



# *St. Michael School*

## Fall River, Massachusetts

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### **Important Dates:**

November 28th - Faculty/Staff Meeting - No extra help

December 1st - Early Dismissal/Professional Development, dismissal at 11:30 AM

December 3rd - Mary Wick Scholarship Luncheon - 1 PM

December 4th - PTO Meeting, 6:30 PM

December 4th - December 8th - SMS Book Fair (Scholastic Book Fair)

### **A note from Mr. Klein, Principal**

As we return from a restful Thanksgiving break, let us carry the spirit of gratitude into the Advent season. May this time be a reflection of hope, joy, and unity as we embark on the journey toward the holidays. Let's continue to support and uplift one another in the true spirit of togetherness. Wishing you all a meaningful Advent season ahead.

### **Advent Parish Mission with Dcn. Christopher Paul. 6:00-7:15 PM (Rosary at 5:30 PM)**

“A Righteous Man” - Monday, November 27, 2023 - St. Michael Church

“Glory to God in the Highest” - Tuesday, November 28, 2023 - St. Joseph Church

### **Early Dismissal - Professional Development - Friday, December 1, 2023**

This is a friendly reminder that we have an early dismissal scheduled for Friday, December 1st. As we invest in our continued growth and learning, our school staff will participate in professional development. Dismissal will occur at 11:30 AM allowing ample time for staff to engage in the scheduled professional development activities. No aftercare.

### **Mary Wick Scholarship Luncheon - Sunday, December 3, 2023**

On Sunday, December 3rd, the Parish and School will host a Luncheon to benefit the Mary Wick Scholarship Fund. Mrs. Wick had a large part in organizing the annual Christmas Nativity that was held at this Christmas luncheon in the past. The luncheon begins at 1 PM and tickets include a buffet, with soup, salad, cod fish, chicken, potatoes, rice, coffee, and dessert. After lunch, there will be a Live Nativity scene with students from our school, and a visit from Santa Claus. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for children 12 and under. Please see the attached flyer or call the parish or school office for tickets.

### **SMS Book Fair - Monday-Friday, December 4th - 8th, 2023**

There's no book fair like a Scholastic Book Fair! It starts with a choice: What do I want to read? And since being empowered to choose their own books is a milestone opportunity to identify and express their own voice, kids also leave the Book Fair as bolder, prouder, and stronger individuals.

### **Christmas Movie Night - Saturday, December 9th at 6PM**

Featured Movie "The Polar Express" doors open at 5:30PM at St. Michael School Hall \$1 per person. Please bring your own camp chairs or blankets for comfy seating.

### **Save the Date: SMS Christmas Concert - December 21, 2023**

Please join us on Thursday, December 21st at 1 PM in St. Michael School Hall for a Christmas Concert featuring our All-School Choir, and Kindergarten through Fourth Grade music classes.

### **St. Michael School Tuition Raffle - School Fundraiser**

\$100 a ticket for a chance to win one free tuition for the 2024/25 school year. Over a \$4,000 value. On the last day of the 23/24 School Year, one will be chosen at random. No more than 250 tickets will be sold.

### **The Virtue of the month - December: Moderation**

Also known as: Restraint. Definition of Moderation: Attention to balance in one's life.

Prayer for Moderation: Dear Jesus, help me to keep a balance in my life, using created things properly and in the right amount that is best for me. I need Your help to set limits for myself in doing things that I enjoy.

Moderation Looks Like: Taking the time each day to pray.

Moderation Sounds Like: I spent time praying today.

### **December Prayer**

#### **The Angelus**

The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.

R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

*(Hail Mary...)*

Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

R. Be it done unto me according to thy word.

*(Hail Mary....)*

And the Word was made flesh.

R. And dwelt among us.

*(Hail Mary ....)*

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts; That we to whom the incarnation of Christ, thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by his passion and cross, be brought to the glory of his resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.