



St. Mary/McCormick Catholic Academy

Communicator

“One Child at a Time”

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The mission of St. Mary/McCormick Catholic Academy is to provide a safe learning environment which fosters academic excellence and spiritual growth in the Catholic faith. St. Mary/McCormick Catholic Academy educates “One Child at a Time” - mind, body, and soul.

Flu Status

We have had 5 cases of the regular flu reported in Grades PS, K, 1, 6 and 8. No H1N1 has been reported

Please remember in order to keep us all healthy:

1. Students who are sick should be kept home from school.
2. Please monitor your child's temperature if he or she is not feeling well. Students running a fever **MUST be fever free without** the use of fever reducing medication (Tylenol, Motrin, Advil, etc.) for **24 hours** prior to returning to school. This means that even if your child is feeling better, if he or she has not been fever-free for 24 hours, he or she must stay home.
3. Students who come down with fevers during school will be sent home. Work will be sent home with them whenever possible.
4. Please encourage your children to practice proper respiratory etiquette by reminding them to sneeze or cough into a tissue or at the elbow bend, rather than into their hands.
5. Please remind your child to wash his or her hands frequently and use hand sanitizer in the classroom if need be.

H1N1 School/Community Vaccination Sites

Hours 1:30 - 3 p.m. are designated for school students in the building to receive vaccine.

Hours 4-8 p.m. are focused on immunizing community members of at-risk populations including:

Pregnant women

Children between 6 months and 24 years

Health care workers/emergency first responders

Care givers of children under 6 months of age

Anyone 25-64 with an underlying health condition such as asthma, diabetes or any heart/lung condition

Initial clinics are focused on vaccinating above groups, however any community member can receive vaccination at any clinic location.

In the event of clinic cancellation, check Health Department website: www.stclaircounty.org/offices/health.

The symptoms of H1N1 flu virus in people include fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue. Some people may have vomiting and diarrhea. People may be infected with the flu, including H1N1 and have respiratory symptoms without a fever. Severe illnesses and deaths have occurred as a result of illness associated with this virus.

Rwandan Genocide Survivor Immaculee Illibagiza to speak in Detroit

Rwandan genocide survivor and New York bestselling author Immaculee Illibagiza will give a talk at Fellowship Chapel, 7707 W. Outer Dr. Detroit, on November 13 @ 6:30 p.m. Proceeds will benefit Freedom House, a shelter that provides a range of services for refugees, survivors of persecution, seeking asylum. Immaculee, a survivor of the 1994 Rwandan genocide, is world-renowned for her story of faith, hope and forgiveness, told eloquently in her books and compelling in her popular lecture appearances. Her work and her story have earned her a devoted following. She has appeared on “60 Minutes”, CNN, the Aljazeera Network, and in the New York Times and USA Today.

Tickets are \$25 for the lecture; \$75 for the lecture, a reception with Illbagiza, and a copy of Left to Tell.

Group rates are available. For tickets, call 586-274-3424 or Deborah Krueger @ 982-7906 ext. 106 or go online @ www.freedomhousedetroit.org



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Open Gym

Middle School students (6th, 7th, 8th) are invited and encouraged to attend Open Gym on Thursday, November 19, 2009. Open gym will take place from 3:00 - 4:30 p.m., in the gymnasium.

Cost: one canned or boxed food item per student, for the needy.

Come join the fun! There will be basketball, Ping Pong, Foosball, gymnastics, dodge ball, board games, and card games.

Bring a change of clothes and your own after school snack/drink.

Be prepared to have to have fun. We hope to see you all there!

Sponsored by your
Student Council

Hearts to Hands

It's time to kick off our Hearts to Hands program. Each year the classrooms collect new scarves, mittens, hats, and gloves for the needy in our area.

Please send in any of the above items with your child until December 2nd. We will see that they are delivered by Christmas.

From our hearts to their hands, thank you and God Bless!!!

November tuition is due.

Late fees will be added, so please make sure payment is received this month.

Thank You for a Great Halloween Stroll

A BIG thank you goes out to the following parents ----

Chris Sebastian
Jennifer Petrach
Steve Rumptz
Marilyn Netter
Mrs. Koehler
Elaine MacFarland

What a great success we had! About 1000 trick or treaters and their parents came to our St. Mary/McCormick booth and received candy, pencils, and brochures to help promote our school.

Free advertisement, fun work, and spreading information of our school....
Priceless!

Many Thanks

Thank you to the wonderful people who helped out during the month of October in our lunchroom and out on the playground. We appreciate you coming in to serve meals to the children and to help watch them during their lunchtime.

Sign up sheets are posted on the volunteer board in the gym.

These hours count toward your parent participation requirement.

Popcorn Fridays

We will be selling freshly popped popcorn at lunch every Friday for 25 cents a bag. The profits will go into classroom funds.



Sports Corner

Tonight the Varsity Girls Basketball Tournament opens with MCA playing Holy Cross @ 6 p.m. The winner of that game will play against St. Augustine (St. A's) @ 6 p.m. on Friday. The tournament will be held at Immaculate Conception School. Good Luck to our Cardinal players & coaches!

Moms in Touch Prayer Group

Just a reminder; that we have a mom's prayer group that meets on Friday, mornings from 7:50 - 8:50 in the rectory conference room. We would love to have you join us in prayer for our children. If you are in need of child care for that hour, we have made arrangements with our daycare. According to our state license all children must be completely potty trained to attend our day care.

Call Jennifer Aguinaga @ 841-2348 or Sharon Armstrong @ 385-3651 with any questions. God Bless!

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Weekend Workers:

November 7 & 8

St. Mary's:

5:00 p.m. - Can You Help?

8:00 a.m. - Cyndi Trice

9:30 a.m. - Claudine Hilbec

11:30 a.m. - Aneta Jansen

SHUTTERFLY 5% BONUS!!!!

November 7 - December 11
receive 14% for each \$25 scrip card purchased.