

December 20, 2024



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

January Lunches

Beginning in January, we will have Olive Garden for Friday lunches. Please see the flyer for information.



Epiphany Pageant

Practices for the Epiphany Pageant will take place on January 7th with an in-school dress rehearsal on January 10th. The church performance is on January 12th at 10:30 AM. All casting is complete.



Q3 Clubs

Club sign-ups are open until January 7th. Please complete the forms linked in this newsletter. We will have Spanish Club and Basketball Club in January and February.

12/23-1/5 - Christmas Break

1/6 - Students Return

1/7 - Club Sign-Up Deadline

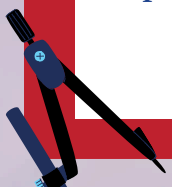
1/7 - January Lunch Ordering Deadline

1/10 - End of Qtr 2

1/12 - Epiphany Pageant 10:30 am

1/20 - MLK Jr. Day - No School

1/21 - Qtr 2 Report Cards



Christmas Holiday - School Office

The St. Mark's school offices will be closed from 12/23/24 - 1/5/25
The office will re-open, when school resumes on Monday, January 6th.
Emails and phone calls received during the office closure period will
be checked intermittently.

Make-Up School Days - Hurricane Dates Added:

Monday, **January 6th** / Tuesday, **February 18th** / Friday, **May 23rd**

Please Help Support Our Open House:

We have our first Open House, for prospective families, on January 23rd. Please help St. Mark's grow, by spreading the word to friends and family, to explore the BEST private school community in our area! Please contact Mrs. Parsons (pasonsd@stmarksacademy.org), to refer a family to the Open House (1/23/25) from 6:00 - 7:30 PM.

Happy Holidays

I wish you and your family the very best this holiday season, one hopefully filled with laughter and love! We are grateful that you are part of our church/school family.





St. Mark's has partnered with Olive Garden to provide Friday lunches for your children beginning in January.

Students will receive the following in their Friday lunches:

Pasta with Marinara Sauce

Breadstick

Grapes

The cost for lunch has not changed. It will still be \$7.00 per lunch with a monthly commitment. January lunches will be for January 10, 17, 24, and 31 for a total charge of \$28.00 per student order.

All lunches will be billed the following month with a due date of the 15th.

Please complete the form to order. January lunch ordering will close on January 7th at noon.

<https://tinyurl.com/SMEAJanOG>



P&F is looking for volunteer elves to help us shop for next year's Holiday Shoppe! Traditionally, a team of parents goes out shopping after Christmas looking for deals for merchandise for the next year's sale. We will reimburse you for the merchandise, just keep your receipts. We are assigning stores this year so that we don't overbuy any particular item.



How it works:

1. Reach out to Christal Dickun (christal621@gmail.com or 860-204-1200) or click here: <https://signup.com/go/qDjNsdK> or scan the QR code.
2. Stop by school and pick up a bin or two to fill with merchandise, or use your own, or just bring bags into school and we will figure out the bins later.
4. Go out the week after Christmas and buy the items (see below for guidelines).
5. Place items of similar value in bags together with a note card or paper indicating the approximate purchase price to keep things organized. Smaller bags can be placed into bigger bags for transport.
6. Submit your receipts and a reimbursement form to Debbie in the school office.



Guidelines for merchandise:

- Look for items \$5 or less. Do not buy anything full price.
- We need gifts for mom's, dad's, siblings and pets.
- Coffee cups (insulated/TO-GO or regular), wine glasses (TO-GO, stemless were a big hit), stuffies, and pet toys were all popular this year. Jewelry, blankets, socks, ornaments (non breakable preferred), puzzles, tool kit/multitool, stocking stuffers, #1 "Best" mom/dad stuff, journals, pens, massagers, golf balls, small toys, etc.
- Gift bags (small clear cellophane treat bags for little items and a variety of small to medium sized holiday themed bags), ribbon, wrapping paper, tissue paper, and tape.
- No perishable items please.
- No lotions, soaps, perfumes, etc. (we have lots left over and already hit a sale.)
- No home decor, we still have a lot of that too.

Please consider helping us keep this special holiday tradition alive for our littles! They absolutely love to shop for their family and friends, and it saves you some time too!

Happy Holidays!
P&F Board

BASKETBALL CLINIC

Mrs. Smith will be working with students on skills work and sportsmanship. The clinic will run for 6 weeks. Please click on the Age Group below or scan the QR Code to go to the permission form. Sign up ends January 7th.



PK3-KINDER

Tuesdays 3:30-4:15

\$115

GRADES 1-6

Wednesdays 3:30-4:30

\$130



Registration Links



Practica tu
ESPAÑOL

Spanish Club - Session 2



Thursdays 3:30 - 4:30

JAN. 16 - FEB. 20

Grades
1-6

Mrs. James



Sign up here!



To be fueled by God to do God's work!

ADVENT
SERVICE OF
LESSONS AND
CAROLS

DECEMBER 15
4:00 Musical
Prelude / 4:30 PM
Lessons and Carols

CHRISTMAS
EVE

DECEMBER 24
5:30 PM - Rite II
10:30 PM - Rite II
sung, with incense

CHRISTMAS
DAY

DECEMBER 25
10:00 AM
The Christ Mass

THE FEAST
OF
EPIPHANY

JANUARY 12th
8:00 AM - Rite I
10:30 AM - Rite II
Children's Pageant

Christmas

EVENTS
2024

St. Mark's Episcopal Church * Historic Cocoa Village * 4 Church Street * Cocoa FL 32922



- Neo-Classical Ballet
- Musical Theater
- Contemporary
- Mommy & Me
- Hip Hop
- Pilates
- Yoga
- Tap



- Toddlers
- Academy Level
- Conservatory Level
- Adults
- Competition
- Community Outreach
- Performance Opportunities

ACADEMY
Registration Fee Waived
LEVEL

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OUT!**

**CLICK ON ONE OR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING
WEBSITES TO LEAVE A REVIEW**



As St. Mark's continues to grow - we need your assistance to help reach new families. YOU can assist SMEA by engaging with our social media pages.

Please go on to the following page links to: follow, like, share and comment:

- **Facebook** - <https://www.facebook.com/stmarksepiscopalacademy/>
- **Instagram** - <https://www.instagram.com/stmarksepiscopalacademy/>
- **Website** - <https://www.stmarksacademy.org/>
- **LinkedIn** - <https://www.linkedin.com/company/st-mark-s-episcopal-academy>

This is a great way to show your support of SMEA, and promote our community to your friends and family. We will be sending out a parent email with all of these links. Mr. Wester will draw one parent that is engaging with our social media - to claim a small gift for helping our school!

Fall Semester

Monday, August 5	Used Uniform Sale – 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM - Thursby Hall
Wednesday, August 7	Teachers Return
Monday, August 12	Parent Orientation – 6:00 PM
Tuesday, August 13	Meet & Greet 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM
Tuesday, August 13	Used Uniform Sale Thursby Hall – 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM
Wednesday, August 14	Students Return - 1st Day of School
Wednesday, August 21	New Parent Coffee - 8:30 AM – Thursby Hall
Wednesday, August 28	Yearbook Picture Day
Thursday, August 29	Parents Back-to-School Night – 5:15 PM – 7:30 PM
Monday, September 2	Labor Day - (Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)
Tuesday, September 10	Family Bingo Night 5:45 PM
Monday, September 16	Qtr 1 Interim Progress Reports
Friday, October 4	Blessing of the Animals – 12:35 PM
Monday, October 14	Columbus Day - (Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)
Friday, October 18	End of Q1/ Fall Festival
Thursday, October 24	Qtr 1 Report Cards
Friday, October 25	Parent/Teacher Conferences (No School for Students)
Friday, November 1	All Saints' Day Chapel
Friday, November 8	Professional Development Day (No School for Students)
Monday, November 11	Qtr 2 Interim Progress Reports
Monday, November 11	Veterans Day Chapel
Monday – Wednesday, November 11-13	Scholastic Book Fair
Tuesday, November 12	Books and Bingo 5:45-7:45
Friday, November 15	Fall into Science Day/Cookies in the Park Afterschool
Wednesday, November 20	All School Photo @ 8:40 AM
Friday, November 22	Grandparent's Day - (12 PM Dismissal) No Aftercare
Monday – Friday, November 25-29	Thanksgiving Week - (Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)
Wednesday – Friday, December 11-13	Holiday Shop
Friday, December 20	Advent in Song (12 PM Dismissal) No Aftercare
Monday, December 23 – Monday, January 6	Christmas Break

Spring Semester

Monday, January 6	Students Return - Hurricane Makeup Day
Friday, January 10	End of Qtr2
Monday, January 20	Martin Luther King Day -(Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)
Tuesday, January 21	Qtr 2 Report Cards
Thursday, January 23	Prospective Family Event
Thursday, February 6	Yearbook Photo Retake Day
Monday, February 10	Qtr 3 Interim Progress Reports
Friday, February 14	6th Grade Valentine's Day Celebration/ 1 PM Dismissal – No Aftercare
Monday, February 17	Presidents' Day -(Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)
Tuesday, February 18	Hurricane Makeup Day
Tuesday, February 25	Family Bingo Night 5:45 PM
Wednesday, March 5	Ash Wednesday
Thursday, March 6	Spring Photo Day
Friday, March 7	Storybook Dress-Up Day/End of Qtr 3
Thursday, March 13	Science & Innovation Night
Thursday, March 13	Qtr 3 Report Cards Issued
Friday, March 14	Parent/Teacher Conferences - (No School for Students)
Monday- Friday, March 17-21	Spring Break
Friday, March 28	Field Day – Noon Dismissal -No Aftercare
Saturday, April 12	Gala Night
Thursday, April 17	Qtr 4 Interim Progress Reports
Friday, April 18	Good Friday - (Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)
Monday, April 21	Easter Monday - (Holiday for All - NO SCHOOL)
Friday, May 2	May Day - 11 AM Civic Center
Monday-Thursday, May 5-8	BOGO Scholastic Book Fair
Tuesday, May 6	Books and Bingo Night 6 pm-8 pm
Wednesday, May 21	Morning Awards Chapel
Friday, May 23	Final Chapel/Crossover/Graduation/Last Day of School (12:00 Dismissal)/Hurricane Makeup
Tuesday, May 27 and Wednesday, May 28	Post-planning for Faculty
Tuesday, June 3	Qtr 4 Report Cards and Summer Packets Emailed

Parents & Friends Events

2024-2025



AUGUST

12TH - PARENT ORIENTATION
13TH - USED UNIFORM SALE
20th - PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am- Library,
29TH - BACK TO SCHOOL
NIGHT

SEPTEMBER

6TH - COOKIES IN THE PARK
10TH - BINGO NIGHT
18TH- PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am- Thursby

OCTOBER

16TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am - Thursby
18TH - FALL FESTIVAL

NOVEMBER

11TH-15TH - BOOK FAIR
12TH - BOOKS & BINGO
15TH - COOKIES IN THE PARK
20TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am - Thursby
22ND - GRANDPARENTS DAY

DECEMBER

6 TH - PARENTS NIGHT OUT
11-13TH - HOLIDAY SHOP
18TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am - Library
20TH - ADVENT & SONG

JANUARY

15TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am - Thursby

FEBRUARY

7TH - COOKIES IN THE PARK
14TH - VALENTINES DANCE
19TH- PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am - Thursby
25TH - BINGO NIGHT

MARCH

19TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am - Thursby

APRIL

12TH - CASINO NIGHT GALA
16TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am - Library

MAY

6TH - BOOKS & BINGO
5TH - 8TH - BOOK FAIR
9TH - COOKIES IN THE PARK
15TH - PARENTS & FRIENDS
MEETING 8am - Thursby

JUNE

*****ALL DATES & EVENTS
ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE*****
FURTHER INFO WILL BE
FORTHCOMING AS EVENTS
COME CLOSER

JULY

Summer
