



CHALLENGING MINDS

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Dear Parents,

REPORT CARDS: Report cards for students in grades 1-8 were emailed home today. If you do not see the email in your inbox, please check your junk/spam folders. It might be a good idea to whitelist this email address to make sure you don't miss any of our school notifications: notification@target.brightarrow.com. If you cannot locate the email with your child's report card, please contact the school office.

OTHER IMPORTANT COMMUNICATIONS: From time to time, we will send out text notifications/reminders to you through our notification system. This type of notification is particularly effective [when school is cancelled](#) due to inclement weather as we do not always receive timely notification from the school districts. A TEST text message was sent out at 1:20 PM today. If you received this text message, no action is required. If you did NOT receive this text message and you wish to opt-in to future text notifications, you will need to text "YES" to 87569. If you wish to unsubscribe from text notifications at any time in the future, simply type "STOP" to 87569.

SCHOOL CLOSING DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER: As we move into winter it is a good idea to carefully review the [School Closing Policy](#) located in the [Family Handbook](#) on our school website. If the Menomonee Falls OR Germantown districts cancel school, then St. Mary is cancelled as well. Notification of a school cancellation due to inclement weather will be posted on local TV stations and an announcement will be sent through our notification system.

HOT LUNCH NEWS: We received notification from the Menomonee Falls School District that due to staffing issues they will be suspending hot lunch service to all parochial schools, effective Feb. 11, 2022. During the transition time (Jan 3 – Feb 11) they will only offer cold meals that can be prepared the day before. Please see the attached menu for those options. Members of the School Committee and I will be meeting on Tuesday, December 14 to discuss some options for the remainder of the school year.

CALENDAR OF CASH: Prior to Thanksgiving you received a letter regarding the annual Calendar of CASH raffle. We need every family to sell or purchase five calendars. If you need more than five Calendars you can pick them up at the school and parish offices or after all Masses, this weekend. *Did I mention they make great stocking stuffers?*

CHRISTMAS MUSICAL: The K5-1st grade students will be performing *The Night Shift before Christmas & the Nativity* on Thursday, December 16 at 6:30 p.m. Spectators and performers should enter through the Activity Center doors which will be opened at 6:00 p.m. If you are planning to attend the Christmas Musical, [please RSVP by noon](#) on Monday, December 13, to help us determine if we will be able accommodate everyone. The performance will not be livestreamed, but it will be professionally recorded. We greatly appreciate your monetary donations the night of the play to help us cover production and royalty costs.

ACTION NEEDED: The USCCB is asking for your help in urging Members of Congress to ensure that the Build Back Better Act does not exclude Catholic schools from childcare and preschool programs. Please [click here](#) for more information and to voice your support in this effort.

Faithfully,

Linda Joyner

13 [Blood Drive](#), 12:30-7pm

15 School Liturgy, 8:10am

16 [Christmas Musical](#)
1pm dress rehearsal
6:30pm Performance

17 Spelling Bee

22 Wear Your Favorite
Sweater Today

23 Christmas Break begins



Jan 4 School resumes

[View Full Calendar](#)**New COVID Cases**

11/22	11/29	12/06
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Fr. Mike on Waiting for
Christmas**The Season of Giving**

Speaking of the Holidays, **St. Mary's Calendar Raffle** is a great stocking stuffer or hostess gift. Families are asked to sell/purchase a minimum five-pack of calendars. Additional raffle tickets are available in the school and parish offices. [Click here for further details](#). And check below to see this week's winners from last years sale.

Calendar Raffle Winners

Congratulations to these \$30 raffle winners drawn on December 8th: **Sherry Bahlert, Larry Rocolo, Marie Welch and Jon Jurgenson**. Congrats to this \$250 winner drawn on December 10th: **Joshua Stanek**.

Attention Parents and High School Students

Volunteer opportunities for the 5 – 8th grade, Boys and Girls basketball league and tournament games. Help is needed with Admissions and Concessions. Only requirement is the volunteer must be high school age or older. Please sign up through [this link](#).

**Christmas Musical, December 16**

St. Mary's K5, 1st & 2nd grade student present "The Night Shift before Christmas". [Join us and other 'night-owls'](#) at Bethlehem's only 24-hour roadside restaurant, the Falafel House! R.S.V.P appreciated.

**Dress for the Weather**

We believe that recess is critically important to the mental and physical well-being of children. Whenever possible, students will play outside for recess as a break from indoor classroom activities. Therefore, when the weather permits and the windchill is above zero, student will play outside. Please make sure to send your children to school with proper winter clothing.

**Inclement Weather / School Closing**

Emergency school closings may be necessary due to severe weather conditions. The school will [automatically close when](#)

