



Weekly News for the Week of October 5, 2020

This Week at SMS

Monday, October 5th

- MAP testing Makeups

Tuesday, October 6th

- School Mass for Grades 6, 7, and 8

Wednesday, October 7th

Thursday, October 8th

- Magazine Drive Kick-off
- 3:00 Faculty Meeting

Friday, October 9th

- Project Based Learning Lesson for Grades 7 and 8

Upcoming Events

10/12: No School—Columbus Day

10/19—10/23 Saint Mary School celebrates Massachusetts STEM Week

10/20: Progress Reports sent home, Grades 4 -8

10/22 Dining for Dollars at Anzio's

10/30: Orange and Black Out of Uniform Day for all students



We hope you took a night off from cooking and took advantage of last week's Dining for Dollars event at

Mooyah. It was fun to see families enjoying their burgers, fries, and milkshakes!! Mark your calendars for the next Dining for Dollars event which will be at Anzio's Brick Oven Pizza in Northborough on October 22nd. Thank you to Amy McCormack for coordinating these fundraisers for Saint Mary School!

In place of our usual school-wide Masses that we attend each month during the 8:30 morning Mass, we will be scheduling separate Masses for individual cohorts of students. Starting this week, Father Mike or Father Javier will celebrate a private Mass during various afternoons in October. Children will wear masks and observe the social distance precautions that have been put into place for the church space.



The annual Magazine Drive is back this year, and has been reinvented to comply with the mandates we have put into place. The Magazine Drive is one of the major fundraisers of the SMPA. The Magazine Drive will kick off on Thursday, October 8th and end on October 19th. A packet of information will come home with your child and we hope each family will participate in some way to support the school.

EARLY MORNING DROP-OFF

We have a number of new families this year and want to review the arrival procedures in the morning.

- Children should not disembark from cars and enter the building until Mrs. MacDonough, Mrs. Dolan, or Mr. Moakley step outside for morning duty at 7:40 am.
- There are two lines of traffic and as often as possible please use the line of traffic closest to the main school building so that children are not crossing in front of other cars.
- Children who are in the second line of traffic should walk up to the teacher on duty who will assist them in crossing to the sidewalk.
- **If your child is unable to disembark from the car by themselves**, please do not get out of your car to help them. You should park your car in the lot and walk them to the teacher on duty.
- Cars should always enter the parking lot using the opening closest to the main building and exit the parking using the opening closest to the pastoral center.

Thank you for helping us to ensure the safety of our students during morning drop off.

Halloween

To ensure the continued safety of our students, we will be unable to hold our annual Halloween parade this year. Instead we will have an orange and black out-of-uniform day on Friday, October 30th.

