



# Weekly News for the Week of November 23, 2020

## This Week at SMS

### Monday, November 23rd

- Thanksgiving Mass at 1:30  
- Grades 6/7/8

### Tuesday, November 24th

- Thanksgiving Mass at 1:30 - Grades - K/1



1/25 - 11/29:  
Thanksgiving Break

## Upcoming Events

- 11/21 – 12/6: [SMPA Holiday Jingle Jog Fundraiser](#)
- 12/2: Trimester 1 ends, grades close!
- 12/3: Dining for Dollars at Dean Park Pizza
- 12/5: SMPA Fundraiser at Danielson's Flowers
- 12/10: Faculty Meeting, 3pm
- 12/11: Report Cards Sent Home

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## *Happy Principal's Day to Mrs. MacDonough!*

The students recognized Mrs. MacDonough and all that she does for our school by helping her celebrate Principal's Day on Wednesday. Each class contributed a page and illustration to a special book with this inscription:

**Dear Mrs. MacDonough,**

**We missed you so much when you were away.  
We missed the kindness you bring to school each day.  
We know that you traveled and needed rest, too.  
But we also wondered... what else did you do?**



The clever and funny responses made Mrs. MacDonough laugh, and she especially enjoyed the candy surprises she received from each class.

## A Thanksgiving Prayer

*O God, Bless us on this Thanksgiving.*

*We gather together separated by life-saving distancing, but united more than ever in spirit.*

*We know we are in a war against COVID-19 together, and the more together we are, the better and stronger we will emerge.*

*We know the challenges are enormous, whether we are in isolation with loved ones, or alone.*

*We are not people of fear; we are people of courage.*

*We are not people who protect our own safety; we are people who protect our neighbors' safety.*

*We are not people of greed; we are people of generosity.*

*We are your people God, giving and loving, wherever we are, whatever it costs*

*For as long as it takes.*

*Amen*



Don't forget to clean out those closets and support the 7th grade service project! Students who bring clean, gently used coats and winter garments will receive a ticket that will



be entered into a raffle for an out of uniform day. Due to Covid precautions, all items must be in a bag and labeled with the student's name. Click [here for the details.](#)

The first graders were so excited to meet with their seventh grade buddies on Wednesday afternoon. The buddies colored Turkey Glyphs that helped them learn more about each other's favorite things!



Celebrating Mass together is always a special time at Saint Mary School, even if we need to gather as cohorts instead of as a whole school. Congratulations to all of our Student Council Representatives who were pinned during the November Masses.

## Student Council 2020-2021

- Grade 1 – John Beaton, Kennedy Altif
- Grade 2 – Jackson Horvath, Grace Patterson
- Grade 3 – Sophia Buffone, Rachel Kassa
- Grade 4 – Sean Kelly, Kaitlyn Fontaine
- Grade 5 – James Dillon, Akshithaa (Akshu) Sivakumar
- Grade 6 – Ivan Wisuri, Nuala Cady-Melzer
- Grade 7 – Caleb Zhou, Audrey Scheffel
- Grade 8 – Adriana McNamara, Maria Nagaria