MATER CHRISTI SCHOOL

# MONDAY MESSAGES

## NOVEMBER 2, 2026

**LUNCH MENU**
**Monday 11/2** Beef Stroganoff with egg noodles & dinner roll
**Tuesday 11/3** Election Day - No School
**Wednesday 11/4** Meatball Subs (meatballs in marinara with melted cheese in hoagie roll)
**Thursday 11/5** Jambalaya with buttermilk biscuits. (chicken & chorizo in a cajun tomato sauce with rice & vegetables) (DF, GF w/o biscuit)
**Friday 11/6** Sausage, egg & cheese breakfast sandwiches on english muffins with hash browns.

**COMING SOON**
**November:**
3- Election Day- No School for All
4- Peter Pan Dress Rehearsal for All Cast Members- 9:30-11:30 a.m.
5 - Peter Pan Performance for All Students-9:30-11, Evening Performance -6 p.m.
6- Peter Pan Performance- 6 p.m.
11- Veterans' Day Prayer Service@ 8:15 a.m.
23- Mass of Thanksgiving- 8:30 and 10:00 a.m.
25-27- Thanksgiving Break
30- Advent Service- 8:30 a.m.

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT DATES**
The dates for our Christmas concerts have been finalized and are as follows:

- Band/Chorus- December 10th@6:30 p.m.
- EEC/K- December 15th@2:30 p.m.
- Grades 1-8- December 17th@6:00 p.m.

**PETER PAN REHEARSAL & PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE**

**Monday 11/2 - First Dress Rehearsal**
**3:00-6:00 pm** All Cast and Crew in Gym

**Wednesday 11/4 - Second Dress Rehearsal**

**9:30-11:30 am** All Cast and Crew in Gym

**Thursday 11/5 - Performances**

**8:45 am** call time, **9:30 am** performance

**5:00 pm** call time, **6:00 pm** performance

**Friday 11/6 - Performances**

**5:00 pm** call time, **6:00 pm** performance

**ART/LEGO/MAKER CLUBS**

Attention Parents:

There are a few spots left in our November & December Session 2 clubs, which begin next week:

- Mondays, 3–4:15 p.m., *Art Club with Connor Torpey* Register Here!
- Mondays, 3–4:15 p.m., *LEGO Free Build with Ms. C* Register Here!
- Tuesdays, 3–4:15 .m. LEGO AI Club w*ith Ms. C* Register Here!
- Wednesdays, 3-4:15 p.m. Maker Club with Ms. C Register Here!

Check out the attached handout for further information. Hope to see you soon!

**PTO**

🎃 **THANK YOU FOR A SPOOKTACULAR TRUNK OR TREAT!** 👻

A huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who came out for Trunk or Treat! A special shoutout to all the families who decorated trunks, the 8th graders for putting on the haunted Carnival, and everyone who volunteered their time, and helped make the evening so much fun for our students! Events like these wouldn't be possible without the amazing support of our Mater Christi community!

💙 **UPCOMING PTO EVENTS & REMINDERS**

📸 **November 7th & 8th – Family Photo Opportunity**
Just in time for the holidays! Beltrami's Studio is offering family photo sessions at a **special discounted rate** for our Mater Christi families! This is a great opportunity to capture some beautiful family memories. **Please see the attached flyer for details and to sign up click here**

📅 **November 10th – PTO Meeting**
We'd love to see you there! All parents are welcome to attend and get involved!

🦃 **November 16th – Turkey Trot**
Join us for our school-wide Turkey Trot following early dismissal!

🥫 **November 2nd–16th – Turkey Trot Food Drive**
We're kicking off our food drive on November 2nd! Students are encouraged to bring in nonperishable food items to help support families in need this Thanksgiving season.

🏆 **THE GOLDEN TURKEY CHALLENGE!**
Let the friendly competition begin! The class that collects the most food items will take home the coveted **GOLDEN TURKEY AWARD!** 🦃 🏆

Thank you for continuing to support our PTO and helping us make Mater Christi such a wonderful community! 💙

**MCS SPORTS**

**Uniforms Return**

If you have not returned your uniform there are bins clearly marked in the hallway next to the Student Care Center (Mr. Vincent's office) Please return the washed uniforms by Friday November 6th. Thank you!!!

**Thank you**

A huge thank you first and foremost to our dedicated and amazing coaches. What a great Fall season. Secondly, an equally big thank you to all the staff, teachers and parents that participated and helped out during the End of Fall Season Celebration. What a great day and what a blessing it is to have such amazing members of this community.

And finally, a thank you to our student-athletes. Throughout this season they lead with gratitude and love, grew as teammates and athletes, remembered to have fun and overall made us so proud of them on and off the field. Awesome.

**Winter Sports**

Winter sports sign-up is closed. A communication to families that have signed up will go out next week with the schedule and more information about the season ahead.
***We are still in need of a boys A and girls B coach if you know of anyone who would be interested please send them my way.****

With Gratitude,
Jeff

**MERCY COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY**

Hope Lodge is hosting a trick-or-treat from room to room on Monday, October 26th starting at 5:00 pm. The Anker family, who are regular volunteers at the Hope Lodge, has invited members of the MCS community to join them in dressing up, trick-or-treating, and bringing some Halloween fun and joy to guests/patients and their caregivers who are staying at the Hope Lodge while receiving treatment locally. This is a wonderful service opportunity particularly for some of our younger students and their families. Parking is limited. Please email me at jmoore@materchristischool.net if your family is interested in this service opportunity, and I'll provide RSVPs to Hope Lodge. Thank you for your generosity!

**TABLE OF REMEMBRANCE**

In the Catholic tradition, November is a month to remember and pray for loved ones who have journeyed home to their eternal rest. November begins with the Solemnity of All Saints on November 1st and the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed on November 2nd.

On the Solemnity of All Saints we are reminded of a "universal call of holiness," and are encouraged to strive towards holiness in our own unique way. On this day, we remember and pray for deceased loved ones who, while not officially canonized by the Church, are indeed saints whose witness has blessed and enriched our lives. On the Commemoration of
All the Faithful Departed, we are encouraged to pray for all loved ones who have died, trusting in God's unconditional love and mercy.

We would like to extend an invitation to our community as we honor and pray for our loved ones who have journeyed home to God. A "Table of Remembrance" will be set up in the Chapel of the Sacred Heart from Monday, November 2nd November 1st to Tuesday, November 24th (the day before the Thanksgiving break) and we invite students and families to bring in a framed photo or photos of deceased family members and friends for the Table of Remembrance. Please ensure the photo is labelled on the back of the

frame with your family name and child's homeroom so that we can be sure to return these sacred and cherished pictures to you.

If your family is interested in participating in this meaningful community event, your children may bring your photos to school on Monday, November 2nd, or any day throughout our observance of this tradition. Homeroom teachers will ensure that your photos get to me (Mr. Moore) to be placed on the "Table of Remembrance." Thank you for participating in this beloved tradition and please know that we will remember your beloved deceased family members and friends in morning prayer throughout the month of November.

**VOLUNTEER WITH FOUR WINDS**
Four Winds is a nature-based program led by parent volunteers for kindergarten through fourth-grade students. It's a fun way to meet other parents, learn about nature, and spend time in your child's classroom. You do not need to have previous teaching
experience or a science background!

Throughout the year, there are four Four Winds trainings and four classroom visits. The trainings are scheduled on Thursday mornings in the library, after drop-off, and last about an hour. The classroom visits are scheduled with your teacher and last about an hour and a half with set up/clean up. Training sessions will teach you everything you need to know to teach the lesson and all materials are prepared for you.

**Our next training is Thursday, November 12th! We will be learning about our next unit; Rocks & Minerals!**

If you are interested in getting involved or have any questions, please reach out to our 4Winds Coordinator, Nicole Farley (nicolecfarley@gmail.com)

**NOTES FROM THE LIBRARY**
Thank you to those who have already purchased some of the amazing books on our list!! If you have purchased a book or two, please let us know so we can properly thank you (library@materchristischool.net)!

Here is the list again if you would like to support the library:

MCS Library Wish List!

**BE A KNIGHT FOR THE DAY**
Friday, 11/6 or 2/5 from 9-11:15 at Rice
8th grade students are invited to spend a half day at Rice: attend short classes, meet our teachers, connect with other prospective students, and experience the energy of Rice firsthand. Find all the details here: http://rmhsvt.org/knight-for-a-day

**RICE INFORMATION SESSION**
**Explore All That Rice Memorial High School Has to Offer!**
**Information Session | December 9 at 5:30 PM**
**Location: MCS, New Building- Music Center**

Join us for an opportunity to learn more about Rice Memorial High School and what makes it a special

place for students to learn, grow, and thrive. Hear directly from the Rice Leadership Team, ask questions, and explore the opportunities available to your student as you consider whether Rice is the right fit for your family. We look forward to seeing you there!

**2026-2027 YEARBOOKS NOW ON SALE!!**

The **Mater Christi 2026-2027 yearbooks are on sale!!** Purchase a wonderful keepsake of our year together. All students in grades PS-8 are included, as are all the special moments we celebrate together as a community throughout the year! The yearbook is truly a great memento to look back on. The link to purchase directly from Jostens is below.

Click to Purchase the 2027 Mater Christi Yearbook  Questions? Email Ms. King

Best regards,

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