



St. MARGARET MARY SCHOOL

2019-2020

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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THEME FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR

70 Years Strong!

Faith-Filled Academic Excellence

1949-2019

For 70 years, St. Margaret Mary School has been educating the mind, body and spirit of its students, providing an education rich in faith and strong academics. True to the mission of the Sisters of Notre Dame and the Sisters of Mercy, St. Margaret Mary School continues to teach Christian values that our students carry with them for life.

A Catholic school integrates all the different aspects of knowledge through the subjects taught in the light of the gospel, teaching values for a lifetime.

Our new STREAM activities include Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Art and Math. We have continued to integrate these activities throughout our curriculum and have implemented a new robotics program for grades 6-8.

Throughout this school year you will find many events to participate in to help us celebrate our 70 years of educating our students. We will kick off our celebration with our End of Summer Bash in September, our alumni will be celebrating their memories in October and our PTO will be sponsoring their annual Monte Carlo Night with a walk down STMM Memory Lane in November.

It is our hope that providing this year-long calendar of events to you early will help you to plan so that you can attend as many events as possible.

These events are subject to change due to things like snow days and diocesan calendar changes.

An updated calendar will be posted on E-Envelope at the beginning of each month. Please be sure to check regularly.

Calendar of Events for the 2019-2020 School Year

August

August 5-9 – Uniform Exchange – 9:00 A.M. -2:00 P.M. & 6:00-7:30 P.M. (Main Office Hallway)

August 7 - Kindergarten & New Family Orientation– at 6:30 (Cafeteria) – Parents Only

Uniform Exchange – 7:30-8:30 P.M

August 13-14 - Faculty Writing Workshops

August 14- Kindergarten Ice Cream Social – All Kindergarten and New Families and students grades 1-8
–6:30 (Cafeteria) – (PTO)

August 15 – Feast of the Assumption of Mary- Holy Day

August 19-23- Teacher In-Service Days

August 19 - Faculty/Staff Retreat - Holy Name of Jesus

August 19- Preschool Orientation - 6:45-7:30 (Preschool Classroom) – Parents Only

August 21 - School Board Meeting - 6:00 (Faculty Room)

August 22- Preschool Social – 6:00-7:00 (Courtyard & Preschool Classroom)- Preschool Families

August 26 – Opening Day of School – Grades PreK-4 -8

Mass – 10:15 (Gym) (Faculty)

August 26 – August 29 – Kindergarten Students have special schedule – Dismissal each day at 11:30 (Cafeteria Door)

Aug. 26 – Only Boys Attend Class

Aug. 27– Only Girls Attend Class

Aug. 28 & Aug. 29 – All Children Attend Class

August 30 **NO SCHOOL** -Pool Party- Penn Colonial Pool – Time TBA

September - Service Project: Caitlin Smiles

September 1- Labor Day Bash – 4:00-8:00 (STMM Church)

September 2 – **NO SCHOOL- LABOR DAY**

September 3- Pre-K 3 begins

Mum sale begins (PTO & Spartan Giving)

September 6 – 8:30 Mass w/ Installation of Student Council Officers

September 9-13– Welcome Back Scholastic Book Fair

September 10 – Back to School Night Grades K-5- 6:45 - Meet in gym

September 12– Back to School Night grades 6-8 – 6:45 – Meet in gym

September 13 – 8:30 Mass (8th grade)

September 18- **NO SCHOOL- Bishop McDevitt Teacher Conference**

September 18– School Board – 6:00 (Faculty Room)

September 20 – Mass-8:30 (7th grade)

September 22 – Family Pancake Breakfast Hosted by Grades 7 & 8 – Display and Greeters at Mass-8:00-Noon (Cafeteria)

September 27– Mass-8:30 (6th grade)

October - Service Project: Socktober - Sock Collection for Interfaith Shelter (Student Council)

Bully Prevention & Fire Safety Month

October 1 – Living Rosary – 8:20 (Gym)

Winter uniform begins - sweater/vest, no shorts

October 4 – Mass – 8:30 (5th grade)- Feast of St. Francis

October 7 - PTO sub sale orders begin

October 8– Parent-Teacher Conferences K-4 – Grades K-4 no school - Grades 5-8 in session

October 9 - Parent Teacher Conferences Grades 5-8 - Grades 5-8 no school - Grades K-4 in session

October 10– Living Rosary – 8:20 (Gym)

PTO Meeting 7:00 PM (Cafeteria)

October 11 – Mass -8:30 (4th grade)

PTO Sub Orders Due

October 14 – NO SCHOOL – COLUMBUS DAY

October 16 – Living Rosary – 8:20 (Gym) - Feast of St. Margaret Mary

School Board – 6:00 (Faculty Room)

October 18- Mass- 8:30 (3rd grade)

October 21-- Living Rosary- 8:20 (Gym)

October 23 – School Pictures -8:30-Noon (Gym)

October 24 - PTO Sub Orders Delivered

October 25 - Mass 8:30 (8th grade)

October 26 - PTO Trunk or Treat w/ Hayride-6:30-8:30 (Church)

7th & 8th Grade Halloween Social- 7:00-9:00 (Cafeteria)

October 29- Living Rosary

October 31 – 3rd Grade - Pumpkin and Prayer Morning 9:00 a.m.

Halloween Parade and Party -1:15 p.m.

November - Service Project: Food Drive for Food Pantry at OLBS (Student Council)

November 1 – Mass-10:15 (7th grade) All Saints Day – Holy Day of Obligation

November 2– Confirmation retreat 9 a.m.—2 p.m. at the Parish Activities Center.

November 8 – Mass – 8:30 (6th grade)

November 10 - Family Pancake Breakfast hosted by Grades 2,3,&4 - 8am-11am (Cafeteria) Greeters and Display at Mass

November 11 – Veteran’s Day Mass - 8:30 - Student Council

November 12 – Science Fair Judging -3:00-5:30 (Cafeteria)

November 13 – Science Fair Judging -3:00-5:30 (Cafeteria)

November 14 - Science Fair Judging - 3:-5:30 (Cafeteria)

November 15– Mass-8:30 –Grades (Gym)

Science Fair Open House – 6:30-7:30 (Cafeteria)

November 19 - PTO Meeting - 7:00 P.M. (Cafeteria)

November 20 - Picture Retakes

School Board Meeting - 6:00 (Faculty Room)

November 21- Trimester 1 Ends

November 26- Thanksgiving Prayer Service – 11:00 Pro--Life Club

Dismissal at Noon – No Central Dauphin Bus Transportation Home

November 27 –December 2– NO SCHOOL – THANKSGIVING

November 28 – Picture Retakes- 1:00 (Gym)

December

December 1- Advent Begins

December 3 -School resumes; PTO Sub Orders begin

December 5 -Grade Reports issued

December 4 – Advent Penance Service – 1:00 (Gym)

December 6 - St. Nicholas Day

Mass- 8:30 (Gym)

Parents' Night Out - This event is sponsored by Student Council and offers babysitting from 6:00-8:00 in the cafeteria so parents can do some Christmas shopping or just have a night out

December 8– Santa Shop Set-Up- Time TBA (Cafeteria) (PTO)

December 9 - PTO Sub Orders Due

December 9-12 – Santa Shop (Cafeteria) Students will get the chance to do some Christmas shopping

Thanks to our PTO for sponsoring this great opportunity for our students.

December 13 –Mass-8:30 (3rd grade)

Student Council Christmas Dance for 7th & 8th grades -7:00-9:00- (Cafeteria)

December 17 – PTO Sub Orders Delivered

Christmas Pageant – 6:45 Bishop McDevitt High School

December 19 – Brunch in Bethlehem (Cafeteria) –All students enjoy a special Christmas brunch for lunch.

Thanks to our PTO for sponsoring this event.

December 20 - Christmas Prayer Service - 11:00 (5th grade)

Dismissal at Noon - No Central Dauphin Bus Transportation Home

December 20–January 1 – NO SCHOOL-CHRISTMAS VACATION

January - Service Project: Souper Bowl - Soup Collection for Food Pantry at OLBS (Student Council)

January 2 – School Reopens

January 3 – Mass-8:30 (8th grade)

January 10– Mass – 8:30 (7th grade)

January 14 - First Penance Meeting - 6PM - School Cafeteria

January 15- School Board Meeting at 6:00 (Faculty Room)

January 17 – Mass- 8:30 (6th grade))

January 20 – NO SCHOOL – MLK DAY –(Snow Make-Up Day #1)

January 21- 24 - NHD Judging

January 21 - Progress Reports go home

-NHD Judging- 3:00-6:00 (Cafeteria)

January 22 - Pre-K Conferences (No School for Pre-K)

- NHD Judging 3:00-6:00 (Cafeteria)

January 23- NHD Judging- 3:00-6:00 (Cafeteria)

January 24- Mass 8:30 (5th grade)

- NHD Open House- 6:30-7:30 (Cafeteria)

January 26 – Catholic Schools Week Presentation at Masses

- Pancake Breakfast Hosted by Grades 5 & 6 -8:00-11:00

- Open House 9:00-11:00 A.M. with Scholastic Book Fair

January 26- January 31 - Catholic Schools Week

Scholastic Book Fair

January 31 - Mass 8:30 (Pro-Life Club)

Sacrament of First Penance 6:00pm

February - Service Project: Baby Item Collection for Morning Star (Pro-Life Club)

February 7 – Mass – 8:30-(4th Grade)

County Band Practice

February 8 - County Band Concert 2:00 PM - Harrisburg High School

February 13- Valentine Celebration Grades PreK-4 1:45

Valentine Social Grades 7 & 8 – 7:00-9:00 (Cafeteria)

February 14 & 17 – NO SCHOOL – PRESIDENTS’ DAY

(February 14 is Snow Make-Up Day #2 & February 17 is Snow Make-Up Day #3)

February 18 - PTO Meeting (Cafeteria)

February 19 - School Board – 6:00 (Faculty Room)

February 21 – Mass-8:30 (Pro-Life)

February 22 - Quiz Bowl Competition - Lamberton Middle School

February 26 - Ash Wednesday - Mass - 8:30 (8th grade)

March - Service Project: Penny War (Student Council)

Capital Area Science and Engineering Fair - TBD & County Chorus - TBD

March 4 – Spelling Bee - Diocese

Stations of the Cross - 2:00 (Gym)

March 11 - Geography Bee - Diocese

Stations of the Cross 2:00 (Gym)

March 5- Trimester 2 Ends

March 6 - Mass - 8:30 - (7th Grade)

March 7- National History Day Regional Competition

March 11 - Stations of the Cross 2:00 (Gym)

March 12 - Grade Reports Distributed

March 13 - Mass - 8:30 (6th Grade)

March 14 - Spartan Shamrock Bowl (Quiz Bowl Competition) - School

March 16-20 - COGAT Testing

March 18 - Stations of the Cross - 2:00 (Gym)

- School Board Meeting - 6:00 (Faculty Room)

March 19 - PTO Meeting – 7:00 (Cafeteria)

March 20- No School (Snow Make-Up Day #4)

Confirmation Practice - 7:00 PM (Church)

March 21 - Confirmation 7:00 PM (Church)

March 25- Stations of the Cross – 2:00 (Gym)

March 27 -Mass-8:30 (5th Grade)

March 28 - 5K

March 29 - Family Pancake Breakfast - Hosted by Pre-K, K & 1st Grades. 8:30 - 11:30am

PTO Egg Hunt - noon

March 30 -April 3 - ITBS Testing

March 31 - First Holy Communion Parent Meeting 6:00 P.M. (School Cafeteria)

April

April 1-3 - ITBS Testing

April 1 - School Penance Service 1:00 (Gym)

April 3 - Mass – 8:30 (4th Grade)

Diocesan Spelling Bee

April 8 - Lenten Retreat - Living Stations - 10:45 (Gym)

Noon Dismissal - No Central Dauphin Bus Transportation Provided

April 9-13 Easter vacation- (April 9 is Snow Make-Up Day #5)

April 13 - Snow Make-up #6

April 14 - School Resumes

April 15- School Board Meeting 6:00 (Faculty Room)

April 17- Grandparents' Day -9:00-11:00 (Gym)

April 17 & 18- Spring Musical-7:30 (Gym)

April 21 -PTO Meeting 7:00 (Cafeteria)

April 22- Progress Reports Sent Home

April 24- Spartan Sprint (Little Valley)

Speech Contest (Diocese)

May

May 1 – May Crowning with Living Rosary – 1:45 (Gym)

First Holy Communion Practice - 6:00 (Church)

May 2 - First Holy Communion - 10:00 (Church)

May 4 - Living Rosary 8:20 (Gym)

May 6– Living Rosary – 8:20-(Gym)

May 8- Mass- 8:30 (2nd Grade)

Kindergarten Mother's Day Tea- 10:00-11:00 (Cafeteria)

May 12- Living Rosary-8:20 (Gym)

May 13 - PTO Meeting – 7:00 (Cafeteria)

May 15- Track & Field Day

May 19- Arts Festival-6:45 (Gym)

May 20 - Living Rosary 8:20 (Gym)

School Board-6:00 (Faculty Room)

May 21 –Ascension Thursday - Mass 10:15

May 22 - Kindergarten Graduation- 9:00 (Gym)

Pre-K Closing Ceremony-10:00 (Gym)

Student Council Speeches & Voting 1:30 (Gym)

May 25 - NO SCHOOL- MEMORIAL DAY

May 27 - Kindergarten Screening for New Students

May 28 - Living Rosary 8:20

May 29 - Mass 8:30 - Pro Life

June

June 1 - Awards Assembly-10:00 (Gym)

School Picnic- 11:30-2:00 (Parking Lot & Little Valley)

June 4 – Last Day of School – Closing Mass at 10:15 – Dismissal at noon –

No Central Dauphin bus transportation at dismissal

PLEASE NOTE – 8TH GRADE GRADUATION WILL BE DETERMINED CLOSER TO SPRING.