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Dear Parents/Guardians:

The Giving Tree is set up in the entrance way of the school. Please have your child take an ornament and return the gift to the office by December 11. (See attached flyer)

Please send in your candy sale money. Contact the office for more candy! **Father Sisco has set aside 2 weekends for you to sell candy after Masses. If you would like to sell candy after a Mass, the candy you sell after Mass will go towards your Fundraising Fee. We still have two open Masses – Nov 19 at 8:00 am & Nov 26 at 8:00 am.**

Facts Grant & Aid has been set up for the 2024-25 school year. Please apply for Financial Aid early the best chance of receiving aid.

Attached is a flyer asking for Sip & Shop food donation and a flyer to purchase a ticket.

Would anyone be available to help set up lights outside? Please let us know if you can.

Just a reminder that aftercare bills are due upon receipt.

Save the Date

11/27	Dine Out at Uncle Tony's Pizza
12/2	Sip & Shop
12/9	Christmas Tree Lighting at the Gazebo
12/15	Christmas Celebration – 9:00 AM
12/18	Christmas Caroling 6:00-7:00
12/20	School Mass at 9:45 11:30 Dismissal

During the Month of November St. Mary's School is participating in the "Love Your Neighbor Challenge". Please encourage your children to participate. (See attached flyer)

30 Acts of Love in 30 days!

Share on social media using #StMarysLoveyourNeighborChallenge.

Reminder:

No peanut/tree nut items will be served as we are a Peanut/Tree Nut Free School. Please be sure your child's lunch is peanut/tree nut free.

Enjoy the weekend!

Respectfully,

Ms. Lepore

St. Mary's School lives the Gospel Values of Faith, Hope and Love through our kind thoughts, words, and deeds.

GIVING TREE



It has been a long standing Saint Mary's School tradition to put up our giving tree in the school foyer just after Thanksgiving break. Ornaments will be on the tree requesting donations of gift cards that will then be dispersed to our families that may need a little boost this Christmas season.

If your family would like to participate, have your child pick an ornament from the tree and return the gift card to school by Monday, December 11th^h.

If you are in need of a little assistance this year, please contact Mrs. Nasser or Ms. Lepore

ALL REQUESTS ARE COMPLETELY CONFIDENTIAL.



SAINT MARY SCHOOL
Cordially Invites You to Our



Saturday, December 2nd
6pm-9pm

85 Chester Avenue
Cranston, RI 02920

Tickets are \$10

*What does that get you? Access to over 30 vendors, a glass of wine, hors d'oeuvres,
and an entry ticket for our Door Prize!!*

Please complete the below form to purchase tickets.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Number of Tickets: _____





We will be serving appetizers throughout the evening. If you are able to donate a food item, please return this form with the item you will bring by Tuesday, November 21st.

Please choose from listed items or write in your own below.

Name: _____ **Grade:** _____

_____ **Chips and Dip**

_____ **Veggie Platter**

_____ **Fruit Platter**

_____ **Cheese and Crackers**

_____ **Calzones**

_____ **Pizza**

_____ **Hors d'oeuvres**

_____ **Other:** _____



Love Your Neighbor Challenge

30 Acts of Love in 30 Days

Challenge your family members to work together to complete these thirty small acts of love for thirty days. Grow in holiness together and share your progress to inspire others.

Eat lunch with someone who doesn't have anyone to sit with.	Clean out your closet and donate clothes to a local shelter.	Make a conscious effort to not speak badly about anyone today.	Every time you enter a doorway today pray for those living in poverty.	Take five minutes to write a thank you note or draw a picture for a teacher who has had an impact on you. Be sure to mail or drop it off.
Do the dishes without being asked.	Do laundry for the whole family.	Charitably ask someone to stop gossiping about someone else.	Invite someone to a playdate or an event who isn't typically invited.	Make blessing bags for a homeless outreach, including toiletries, snacks, socks, gloves, and a handwritten note.
Treat someone you love with a coffee.	Every time you get in or out of a car today, pray silently for the sick.	Take the day off from screens and intentionally spend time in conversation.	Offer to babysit for a local family for free so they can get a date night.	Write a note of encouragement or draw a picture for a friend going through a difficult time.
Spend the afternoon baking cookies for your local nursing home. Drop them off.	Help a family member with homework or a chore.	Pack lunches for your entire family.	Call an extended family member you haven't spoken to who could use your company.	Volunteer as a family at a soup kitchen or food pantry.
Write a letter or make a card for a member of the armed forces.	Every time you change activities today, offer a prayer for your parents.	Play a game as a family today.	Clean a room in your home that doesn't belong to you.	Volunteer at a program that supports others.
Write cards for children in your local pediatric hospital. Make sure to mail them or drop them off.	Every time you write something down today, offer a prayer for those in prison.	Offer to help a colleague or classmate with something he or she is struggling with.	Give up buying lunch for one week and use the money to pick out school supplies for an under-resourced school.	Prepare sandwiches for your local soup kitchen.