

# ST. MARY BYZANTINE SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

*Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory to Him forever!*

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*“Love one another as I have loved you!” John 13:34*

### **THOUGHTFUL WORD**

“Teamwork divides the task and multiplies the success.” Unknown

### **LITURGICAL SERVICE**

September 8 - 8:20 Liturgy All are welcome!

### **CONFERENCES**

Thank you to all of our families for your attendance at conferences. We hope the one-one time spent with teachers has been valuable in providing support for a great start to the new year!

### **LUNCH APPLICATION**

For the 2023-2024 school year all hot lunches will be free for all students. There will be no application. **However, if a student packs a lunch and wants milk the cost is .50 cents.**

### **UNITY CATHOLIC SAVINGS PROGRAM**

Again this year the Unity Catholic Credit Union will enable students to save money with their own student accounts. Applications are in the school office. Beginning September 14<sup>th</sup>, and every Thursday, students may bring money for deposit into their account. All money should come in a marked envelope.

### **GYM UNIFORMS**

We have a very limited supply of uniforms in stock. If you have checked with the office and still need gym uniforms, the website is: [stmarype2023.itemorder.com](http://stmarype2023.itemorder.com).

### **PRESCHOOL**

Parents may enroll their children in our preschool program at any point in the year when they turn three years old. Please call Miss Rayokovich at 216-351-8121 for further enrollment information.

### **EXCUSED ABSENCES**

According to State regulations, when a student is absent we must receive a written notification stating the reason for the absence, even if a call was made to the school. If no written note comes in the day is considered as an “unexcused” absence. Attendance is reported to the State monthly. Email notification is considered written notification and is acceptable documentation.

### **PICTURE DAY**

School pictures will be taken on Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. All students will have their picture taken. Students are to wear their regular school uniform for pictures. Information is going home with students or you may go on the website: [mylifetouch.com](http://mylifetouch.com).

### **CYO**

The Athletic Program is sponsoring a fundraiser car wash on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. Your support will be greatly appreciated!

### **DRESS CODE**

Tennis shoes and laces may only be school colors (white, blue, black, grey); no color stripping.



**Welcome back to SMB**, here's to another great year!

I wanted to start out by thanking you for helping last year! As you know, there is a lot of work that goes into school activities, and to help make this year fun for our students, we are looking for parent/family help with activities! A tentative schedule was sent out for events happening this year.

The first event is coming up THIS Monday. We are kicking off the school year with an Ice Cream Social after school on **Monday, September 11**. We are looking for:

- Ice cream scoopers (we want to scoop ice cream ahead of time to make sure the serving line moves smoothly!) If you can arrive at school about 1-1:15.
- Servers (helps serve ice cream and put toppings on for the children)

If you are able to help with this first event, please let me know so I can make sure we have enough help!

Also, our first PTU meeting will be Thursday, September 21, at 6pm in the church basement. We will discuss other events and activities for the school year...bring your ideas! **ALL ARE WELCOME!** Please, spread the word about PTU and forward along this email to any other parents/families who may be willing to help with future activities.

As always, any questions please reach out to myself, or any of the other PTU officers:

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Parents are welcome to come early on Monday and enjoy ice cream with their students.

Preschool/kindergarten	2:00
Grades 1 & 2	2:10
Grades 3 & 4	2:20
Grades 5 & 6	2:30
Grades 7 & 8	2:40

**WELCOME TO OUR NEW AND RETURNING STAFF!**

All staff email addresses follow the same format of: last name, first initial [@stmarybyzantine.com](mailto:@stmarybyzantine.com)

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Mrs. Rayokovich, Secretary  
 Custodians: Mr. Basalla, Mr. Feliciano, Mr. Ramos  
 Nurse: Ms. Schultz  
 Tutor: Mrs. Marshment  
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 Speech/Language: Mrs. Heinle  
 Counselor: Mrs. Turle  
 Aides: Mrs. Heimburger, Miss Nelson, Miss Voase  
 Cafeteria: Mrs. O'Brien, Mrs. Woon

