Mission Statement

The Mission of St. Mary of the Lakes School is to provide a program, both academically challenging and spiritually enriching, that prepares students for lives of leadership and service guided by Catholic values.

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Important Links

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Calendar

Monday, January 15
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
School Closed
Teacher Professional Development
MLK Service Day Meals Marathon
SMLS Cafeteria (9:00AM - 12:00PM)

Tuesday, January 16

Wednesday, January 17
Holy Cross Future Lancers Information Session at 7:00PM
(in the Holy Cross High School Auditorium)

Thursday, January 18
School Mass at 9:00AM (Auditorium)
All are welcome to attend
Mission Club Meeting (3:00PM - 4:00PM)
Bake Sale ($1.00 per treat)
Supporting Local Animal Shelters

Friday, January 19
Bake Sale ($1.00 per treat)
Supporting Local Animal Shelters
Monday, January 22
Lunch Token Sales
(Click here for Token Order Form)
SMLS Carnival Meeting at 7:00PM
SMLS Parish Meeting Room

Tuesday, January 23

Wednesday, January 24
Cub Scouts Meeting
(6:15PM - 7:30PM)
Auditorium

Thursday, January 25

Friday, January 26
Progress Reports (K - 8)

Saturday, January 27

Sunday, January 28
Catholic Schools Week
Mass (12:15PM)
OPEN HOUSE (1:00PM - 3:00PM)
All are welcome to attend!

SMLS Fundraisers & Events

'Thank you' to all of those who generously donated and volunteered to make the 2018 MLK Tournament a success this weekend!

Have you heard about SML’s brand new Referral Program? Our current families are our biggest cheerleaders! Refer a new family to our school and you can be eligible for a tuition credit for the 2018-2019 school year!

Click here for Referral Forms.
SMLS was accredited in 2013 and has had two school visits:

- School Year 2015-2016
- School Year 2016-2017

Click here to read an important message from JoAnn Tier, Superintendent of Catholic Schools for the Diocese of Trenton.

Parish Website:
www.smlparish.org

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ONLINE BULLETIN

Children’s Church
During the 10:30AM Mass for 4 & 5 year olds in the Emmaus Center. Please meet in the Conference Room at 10:15AM.

Prayer & Bible Study
Thursdays 9:45AM-11AM

SMLS Carnival - Week of June 25th, 2018

Next SMLS Carnival Meeting is Monday, January 22nd, 2018 at 7:00PM in the SMLS Parish Meeting Room

If anyone would like to volunteer to head a committee or would like to find out more information, please contact Maria King at mking@eventcrazy.com.

Please remember, a successful Carnival is key to the success of SMLS!

3-year-old Pre-K Enrollment

For the 2018-2019 School Year Now Open to the Public!
We are excited to announce that SMLS will have a new 3-year-old Pre-K program beginning in September of the 2018-2019 school year!

On Tuesday, January 2nd, we opened enrollment to the public!

If interested, please contact:
Mrs. Catherine Gillespie
Director of Admissions and Advancement
(609) 654-2546 x227
cgillespiesmlschool.org

Pre-K information is now available on our Admissions page.

Thank you for the interest many of you have expressed so far, and please spread the news to your friends and neighbors!

Save the Date!

Catholic Schools Week 2018
January 28th - February 3rd

As in previous years, we are once again asking for your help as we begin our
Catholic Schools Week Celebration and host our Annual Open House.

**Hospitality items we are in need of (by Grade) for the Open House are:**

- **Kindergarten**: 1 package of juice boxes (100% fruit juice)
- **Grade 1**: 1 package of juice boxes (100% fruit juice)
- **Grade 2**: Dessert of your choice (ie: cookies, brownies, cupcakes etc.)
- **Grade 3**: Dessert of your choice (ie: cookies, brownies, cupcakes etc.)
- **Grade 4**: Dessert of your choice (ie: cookies, brownies, cupcakes etc.)
- **Grade 5**: Bottled Water
- **Grade 6**: Bottled Water
- **Grade 7**: Individually Wrapped Snacks (ie: chips, gold fish, pretzels, etc.)
- **Grade 8**: Individually Wrapped Snacks (ie: chips, gold fish, pretzels, etc.)

**NOTE:** If you send in desserts or snacks, please make sure they are nut free.

Items can be sent in with your child from January 22nd – January 26th. Please ask your child to bring the items down to the kitchen before the start of classes (except kindergarten). For those sending in baked goods, we would ask you to please send them in on Friday, January 26th or you can bring the baked goods in prior to the start of the 12:15 p.m. Mass on Sunday, January 28th. There will be a table setup by the kitchen entrance to the school auditorium for baked goods only. Please make sure items are sealed and/or on a disposable plate.

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**CSW Volunteers Needed!**

We need volunteers to assist with the refreshments and setup for the Open House. Volunteers will be needed before and after Mass and at the end of the Open House.

Please contact pta@smlschool.org to volunteer!

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**CSW Family Project**

"Hearts to Lead, Hands to Serve"

[Click here for details on the CSW Family Project & Templates]
Thank you all for your continued generosity and support!

SML PTA

Catholic Schools Week Activities will include:
- Student Appreciation Day
- Parent Appreciation Day
- Teacher Appreciation Day
- Contests
- Raffles

SMLS PTA Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night!
at the Mount Laurel Chick-Fil-A
in Centerton Square

Wednesday, January 31st
6:00PM - 9:00PM

Join us for food and fun! Come support St. Mary of the Lakes School and up to 25% of tonight's sales will be donated accordingly.

Click here for SMLS PTA Spirit Night Flyer!

Please bring it with you to make sure that SMLS receives credit for your order!

Do you have any PHOTOS FOR THE YEARBOOK?
Photos may be sent to yearbook2018sml@gmail.com
Any questions may be directed to Angela Murphy at amurphy010@verizon.net.

Thank you!

St. Mary of the Lakes Drama Club is excited to announce...

...that we will be partnering with the professional production team from the Ritz Theatre Company, Haddon Heights, to lead our students in performing a top-quality production this April in our very own SML auditorium. We are privileged to have Bruce Curless, a two-time Mid-Atlantic Emmy Award winner, directing our student production of The Little Mermaid Jr.
Fill out online registration form below, BEFORE February 5th.

Auditions (Grades 5-8) will be held Saturday, February 10th.

Please bring your printed out registration form, completed audition form, a head shot in any size and a $75 check payable to SML School for student fees. All students who try out will be offered a part.

**PLAY PERFORMANCES:**
**April 27th, 28th & 29th**

Go to [https://www.smlschool.org/drama-club](https://www.smlschool.org/drama-club) for all forms

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**SMLS PTA brings back CASINO NIGHT!**

A Night in Monte Carlo
Friday, March 9th, 2018
7:00PM - 11:00PM
Medford Lakes Country Club

Please make checks payable to “St. Mary of the Lakes School PTA” and send your Casino Night ticket reservation form along with payment to SMLS Main Office marked “Casino Night Tickets” no later than February 26, 2018.

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Casino Night Invitation and RSVP Form

Casino Night Tombola Basket Contribution Form
Casino Night Sponsorship Form

If anyone would like more information or would like to volunteer, please contact Jessica Jones at Jess@LPSNET.COM
SMLS PTA 5K COLOR RUN & WALK

Saturday, April 21st
at Freedom Park
More details to follow!

LOVE WAWA HOAGIES?
Support the 8th Grade!

Buy WAWA COUPONS for Shorti Hoagies for $4.00 each. That’s $0.59 cents cheaper than the store!

Can be used anytime:
* Friend or family gathering
* Great coaches gifts
* Great Holiday gift ideas – bus driver, stocking stuffers, friends
* Keep in car for last minute meals

Click here for Wawa Coupon Order Form. Please make check payable to SML. Return to Main Office Wawa Coupons c/o 8th grade. Any questions contact: Denise Tamburro 609-678-7877 or jdtamburro@gmail.com
Vets In Training - New Session!
(Grades K - 8)

Click here for Vets In Training Registration Forms

Registration is on a 1st come 1st serve basis.
Do Not Delay! Fill out form, cut on dotted line and
Return forms with check or cash
by Thursday, Jan. 18th

Cost: $100.00 per student
CASH or Check payable to: SML School

Gross Out Chemistry!
For 1st through 4th Graders

Gross Out Chemistry is a blend of experiments where 1st - 4th graders will learn about chemical reactions, optical illusions, viscosity, fluorescence, and phosphorescence. Get your hands dirty making quicksand, slime, flubber, a foam machine, bubbles and more.

Starting Monday, January 22nd for 6 weeks!
Click here to register for Gross Out Chemistry.

Weekly Programs
(Pre-Registration is Required)

- Bricks for Kids (Grades 1 - 4)
- Vets in Training (Grades K - 2, Grades 3 - 4, Grades 5 - 8)
- Robotics Fall 2017 (Grades 5 - 8)
A La Carte Science 1-Day Programs
(Pre-Registration is Required)

Annual SMLS Science Fair - Thursday, April 19, 2017

The SML Science Fair is a school-wide (K-8), non-competitive event. It is an outstanding opportunity to learn, create and present independent group research.

Support the Science Fair
Through one of our many fundraisers!

Student, Staff, and Alumni News

We wanted to take just a moment to offer a heartfelt thank you to everyone who so generously contributed to the End of Year Christmas Gift for our Staff, Administration and Teachers. Over 55 members of our SML family were acknowledged and thanked with a lovely luncheon and holiday gift.

To all those who helped to make the luncheon a success and to those families who so graciously gave their monetary donations, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

We have received a number of inquiries from those who missed the deadline to contribute towards the gifts and were hoping to make a donation.

If you are interested in donating please feel free to send an envelope in to the Main Office, marked SML PTA. We appreciate the inquiries and we completely
understand how busy the holiday season can be.

We hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful holiday and we are looking forward to an exciting 2018 together!

Thank you again,
SML PTA

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Holy Cross
Future Lancers

*Information Session*

The Leadership Team for the NEW Holy Cross invites you to attend an informational evening.

Come and meet the people who have been working behind the scenes for the last three months to keep Holy Cross moving forward. We will inform you of the progress and plans to keep the only Catholic High School in Burlington County thriving well into the future.

Please join us in the Holy Cross Auditorium
**Wednesday, January 17th at 7:00PM**

5035 Route 130 South
Delran, NJ 08075
MLK Service Day Meals Marathon

Today, SMLS Students, Parents and Staff volunteered with YES for the 2nd annual MLK Meals Marathon on the National Day of Service - January 15, 2018. Not only did they prepare and bag hundreds of meals, but they also helped make fleece blankets for those in need. Thank you to all who participated and made this day of service so special!
Are you an Active Military Member?

Through a generous anonymous donation, we are able to provide tuition support to those active military members who have children at St. Mary of the Lakes School. Please click here to provide us with information. Many thanks to those serving our country and those who wish to honor them.

Weekly Update Submissions

Please send all submissions for future Weekly Updates to weeklyupdate@smlschool.org

Thank you!

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