic event and the children were very well behaved.



Pictures will be downloaded to Shutter fly on the TCCES website by tomorrow for your viewing. We would like to thank our Seton and SMC students for helping with the student games. They did a great job too.

The SMC students were:

Brooke Albrecht, Rebecca Brumbeloe, Hope Balthazor,

Cheyenne Bohman, Sam Dionne, Kimberly Juchniewich, Hannah Lepper, Leigh McGuirk, Jenna Thelen, Trevor Thompson, Kayla VanDyke, Karly Weber, Alexa Harbor, Aaron Skryzpczak.

The Seton students were:

Sophia Dionne, Alex Albrecht, Regan Andersen, Melissa Brumbeloe, Ryan Conn, Joseph Griffith, Spencer Juchniewich, Ryan Murray, Joe Stinski.

A very special thanks needs to be given to the parents who organized, decorated, and set-up this event. It was the best every.

POPS Parents and Grandparents:

Liz Franzoi, Ellen & Kim Vanderhyden, Ted & Wendy Kersten, Tony Holbrook, Jenny Julius, Becky Green, Jane Julius, Sue Thelen, and the 5th grade parents and students for the Haunted House.



TCCES Basketball Program

Reminder: The 3rd/4th grade basketball skills program begins **Saturday, November 5th**. If your son or daughter is interested in learning and developing their basketball skills please complete the sign-up form that was attached to the October 12th newsletter as soon as possible. The program is a "come when you can" program and there is no cost. It will be held at St. Margaret Mary gym from 8:30 – 10:00 a.m. on each of the scheduled Saturdays.



Veteran's Day Recognition

It was called Armistice Day, and now it is called Veteran's Day. This is a United States holiday whereby we remember the anniversary of the signing of the treaty that ended World War I with the Germans on the 11th month, 11th day, and the 11th hour of 1918. Now, we also recognize all Veterans who have served their country and defended the rights of all US citizens. The students in Mrs. Bergstrom's class have been asked by the VFW to participate in the special recognition ceremony on **Friday, November 11th at 11:00 am at the Menasha Public Library**. They will lead the assembly in song (America the Beautiful) and prayer. Please join us for this special day of recognizing our soldiers who defend our country both now and in the past.



Coats For Kids

We are again participating in the **Coats for Kids Campaign** by assisting Seton Catholic



Middle School with the collection of coats. As you get ready for winter, please look through your closets for any gently used jackets that you no longer need. We are supporting the **Salvation Army's** annual campaign. There is a box in our school along with one in our other TCCES schools for your convenience. You can simply send the coats to school with your student anytime this week. There are only a few days left in this drive, it ends this Friday. Thank you.

TCCES Parents - Help SMC Win Cellcom's Project Innovate!!

Cellcom is holding a contest that includes the nine high schools in the Fox Valley. The school that receives the most votes between October 24 and November 22 will receive \$30,000 for technology. Second place receives \$15,000 and third gets \$5,000. Each person can vote only once and they must provide their e-mail address. It takes only a couple of moments. Please follow the link below and vote for St. Mary Central High School! Winning this contest would benefit all TCCES schools. Besides, don't you think it is only fitting that the Fox Valley's only One-to-One Laptop School should win the contest?

To vote, all one has to do is:

Click this link to [Cellcom's Project Innovate](#)

Vote for: St. Mary Central High School

All you do is click on the above link ... vote for SMC and provide your email address and you are done. You can also send to any of your friends or relatives. It would be fantastic to win the prize.