

MONDAY MESSAGES NOVEMBER 17, 2025

LUNCH

Here is the link to this week's <u>lunch menu</u>.

Monday 11/17 cheddar, broccoli & potato soup (V, GF) with dinner rolls. Tuesday 11/18 Taco Tuesday. Hard or soft shell tacos with all of the sides. Wednesday 11/19 Grilled cheese & tomato soup (V) Thursday 11/20 Beef stroganoff with egg noodles, green beans, & dinner rolls.

Friday 11/20 Beef stroganoff with egg noodles, green beans, & dinner rolls. **Friday** 11/21 Pancakes, VT maple syrup, sausage, hash browns, & orange juice

IMPORTANT DATES

- Wednesday, November 19th PTO sponsored Teacher Appreciation Breakfast
- **Friday, November 21st** Morning prayer will be held this morning in the chapel beginning at 7:15 a.m. All are welcome. Trimester 1 closes. Report Cards go live on December 10th.
- Saturday, November 22nd PTO Christmas Market- 1-4 p.m.
- November 26-28th No School, Thanksgiving Break

SCHOOL CALENDAR CHANGE!!

We will NOT have school on Tuesday, March 3, 2026. Please mark your calendars.

(This represents a CHANGE to our original calendar, which reads that school is in session on that day.).

March 3, 2026 is a voting day and our school is a voting/polling station. We do not want to commingle voting and school. An updated school calendar is attached and can also be found on the MCS website under "Quick Links."

THANKSGIVING GIFT CARD DRIVE - PLEASE DONATE!

Joseph's House, a Catholic outreach center in Burlington that serves people from all walks of life, has called upon our community to assist them in helping at least one hundred local families in need to enjoy a nourishing meal this Thanksgiving.

Mercy Community Service is hosting our annual Hannaford's Gift Card Drive for Thanksgiving to help ensure that local families who are struggling to make ends meet as the cost of food (and seemingly everything else) continues to increase--can feast, celebrate, and give thanks with their loved ones on Thanksgiving Day, too.

Last year, our generous community donated gifts totaling \$5,555.00 to families in need. We were humbled and moved by the generosity of our school community, and so were the staff of Joseph's House. They were able to use our donations to assist families for Christmas as well.

This year, Mater Christi School families are encouraged to donate Hannaford's gift cards in the \$30.00-\$50.00 range to the main office in the middle school building, and in Mr. Moore's office in the elementary building from now until Friday, November 21st when the gift cards will be delivered to Joseph's House.

Thank you, as always, for your compassion. We are confident that our response to this drive will bless those in need and surprise the staff at Joseph's House once again! Please contact Mr. Moore if you have any questions.

DONATIONS FOR MAKERSPACE - A MESSAGE FROM MS. COMPAGNA:

I am working on a project to restock the Makerspace. I have created an Art Lab, which will provide art-themed activities with the elementary teachers during the school day, and an after school art club which will begin in the New Year. We will continue to utilize the Makerspace for STEAM-themed activities as well. Here are some items that I would love to incorporate into (or increase the supply of in) the Makerspace. Thank you!

MCS ATHLETICS

Basketball season for 5th-8th graders will begin next week. All families of 5th-8th grade students should be receiving an email with more details soon.

Girls first practice will be Monday 11/17 from 3:15-4:45

Boys first practice will be Tuesday 11/18 from 3:15-4:45

The deadline to register is Tuesday, November 25th and the participation fee is \$200 (paid by cash or check made out to Mater Christi School). If you have any questions, please contact Michelle of Jeff at athletics@materchristischool.net

Fall sports uniform returns:

Please remember to wash and return all fall sports uniforms. There is a box in the middle school lobby where students can drop them off. It is really helpful for us if there is a name attached to the uniform. Thank you!

DAYS & DREAMS

Details on the cast party with dress down day will be coming soon to families of students who participated!

MCS PTO

Teacher and staff appreciation breakfast!

THIS Wednesday, November 19th!

Please join us in thanking our amazing teachers and staff with a monthly breakfast. Please consider signing up using the link below. Thank you!

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

Christmas Market:

Join us for the 2nd annual Mater Christi School Christmas Market THIS SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND! Located in our school gymnasium, from 1-4 pm. The market will feature local vendors like Elli Parr, Crazy cotton candy lady, paper pie books, and more. Also, local community crafters will be selling a variety of goods, including jewelry, purses, socks, honey, pottery, soaps, baked goods, food, handmade decor, Christmas ornaments, and more! Please help spread the word to your family and friends to come and join this wonderful event and get their holiday shopping done early! Admission is FREE!

This year, you can support our PTO by purchasing a raffle ticket at the market for a chance to win some amazing prizes, which include:

- Tickets to see "A Charlie Brown Christmas" with our very own Ms. King!
- Polar Express Tickets for Saturday, December 6th
- A \$500 gift card to the Superstore in Williston
- Body Lab & Orange Theory class Passes
- Items from Elli Parr, Monelle, and Vermont Home & Garden
- Gift cards to the Shelburne Country Store
- And more!

We need your help to make this market a success, please see the sign up genius link below for more details! Thank you! https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F48A8AC29A0FFCF8-60301046-mater

Christmas Movie Night!

Featuring: The Grinch (the animated one)

The PTO will be hosting its annual MCS family Christmas movie night on Friday, December 5th, at 5pm in the gymnasium. This is a FREE event and all are welcome!! Free Pizza will be served! Bring a water bottle, sleeping bag, bean bag, etc, and wear your Christmas pajamas or ugly Christmas sweater!

Please make sure all kids come with a parent/adult. Thank You!

MCS SKI CLUB - Let's meet on the slopes!

Hello Mater Christi families! I, (Paige Rolletta, 4R) would love to set up a day of the week for those interested in skiing with other Mater Christi families this winter at Cochran's Ski Area. You would need to provide your own skis and purchase your own membership at Cochran's. This would just simply be a day of the week we could all meet up and ski together. Please fill out this **SURVEY** to gauge number of families interested and what day of the week works best for most. Hope to see you on the slopes!

Best regards,

Kimberly Price & Mary Beth Sartorelli

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