

Good evening! We hope you are all enjoying a happy Thanksgiving break.

Important Dates coming up:

- **Monday, November 26** ~ Return to school from Thanksgiving Break
- **Tuesday, November 27** ~
 - Free Dress Day for Mass attendance on 11/11
 - 5:00 P.M. Middle School Girls Soccer night with St. John XXIII College Preparatory
 - 6:30 P.M. Cub Scouts meeting in St. Mary's Hall
 - 7:00 P.M. Middle School Boys Soccer night with St. John XXIII College Preparatory
- **Wednesday, November 28** ~
 - 6 P.M. Booster Club meeting in Library
 - 6 P.M. Girl Scouts meeting
- **Friday, November 30** ~
 - \$1 to wear blue jeans
 - Ice Cream (8th grade)
- **Saturday, December 1** ~
 - Breakfast with Santa (FLC) ~ R.S.V.P. is attached
 - Enchanted Christmas Winter Book Fair begins (Library)
 - PTO Used Uniform sale (St. Joseph's Hall)

BOOSTER CLUB

Make plans to join us as we start our 2018-2019 Booster Club. The first meeting will be in the Library on Wednesday, November 28 at 6 P.M. The Booster Club is invaluable in enriching the sports experience for our athletes! We can really use your help!

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

Each year, the Knights of Columbus sponsor a "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest among children ages 5 through 14 (age is determined as of November 1). Last year, one of our students, Alyssa Cacanindin, won the State competition and competed at the National level. Let's see if one of our talented students can win the International competition this year! The information is attached. The original art work is due in the school by Friday, December 7th. Good luck!

SHOW YOUR SMMCS SUPPORT

Support St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School when you shop this holiday. **Amazon** donates when you shop at smile.amazon.com/ch/76-065-0806. And if you link your Kroger Plus Customer Card to our reward number (TS493), **Kroger** will also donate a portion of your purchases to the school. Thank you!!!

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Breakfast with Santa and our Book Fair Kickoff is December 1st from 9 A.M. to Noon. Please R.S.V.P. so our terrific Knights will know how much breakfast to prepare. The cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children and students. This has been a long standing tradition and you won't want to miss it!!!

USED UNIFORM SALE

Do you have any outgrown uniforms taking up space that could be used for hiding Christmas presents? Drop off the clean uniforms in the front office next week and the PTO will add them to the Used Uniform Sale on Saturday, December 1st. Thanks!

SMMCS SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

We would like to invite you and your family to visit our Enchanted Forest Christmas Book Fair and encourage our kiddos to read every day so they can lead better lives. The book fair hours will be:

Saturday, December 1st: 9:00 A.M. – Noon
Monday through Friday, December 3rd– 7th: 7:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

As part of the Book Fair, SMMCS participates in “One-For-Books.” This program supports literacy and builds book fair sales, which benefit the library. Everyone is encouraged to donate their loose change on the proper day. Scholastic donates one book to various charities for each “One-For-Books” dollar collected. The money collected is used to purchase books from the book fair for the classrooms or the library.

Each day during the Book Fair, students are invited to dress as part of each day’s theme. We collect specific denominations of money each day:

Monday (12/3) – Wear red shirts with uniform pants. Bring all of your pennies

Tuesday (12/4) – Wear green shirts with uniform pants. We are looking for nickels.

Wednesday (12/5) – Students may wear Santa hats and/or bells (just not during Mass) and donate dimes.

Thursday (12/6) – Polar Express Day – Wear your PJ’s to watch Polar Express (*don’t forget your blanket!*) and bring all of the quarters you have.

Friday (12/7) – Ugly Sweaters or any festive attire. Any denomination (coins, bills, checks) are welcome!

The class that brings in the most change per student each day will win a shopping spree for their homeroom teacher that day. The class with the most donations per student for the entire week will be treated to a pizza or Chick-Fil-A party when we return from Christmas break!

27th ANNUAL HUMBLE CHRISTMAS PARADE OF LIGHTS “HOW THE GRINCH STOLE CHRISTMAS!”

SMMCS will be participating in this year’s Parade of Lights sponsored by the City of Humble on Tuesday evening, December 4th. This event is always fun for the entire family and is a great opportunity to take part in a community-wide tradition.

If your child is interested in participating, have them go straight to the SMMCS float, which will be in the lineup on the corner of Main Street and Bender Ave. All participants need to be on the float by 5 P.M. Parents are more than welcome to walk behind the float; otherwise, students will need to be picked up at the end of the parade route, which is at the end of Main St. at S. Houston Ave. Please keep in mind that parking and traffic may be difficult in the original area.

V.I.N = VERY IMPORTANT NEWS

On Sunday, December 9th at 9 A.M., we will celebrate St. Mary Magdalene Catholic School and Community. Please join us at Mass. We encourage all of our students to come in their SMMCS Mass Uniform.

UPCOMING EVENTS to put on your calendar now:

- **Tuesday, December 4** ~ 6:30 P.M. 27th Annual Humble Christmas Parade of Lights "How the Grinch Stole Christmas"
- **Wednesday, December 5** ~
 - Last day to register for Kids Night Out / Parents Night Off
 - 4 – 7 P.M. Spirit Night at McDonald's at Mesa & Beltway 8
- **Thursday, December 6** ~ Polar Express Day
- **Friday, December 7** ~
 - "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster art work due
 - Ice Cream for Steps for Students
- **Saturday, December 8** ~ PTO Kids Night Out / Parents Night Off
- **Sunday, December 9** ~ 9 A.M. School Mass
- **Friday, December 14** ~
 - 2 P.M. release
 - R.S.V.P. for class Christmas parties is due to Teacher or Room Parent
- **Tuesday, December 18** ~ 6 P.M. School Christmas program in FLC
- **Wednesday, December 19** ~
 - 11 A.M. Christmas parties
 - Noon Release, no P.R.I.D.E. Academy
- **December 20, 2018 – January 7, 2019** ~ No school, Christmas break