



St. Michael School

Fall River, Massachusetts

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Important Dates:

October 18th - Share Our Faith 6:30 PM at St. Joseph Parish Building

October 20th - Jr. Youth Group 7PM-9PM Grades 5-7

October 28th - Halloween Party, 6 PM - 9 PM

October 29th - Trunk or Treat after 10:45 AM Mass at St. Joseph Church lot

November 1st - Holy Day - All Saints Day / All Souls Day

November 3rd - Picture Retake Day

November 11th - Holy Ghost Dinner - Dine in 6-10 PM or Take out 4-5:30 PM

A note from Mr. Klein, Principal

As we approach the midpoint of the trimester, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the progress our students have made and emphasize the importance of our partnership in their educational journey. Our teachers have worked diligently to assess and provide feedback on your child's academic progress. The recently issued progress reports are a snapshot of their achievements, growth, and areas where additional support may be needed. It's important to remember that these reports are not just about grades; they reflect the hard work, dedication, and perseverance that our students demonstrate every day. We encourage you to sit down with your child and review their progress report together. This is an excellent opportunity for open communication and reflection. Praise their successes, discuss any challenges they may be facing, and set goals for the remainder of the semester. Our teachers and support staff are here to assist in any way they can. Remember that our school is not just a place of learning; it's a community that values the holistic development of our students. We celebrate their academic achievements, but we also support their emotional, social, and personal growth. If you ever have concerns or questions about your child's progress, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

SMS School Halloween Party - Saturday, October 28th (6 - 9 PM)

The SMS School Halloween party will be held at the school hall on Saturday, October 28th from 6 - 9 p.m. The eighth grade class will develop and present a spooktacular Haunted House, as well as activities, food, and candy. For this event, the school is taking donations (bags of candy). Tickets will be available for purchase through the school office. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

The Virtue of the month - October: Self-Control

In the Catholic faith, the virtue of self-control holds a special significance as it aligns closely with the teachings of Christ. It's a powerful reminder of our capacity to harness our desires and impulses, allowing us to make choices that reflect God's will and a higher moral standard. Through self-control, we exercise discipline over our actions, thoughts, and words, fostering a deeper connection with our spiritual path. This virtue also serves as a cornerstone for personal development and fostering stronger relationships within our community.

CYO Basketball: 2023-2024 (2nd Gr. - 8th Gr.)

We are thrilled to announce that signups for the CYO Basketball program are now open for students in grades 2 to 8! Basketball is not just a sport; it's an opportunity for our students to develop teamwork, leadership, and sportsmanship. We encourage your child to join this exciting program and explore their passion for the game.

Catholic Youth Futsal League: 2023-2024 (Prek3 - 8th Grade)

We're excited to kick off our Catholic School Youth Futsal program, open to students from Pre-K to Grade 8! Futsal is a fantastic way for our young athletes to develop soccer skills, agility, and teamwork in a fun, indoor setting. Whether your child is new to the game or a seasoned player, this program offers a great opportunity to grow their love for soccer.

Massachusetts CORI Check - Need to Complete for Volunteers

CORI training is online at <https://fallriver.cmgconnect.org>. CORI law is clear that every school is required to obtain CORI on any volunteers every year. If you want to volunteer to be a chaperone, coach, or any other activity that involves students you must complete this procedure to ensure compliance. Valid identification must be provided with all completed forms: CORI Acknowledgment form, Code of Conduct form, and online training (CMG) printed certificate.