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## Week-At-A-Glance

Friday, October 31, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All School Mass - Grs. 4/5 @ 9:00 AM</li></ul>
Monday, November 3, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Morning Prayer - Grade 7</u></li></ul>
Tuesday, November 4, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>NO BUS SERVICE AM &amp; PM</u></li><li>• <u>NO HOT LUNCH</u></li></ul>
Wednesday, November 5, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Middle School Mass - Gr. 8 @ 9:00 AM</li></ul>
Thursday, November 6, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 3rd Grade - Ford Rouge Plant</li></ul>

[November Calendar.pdf](#)

[Nov Menu.pdf](#)

Principal Points:

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Auction News Flash! Auction News Flash! Auction News Flash! Auction News Flash!  
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The Auction is in need of volunteers to procure items for *Hooray for Hollywood - Take Twelve!*

- Please contact Gina Aten, Pam McGlade, or me for more information about this important Auction function. We are also in need of donations of Auction items in the \$50 -\$75 range. In lieu of a donation, the Auction team requests a monetary donation of \$50 in order to purchase Auction items. These \$50 donations collectively account for tens of thousands of dollars in generated

- earnings for the Auction, so please consider donating. Many thanks for those of you who have already made donations of items or cash!
- Conferences for 1st Quarter will be held on Monday, November 17 and Tuesday, November 18. There will be a 12:00 p.m. dismissal on both days with no P.M. busses. Conferences will follow the early dismissals according to this schedule: Monday, November 17, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.; Tuesday, November 18, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Thank you!
  - Representatives from Ladywood High School visited our school and spoke with our 7th & 8th grade girls on Tuesday, October 28, including a couple of familiar faces, **Grace Prosniewski** and **Kristine Aurand**. Thanks girls, for the exciting and informative presentation!
  - Euchre Parties! - November 8 & January 17 - both parties @ 7:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed to staff these events, so please contact Julie Kukalis @ 810 231-0623 or by email at [julie@landmarktravel.net](mailto:julie@landmarktravel.net) . Thanks again!
  - *Mega-Raffle News!* Families may sell mega-raffle tickets after Masses on the following dates: November 1 & 2 and November 8 & 9.

## BINGO!

We are in need of Bingo volunteers for all positions, both large and small. Please contact Julie Wolf at [juliewolf2005@hotmail.com](mailto:juliewolf2005@hotmail.com) or by calling her at 734 634-0784 for more information.

Bingo training! Bingo training! Bingo training! Bingo training! Bingo training!

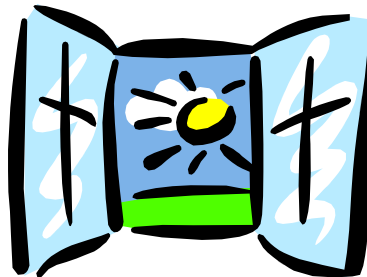
Bingo training will held on Monday, November 10 @ 7:00 p.m.

Thank you for your continuing support!

Best regards,

John Gilboe

## THE WINDOW



P.E. News:

We've been busy in gym class. We finished our soccer unit and went right into our Presidential Fitness Testing, which we are now done with, everyone did a great job! We just started the Elk's Hoop Shoot contest. Last year Jacob Schmitter and Madylan Black made it to the state level, while Matt Sherman went all the way to the Nationals in Massachusetts.

## For Your Information

### Thank You:

Dear families of St. Mary,

I would like to thank you all for the cards, masses, prayers and kind words of sympathy. They are a source of great comfort.

Pam Prosniewski and family

### Library News:

The library has been up and running since the second week of school. Thanks to all of our wonderful library volunteers, Rina Malcolm, Fabiola Albert, Jeanne Jones, Emmy Liddy, and Sandy Sullivan. We would welcome anyone else who is interested in volunteering.

We are still in need of a Birthday Club coordinator. Please contact Heather Burton or Rina Malcolm if you are interested in helping our library in any capacity.

Note your child's library day:

P4M – Wednesday	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade – Friday
P4A – Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade – Friday
Kindergarten – Monday	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade – Thursday
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade – Wednesday	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade – Thursday
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade – Thursday	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade – Monday
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade – Wednesday	

Please remember that the children can have their library books for one week (unless they have asked for longer times due to reports, etc.).

The Bookfair is quickly approaching. It will be held before and during conferences, November 13<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>. All profits from the Bookfair go directly back into our library. Please consider volunteering to help at the Bookfair this year. We will need cashiers, set-up people, "One-for-Books" coordinator, etc. I will have a sign up sheet posted outside the library or let us know via Yahoo group or a note sent with your child.

## Hooray for Hollywood Update!

Auction donations letters will be going out within the week. Soon we will have a list of donors to follow-up with. Please consider taking a list to help distribute the grunt work.

We will soon be advertising an auction wish list. Watch for it in the gathering space.

CALL OUT! We need sports tickets. We realize some seasons/schedules are not available but if you are a season ticket holder (or know someone who is) and can offer 2-4 tickets for any of the local teams – Pistons, Tigers, Lions, Red Wings, Wolverines (all sports), Spartans (all sports), Ignition, Shock, etc., we would love to create an “all seasons” live item.

Thank you to the Flaherty family for their item donation and the Kukalis family for their trip donation.

Special thanks this week to the Wing Family and Gene & Heather Orlowski for volunteering to be stuffers/mailers.

“Remember, if you ever need a helping hand, it's at the end of your arm, as you get older, remember you have another hand: The first is to help yourself, the second is to help others.” – Audrey Hepburn

## November Food Drive:

Our November Food Drive will be held on Friday, November 7th. This month, we are asking for donations to help with the Men's Club Christmas Baskets. St. Mary's Men's Club provides food baskets each year to those families in need during the holidays. Once again, we have broken the items down per class to spread out the items needed. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Lisa Wack @ 810- 231- 6116.

### Preschool

Canned Fruit

### Kindergarten

Cranberry Sauce

Juice/Juice boxes

### 1st Grade

Canned sweet potatoes/yams

Canned fruit

### 2nd Grade

Stuffing Mix

### 4th Grade

Canned Chicken

### 5th Grade

Boxes of Jell-O or Pudding

### 6th Grade

Canned Tuna

### 7th Grade

Spaghetti Sauce

Canned Stew

3rd Grade

Canned White Potatoes

(We do not need corn or beans please)

8th Grade

Cereal

\*\*Please check the expiration date on ALL food items that you send in. We are not allowed to give out any expired food. Your support is greatly appreciated.

### Staff Sponsored Benefit Spaghetti dinner set for November 14:

On Friday, November 14, from 4:30-7:30 the St. Mary School staff will be holding a benefit dinner for Jordan Keen. For the past 3 ½ years Jordan has suffered from RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy) also know as CRPS (Complex Regional Pain Syndrome). RSD is a rare disease in which the body's sympathetic nervous system grossly over reacts to injury. The severe pain is relentless and can lead to permanent disability. There is no know cure for the disease. Jordan's mother Sue taught at St. Mary for several years. She loved it here, but had to leave in order to care for and teach Jordan. The benefit will help the Keen family pay for an expensive new therapy. This therapy is the best chance Jordan has for relief from the pain. Please join us on the 14<sup>th</sup>! God bless you.

We are looking for school families who would be willing to donate desserts for the dinner. Also, if anyone would like to make a monetary donation to help defray the cost of the food it would be greatly appreciated. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Wick by sending a note to school or Mrs. Kinsey via e-mail at [mrskinsey@stmarypinckney.org](mailto:mrskinsey@stmarypinckney.org). Thank you!



### Children's Clothing Exchange:

Thank you to all who participated in the consignment sale/school fundraiser.

The sale was a BIG success!

It was very well received, with great feedback about how organized & easy it was to shop! There has been much interest from the community to have St Mary host this event annually!

St. Mary School had the privilege to serve our community and many local charities. Your donations were distributed to:

- Pregnancy Helpline
- Hearts, Inc. (new charity in Chelsea that helps children who have been displaced by fire, foreclosures, and other emergencies),
- The St. Louis Center in Chelsea,
- Love Inc.
- Flint ministry

This event cost less than \$50 to host. It was an easy "fun"draiser, only requiring small amounts of volunteer time. The fundraising dollars earned was: \$1539.50.

Thanks to sponsors: TJ Maxx, Wal-Mart, Stahl family and Nancy Harris (Heart's, Inc.) we were able to keep our costs down to maximize our earnings.

We will host this event annually...please watch for dates of our next sale Oct. 2009!

Visit our webpage: <http://schoolstmarypinckney.org>

We should be proud that we have done a wonderful community service while raising funds for the school.

Thank you for your efforts & support to help the Children's Clothing Exchange succeed!

With a grateful heart,  
Wendy Warshal