



St. Mary's School



This fall has certainly been a gift from God! Beautiful sunshine and mild temperatures, along with the bounty of the harvest, have colored our recent days.

Speaking of celebrating fall, I invite all of our families, school and community, to our second 2017-18 **Family Night**, on **Thursday, October 26 at 6:30 p.m.** We will celebrate with pumpkins of all sizes and shapes, games and refreshments. (And we certainly appreciate any donations of refreshments.)

I am still in need of a few volunteers during the school day. Please consider this if you are at all available. I am also looking for someone to hire to direct latchkey on days when school is not in session. Please have any potential candidates contact me at school.

I cannot thank all of our parents enough for your continued support! As we strive to continually improve, we truly appreciate all you do for us each day.

Michele Meyers, Principal

IMPORTANT:

Dear Latchkey parents: On Friday, October 20, St. Mary's will NOT hold school, as it is a diocesan staff development day. (The public school IS in session). There will be NO latchkey services on this day as I have been unable to find coverage. Although we very much want to offer services during vacations and other days that school is not in session, we have not been successful in finding someone who is available on those days, and is qualified to do so.

If anyone knows of someone who would be interested in working in our latchkey program, please ask them to contact me at 315-386-3572 or smsprincipal@twcny.rr.com.

Again, I am sorry for this disruption to all of your schedules.

Michele Meyers, Principal

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Upcoming Events

October

20 – NO SCHOOL – Diocesan Staff Development

26 - Family Night 

Nov. 3 – 1st Marking Period Ends

Nov. 6 – Citizen of the Month

Important Announcements

Written Excuses

We must have written records, according to New York State Law, on the following matters:

1. Absentee excuses
2. Restrictions from P.E. or outdoor recess
3. Medical administration
4. Immunization

You may send these in as handwritten excuses OR you may email them to Mrs. Feuka at smsoffice@twcny.rr.com Please use the word EXCUSE in the subject line.



Our Website

www.stmaryscantonny.com

Our Saint of the Week October 16-20



Saint Jude Feast Day – October 28

Patron Saint of desperate causes, desperate situations, lost causes

St. Jude, known as Thaddaeus, was a brother of St. James the Less, and a relative of Our Savior. He was one of the 12 Apostles of Jesus and his attribute is a club. Images of St. Jude often include a flame around his head, which represent his presence at Pentecost, when he accepted the Holy Spirit alongside the other apostles. Another attribute is St. Jude holding an image of Christ, in the Image of Edessa.

Sometimes he can also be seen holding a carpenter's ruler or is depicted with a scroll or book, the Epistle of Jude.

Biblical scholars agree St. Jude was a son of Clopas and his mother Mary was the Virgin Mary's cousin. Ancient writers tell us that he preached the Gospel in Judea, Samaria, Idumaea, Syria, Mesopotamia, and Lybia. According to Eusebius, he returned to Jerusalem in the year 62, and assisted at the election of his brother, St. Simeon, as Bishop of Jerusalem.

Saint Jude is not the same person as Judas Iscariot, who betrayed Our Lord and despaired because of his great sin and lack of trust in God's mercy.

Jude was the one who asked Jesus at the Last Supper why He would not manifest Himself to the whole world after His resurrection. Little else is known of his life. Legend claims that he visited Beirut and Edessa and could have been martyred with St. Simon in Persia.

 The **Library Wish List** is still active! Please feel free to drop by to pick up a book slip or email Mrs. Feuka.

