



MONDAY MESSAGES

SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

LUNCH

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IMPORTANT DATES

- Monday, September 23 - Days & Dreams, full cast and crew meeting, 3-4p in the library
- Tuesday, September 24 - Mercy Day Mass, 1:30p in the Chapel, 8TF leading
- Thursday, September 26 - Picture Retake Day
- Friday, September 27 - Friday Morning Prayer, 7:15a in the Chapel
- Thursday, October 3 - Our MCS Night, 6-7:30p, MCS gym
- Thursday, October 3 - Blessing of the Animals, 3p in the Chapel
- **Friday, October 4 - Grandparent's Day, 11:30A DISMISSAL**
- **Friday, October 11 - NO SCHOOL**
- October 14-18: Paper Pie Book Fair
- **October 17-18, NO SCHOOL, PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES**
- **Tuesday, November 5 - NO SCHOOL, ELECTION DAY**

PICTURE RETAKE DAY - THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Picture retake day is scheduled for this Thursday, September 26. If your student was absent on the original date, please make sure they have their order form to their homeroom teacher by Wednesday, September 25. Photos will be taken mid-morning, around 10a.

Students getting retakes may follow the dress-up day guidelines found in the family handbook.

SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB

Mr. Moore requests that MCS families (grandparents included!) and staff interested in reading and discussing Sabbath by Wayne Muller contact him at jmoore@materchristischool.net by September 27th so that he can plan accordingly for the first gathering and discussion which will take place in November.

Mr. Moore will be in touch with details very soon.

DAYS & DREAMS MUSICAL

Days and Dreams FULL CAST AND CREW Kickoff meeting from 3-4pm in the library on Monday!

Interested parent volunteers, we'd love to see you there too!

See everyone then!

Mrs Farley and Ms. King

PTO NEWS - APPRECIATION BREAKFAST SIGN-UPS NEEDED!

Join us in thanking teachers and staff with a Teacher appreciation breakfast on Wednesday, September 25, 2024.

In order to make this possible, we need volunteers! Please see the sign up below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0945A5AE2DA5F4C70-51245811-teacher>

MATER CHRISTI CHRISTMAS MARKET

Calling all crafters and artisans in the MCS community! Applications are officially open for our new holiday event, the Mater Christi Christmas Market. If you or someone you know has a craft business or hobby and would like to reserve a table, please fill out the following Google Form to begin the application process. If you have any questions please email PTO member Nicole Farley for more information at nicolecfarley@gmail.com.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdPQgzlSYOoU1SOTQbLWnY7b_aJCf0-U6cfqsMmLx3nsYYQXQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

OUR MCS EVENING

All MCS parents are encouraged to join us for [**Our MCS - A Look at Mater Christi School: Past, Present, and Future**](#) on Thursday, October 3 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm in the MCS gym. We hope to see every Mater Christi School family represented for this important, adults-only evening.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS SERVICE

Please join us for our beloved annual Blessing of the Animals prayer service **Thursday, October 3rd** to celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of ecology and animals.

All are welcome to join us in celebrating the goodness and beauty of God's creatures in our beautiful Chapel of the Sacred Heart with a brief prayer service. We invite you to come directly up the front steps of the Mount St. Mary's convent, and proceed to the Chapel where we will begin the service shortly after 3:00 pm.

MCS community members are invited to bring pet(s) or pictures of pet(s) for the prayer service, and each animal will receive an individual blessing. Please reach out to Mr. Moore at jmoore@materchristischool.net if you have any questions.

GRANDPARENTS DAY ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

We are excited to welcome grandparents and special friends for a celebration with our school community on Friday, October 4, 2024.

- If a student's grandparents are unable to attend, a special friend or other relative is welcome. Due to space limitations, both for parking and in our gym, we request that parents do not attend this event. (Exceptions can be made, such as if a grandparent needs assistance.)
- Our celebration will begin at 9:00 in the gym, featuring a program and bingo. After this, grandparents and special guests are invited to visit their students' classrooms. Students will be dismissed at 11:30.
- Grandparents who are unable to join us for this event are welcome to send cards to the school, to be given to their grandchildren.
- Finally, we hope you will help us create a video featuring photos of grandparents and their grandchildren, to be shared following Grandparents Day. **We invite parents or grandparents to send up to 4 photos to msenesac@materchristischool.net by Friday, September 20.**

ATHLETICS UPDATE

Happy fall everyone,

Our Fall sports teams are just getting into the second week of games but it is already time to start thinking about Winter sports. During the Winter season we have middle school basketball teams for both boys and girls.

This year, we would like to determine if there is enough interest from our students (and from opposing schools) to also have 5th grade basketball team(s) (either single sex or co-ed). If there is interest then we would like to try to create a 5th grade basketball season, which would likely be abbreviated compared to the middle school teams.

Please complete this survey to indicate your student(s) is/are interested in participating in MCS basketball this Winter. **Please complete the survey by Wednesday, September 25th.**

<https://forms.gle/vQqfWYQRRmwoYrY98>

Thank you and Go Bulldogs!

LIBRARY NEWS

2024-2025 MCS YEARBOOKS FOR SALE:

Get your 2024-2025 MCS yearbook now! \$48 using the direct link below.

Jostens direct order link: [ORDER YOUR 2025 MATER CHRISTI YEARBOOK](#)

YEARBOOK PHOTOS NEEDED:

Ms. King is looking for "What I did this Summer" pictures for the yearbook. If you would like to submit 1-2 photos (per child), please follow this link <https://photos.jostens.com/AE86RD> Thanks so much!

SPONSOR A BOOK SERIES:

I am looking for families who would like to “Sponsor a Book Series”. The library needs to replace some well-worn, much loved series, complete some series, and add a few new book series that are being begged for by students (in all age groups).

If your family would like to purchase and sponsor one (or more) of these series, please email king@materchristischool.net. Thank you so very much!

BOOK FAIR SAVE THE DATE:

Paper Pie Book Fair - October 14-18 (Be on the lookout for more info!)

Best regards,

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