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Dear Families,

We have had quite a week of fun and excitement this week celebrating the success of our Catholic Schools Walk! Given that this high energy week was preceded by Halloween, a full moon, and a time change, I'm pretty sure that our teachers have qualified for sainthood. We will be holding the all-school movie on November 22 (the day before Thanksgiving break).

The end of the first trimester is on November 29<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure to regularly check PowerSchool to monitor your child's progress and to make sure they have turned in all their work. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to your child's teachers.

I am so excited that Ms. Barenz and Mrs. Halverson have stepped up to direct our Christmas Musical. Please see the note below for details. To make this work, we will need many volunteers to help with costumes, props, staging, etc. Please reach out to Mrs. Barenz or Mrs. Halverson to offer your support!

Are you signed up for Trivia Night! It is happening at 6:00 PM tonight!!

Good luck to our FLL (First Lego League) Team who will be competing at MUHS this weekend!

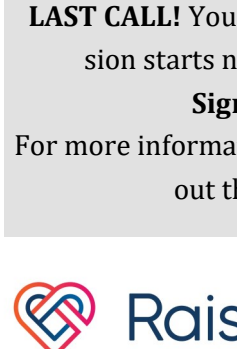
Faithfully,

Linda Joyner

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Tonight!!**  
Trivia Night
- Nov. 17th**  
K4 Schools Walk Bowling Party @Krueger's
- Nov. 17th**  
Field Trip to Art Museum  
*3rd, 4th, some 5th Grade*
- Nov. 18th**  
Holiday Folk Fair  
*6th & 7th Grade*
- Nov. 18th**  
Middle School  
"Glow Party" Dance
- Nov. 23 - 25**  
Thanksgiving Break
- Nov. 29**  
End of Trimester 1
- Nov. 30 - Dec. 2**  
Holiday Treasures  
Gift Shop
- Dec. 2**  
3rd - 8th Grade Field Trip
- Dec. 15th**  
"A Christmas Yarn"  
Christmas Musical  
*K5-2nd Grade*
- Dec. 16**  
Movie Night  
*(more info to come)*
- Dec. 23 - Jan 2**  
Christmas Break

[View Full Calendar](#)



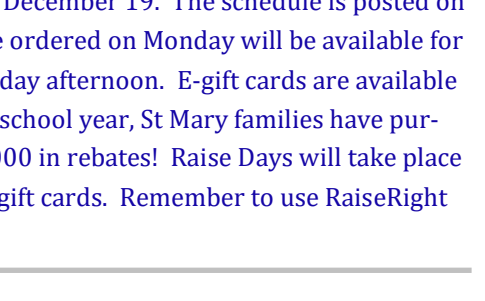
### Do You Know About Directory Spot?

Directory Spot is a useful downloadable app for school parents! The app is populated with parent names, home address, emails, and phone numbers. If you'd like to add your information and utilize the app, please let the school office know so we can add you as a user!

**LAST CALL!** Young Rembrandts next session starts next week, Nov. 16th!

**Sign up today!**

For more information and to register, check out the flyer [here](#).



### RaiseRight

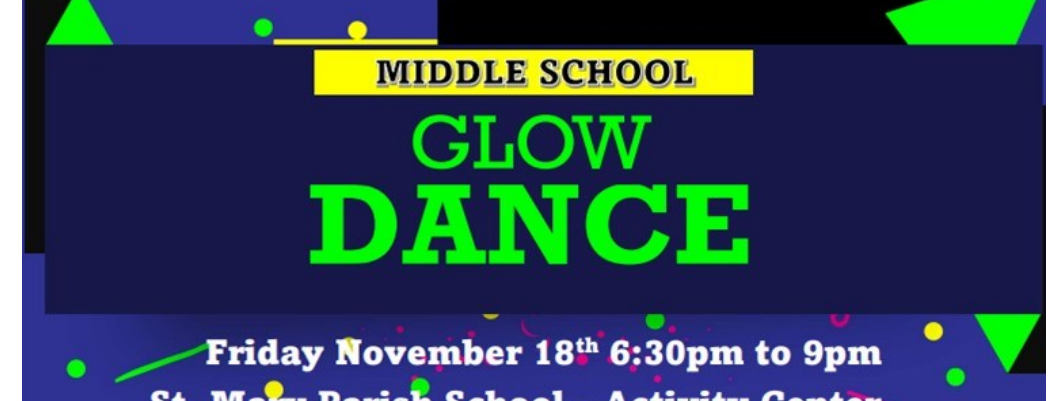
Formerly ShopWithScrip

As Christmas approaches, RaiseRight (previously Scrip) gift card orders will be processed every two weeks until Thanksgiving, then every week through December 19. The schedule is posted on the school website. As a reminder, cards that are ordered on Monday will be available for pick-up, or come home with your child, on Thursday afternoon. E-gift cards are available immediately when purchased online. So far this school year, St Mary families have purchased \$258,000 using RaiseRight, earning \$13,000 in rebates! Raise Days will take place November 17-18, and offers bonus rebates on e-gift cards. Remember to use RaiseRight for your Christmas gift card shopping!

### Out-of-Uniform Week—Check out the fun we've had!

We loved seeing the participation and FUN our students had all week in celebration of the success of our Catholic Schools Walk!

[Click here for more pictures.](#)



### MIDDLE SCHOOL GLOW DANCE

Friday November 18<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm to 9pm

St. Mary Parish School – Activity Center

**Our Middle School "Glow Dance" is coming up!!**

**Don't forget to register/return your permission slips!**

The event will be a fun night of music, socializing, games and an Ice Cream Sundae bar! Please let us know if your middle school son and/or daughter can attend by **returning the permission slip with payment to the school office by Monday, November 14th**. Cost of the event is \$10 per student. We hope to have a great turnout for this event!

There are a few items that we will need to make this night a success. Please consider donating via the following [sign-up genius link](#).

[Click here for the full flyer!](#)

### It's a Christmas Miracle!

Our K5- 2nd Grade Musical is On, but... We Need Your Help!



Many, many thanks to Ms. Barenz and Mrs. Halverson who have stepped up to co-direct and lead our K5—2nd grade students in "A Christmas Yarn" musical which will be held on **Thursday, Dec. 15th**. We

are very grateful for them stepping up to lead, but they will need a lot of your help! **Please reach out to them or the school office if you are able to help with costumes, scenery, or anything else. Remember, many hands make for light work.**

THANK YOU!!!

### Home & School Updates

#### Volunteer Spotlight:

**Shelly Lemminger**

Shelly Lemminger has been a long-standing volunteer at St. Mary, and we can't thank her enough for all her time and dedication to our community! Shelly has helped with numerous committees and events over the past, including helping with the Scholastic Book fair, the Ice Cream Social, the Holiday Treasures Gift shop, helping out in the library, covering recess duty, and volunteering as a room parent, among others!

Additionally, Shelly helps out in the school office from time to time, helping to answer phones and tending to the students who aren't feeling well and/or in need of some TLC. She also helps greet anyone who comes into the school building and seeks out additional tasks to keep busy and be of utmost help. Shelly does this all with a calm and engaging manner, making sure our students are in the best hands and helping answer any questions they or parents/families may have.

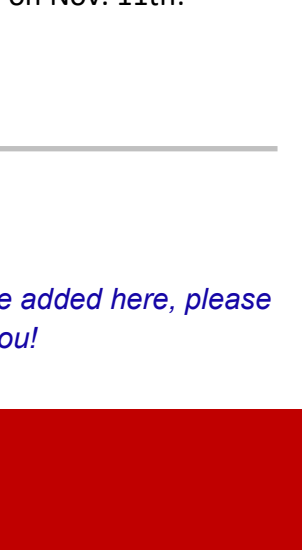
Shelly, you are a blessing to our St. Mary School Community, and we are so grateful for you sharing your time and talents helping fulfill so many needs for our students, families and faculty!

Thank you for all you do!

### Parish Updates

#### Archdiocese of Milwaukee Offers Inspiring Evening of Faith for the Family

Families in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee are invited to **XLT (Exalt), a deeply spiritual experience** geared toward middle and high school students, on Sunday, Nov. 13. The free event, which is hosted by St. Charles in Hartland, starts with Mass at 6 p.m. and is followed by an evening of praise, worship, and Adoration, that culminates with an inspirational talk that will move the hearts of all in attendance. (If not attending Mass, please meet at St. Charles at 7:15 p.m.) For more information, email Archdiocese of Milwaukee Associate Director of Youth Evangelization Doug Ulaszek at [ulaszekd@archmil.org](mailto:ulaszekd@archmil.org) or call (414) 758-2211. Register at [archmil.regfox.com/archmilxlt](http://archmil.regfox.com/archmilxlt)



#### Dcn. Lance Tappa to Present 'Living Your Faith in a Secular World' on Nov. 16

Since the start of the school year, St. Mary Faith Formation has been hosting an adult speaker series each month on various topics relating to the Catholic social teachings of the Church. The next talk, which will take place on Nov. 16, will feature of speaker newly ordained Dcn. Lance Tappa. The title of Tappa's talk is "Living Your Faith in a Secular World." Join us at 6:40 pm in the Lower Level Conference Room of the school. All are welcome. The talk will last about an hour.

#### Seeking Volunteers to Help with School Maintenance Projects

Buildings and Grounds Manager Tim Galligan is seeking volunteers to help with a variety of school maintenance projects, including strip the stairwell floors and putting on new skid pads. Please call the parish office if you'd like to learn more or lend a hand.

#### Love One Another Campaign Update

Families that are registered members of St. Mary Parish will have likely received information about the Love One Another Capital Campaign. Thanks to your support so far, we are inching ever close to achieving our goal. As of Friday, Nov. 11, St. Mary Parishioners pledged \$1,836,335 to the campaign. That is 92% of our goal (\$1,996,411)! Sixty percent of the pledges made and fulfilled by families in the parish, will come right back to [St. Mary](#). If you have not yet, please prayerfully consider the information you've received and about the campaign. Know that whatever pledge you can make will be received with gratitude. Pledge cards can be placed in the collection baskets at Mass, or handed to the deacons, seminarians, Fr. Linn or myself. They may also be turned in at the parish office. Thank you for your support. - Msgr. Shecterle

### Calendar Raffle Winners

Congratulations to these **\$30 raffle winners** drawn on Nov. 9th: *Addy Stanek, Lance and Angie Tappa, Josh Stanek, and Therese Bierat.*

And a special congrats to this **\$150 winner** drawn on Nov. 11th: *Stella McCabe*

Thank you for your support!

### In the Community

*\*If you know of local events/programs and want them to be added here, please email [mccabeh@smps.school](mailto:mccabeh@smps.school). Thank you!*

[Nov. Hot Lunch Menu](#)      [Change of Dismissal](#)

[2022-23 Academic Calendar](#)      [Scrip Schedule](#)

[2022-23 Home & School Calendar](#)      [Lunchroom Volunteer Sign Up Link](#)

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