

Thursday Note
September 16, 2021



There is no school tomorrow, September 17th! Our Teachers and Staff will be attending a special meeting. The Mysteries of the Eucharist.

Next Thursday, September 23rd is our first Family Breakfast. Please join us for pancakes, sausage, and friendly company. This breakfast will be a socially distanced gathering in the gym. Masks must be worn in the school, except while eating. The cost is \$3.00 for adults and children are free. Breakfast will begin at 7:15 A.M. We are looking forward to seeing everyone!

Please remember the classes that are PEANUT & TREE NUT FREE when packing lunches or bringing snacks from home. There can be absolutely NO NUTS OR NUT PRODUCTS in the Fifth, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth grade classrooms. Thank you for your understanding.

Next week we will be celebrating ***Start With Hello Week***. This is a week that was founded by the Sandy Hook Promise Organization that promotes inclusion, acceptance, empathy, and connectedness. The children will be challenged to say hello to ten new people each day, invite others to play with them and participate in activities, and to learn how to reach out and build connections. On Wednesday, the 22nd, everyone is invited to wear green to commemorate this event and to remind ourselves that we need to be accepting and inclusive to all.

As of Wednesday, John Sharkey has six St. Mary's hooded sweatshirts left: a youth medium, youth extra large, two adult small, and two adult XXL. He also has one adult long sleeve T-shirt. Call him at 518-586-0544, if interested.

Our Soccer and Cross Country Teams are off to a great start! Thank you to our Coaches, Mr. Giordano and Mrs. Courtright for soccer, and Mr. Wells and Mrs. Rich for Cross Country. It feels so great to be out there playing again! New soccer jerseys and cross country singlets that you ordered for your child cost \$22.30 each. Please make checks out to St. Mary's School and send it in as soon as possible for those jerseys.

If you know of anyone in Essex County who has any children, ages 0 - 5, please contact Family Support Coordinator, Mrs. Arzberger (518) 281-1332 for a registration form for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. This FREE program offers a monthly book that is delivered by mail to all children. It's a terrific way to encourage reading and to build a child's library. Grandparents can register their grandchildren as well and have the books delivered to any Essex County address!

New families are receiving the Afternoon Dismissal Procedures/ Car Line information with a map. All parents need to remember to be patient, and to NEVER pull out of the car line and go around others to leave. If your child is being picked up by a family member, please remind them of the procedures and rules.