

# 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**

“Don’t be afraid of pressure. Remember that pressure is what turns a lump of coal into a diamond.”  
Author Unknown

### **LITURGY SCHEDULE**

School Liturgy – Thursday, November 17th, 8:20

### **PLANNING AHEAD**

November 23, 24, 25 – Thanksgiving Break

November 29 – WE GIVE CATHOLIC! More information coming soon!

Week of December 5<sup>th</sup> – Secret Santa Shop

December 23 through January 6 – Christmas Break

### **DRILLS**

In order to prepare students for varying circumstances, a school regularly practices safety drills such as fire and tornado. Schools are also required to conduct lock-down drills annually. At some point in the near future we will conduct a lock-down drill. We may have police on the premises strictly as practice with the students. We will notify you when the drill occurs. A PRACTICE DRILL OCCURRED TODAY, November 16.

### **GIVE CATHOLIC**

It's coming soon! We are days away from our next WE GIVE CATHOLIC campaign! Last year was INCREDIBLE! All of the donations received go directly back to our school! Last year's funds went to purchase new playground equipment, outdoor basketball hoops, field trips, and coming soon.....new windows. We want to make this year even more successful and raise even more money! We need your help...spread the word about the campaign, share on social media and donate if you can! ***Be on the lookout for more information!***

#### ***COIN CHALLENGE!***

The week of November 14<sup>th</sup> bring in your loose change (pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters) to fill your classroom buckets! We also accept bills! All proceed go back to the school through the “We Give Catholic” campaign.

### **SECRET SANTA RETURNING!**

The “Secret Santa Shop” gives students an opportunity to purchase small Christmas gifts for their families. We need volunteers to help with the shop the week of December 5<sup>th</sup>. A separate email was sent with a link to sign-up to volunteer!

### **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 Nicole Rayokovich at 216-351-8121 for further enrollment information.

### **RECESS**

As long as the weather is dry students will be outside for recess, please have students dress accordingly for being outdoors.

## CHRISTMAS PLAY

Attention children and parents! We invite all children and youth to participate in a Christmas play which takes place on Sunday, December 18, 2022 after the 10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy. The Christmas play is open to our school and parish children and teenagers. Rehearsals will be down in the basement every Thursday at 6-7pm starting November 3rd, 2022.

The rehearsal dates are as follows:

- November 10 at 6-7pm
- November 17 at 6-7pm
- December 1 at 6-7pm
- December 8 at 6-7pm
- December 15 at 6-7 pm

If you have any questions about the Christmas play, please feel free to reach out to Mrs. Visnovsky at [Miriam2018@my.com](mailto:Miriam2018@my.com) or Mrs. McKay at [ecfvbs@gmail.com](mailto:ecfvbs@gmail.com).

## HEALTHY PROTOCOLS

Just a reminder.....If your child is sent home with the following they are not to return to school for 24 hours from the time they are sent home, and 24 hours symptom free: sore throat, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, chills muscle pain, excessive fatigue. If your child has a fever, must be fever free for 24 hours without medication. Thank you for your cooperation.

## GYM UNIFORMS

The website to order gym uniforms is: [stmarye20.itemorder.com](http://stmarye20.itemorder.com).

**#weGIVECATHOLIC**  
with the Catholic Community Foundation on **#GIVINGTUESDAY**

Northeast Ohio's Online Day of Catholic Giving

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**TUESDAY**  
**NOVEMBER 29**