



April 24, 2024

Dear Families:

Tomorrow is a special day for many reasons. For one, it is the Feast of Saint Mark. In addition, it is Ring Day for the Class of 2024, and finally Superintendent of Schools Deacon Kevin McCormack and Deputy Superintendent Mrs. Joan McMaster will be joining us for the day.

Ring Day is always special. To me, it is the “beginning of the end” for our eighth grade; it kicks off a series of events that culminates with graduation. What makes the day even more special is that we’re celebrating this occasion on the Feast of Saint Mark, our patron. Although the symbol of our school is the lighthouse, the symbol of Saint Mark himself is the winged lion. How appropriate! Our students find “courage” and inspiration from Saint Mark—and all of the saints—to succeed once they leave Saint Mark, and in doing so, their academic careers and their futures will truly “take flight”!

Finally, it is also great to welcome visitors to our school. We’re proud to show Deacon McCormack and Mrs. McMaster the great things that are going on at SMCA! In fact, this is a welcome home for Mrs. McMaster, who graduated from Saint Mark!

Please join me in congratulating our graduates. They have only a few more weeks left here. Soon, they’ll be alumni of Saint Mark Catholic Academy. Until then, they have lots more to do and so much more to accomplish. In so many ways, tomorrow is just the beginning.

Sincerely,

Mr. Mark Wilson

Principal

# Saint Mark Catholic Academy May 2024

| Sunday | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday  |
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| 28     | 29<br>After-school Chess Classes Begin<br>3:15PM - 4:15PM<br>   | 30  | 1  | 2<br>Evening Progress Report Conferences<br>• 5pm to 7pm<br>• Zoom or Phone Call Only                                     | 3<br>Early Dismissal Day for All Classes<br>Afternoon Progress Report Conferences<br>• 12:30pm to 3pm<br>• In-school only<br><b>NO BUS SERVICE</b><br>First Friday Mass 8:30am                                   | 4   |
| 5      | 6<br>After-school Chess Class<br>3:15PM - 4:15PM   | 7<br>New York State Testing Program<br>NYS Math Test<br>Grades 4, 6, and 7<br>Mother's Day Sale | 8  | 9<br>Ascension Thursday<br>10am Mass<br> | 10<br>MUFFINS with MOM<br>  | 11<br>First Holy Communion<br> |
| 12     | 13<br>Title 1 Zoom Parent Meeting<br>(for students in Title 1 program)<br>After-school Chess Class<br>3:15PM - 4:15PM<br> | 14  | 15   | 25  | 17   | 18<br>                         |
| 19     | 20<br>After-school Chess Class<br>3:15PM - 4:15PM  | 21  | 22<br>Spring Show:<br>Grades 1-8<br>6:15pm in Gym<br>SPRING SHOW<br> | 23  | 24<br>Pizza-Dress Down (\$5)<br>Confirmation 4pm<br>  | 25  |
| 26     | 27<br>SCHOOL CLOSED:<br>Memorial Day<br>  | 28  | 29   | 30  | 31<br>Early Dismissal Day for Kindergarten - Grade 8<br><b>NO BUS SERVICE</b><br>Full Day for 3K and Pre-K<br>WALK-A-THON<br> | 1   |



Please be advised that there will be

**NO YELLOW BUS SERVICE**

on the following days:

**Friday, April 26**

**Monday, April 29**

**Tuesday, April 30**

It is important that you make arrangements for your child to get back and forth to school on these days.

Thank you,

Mrs. Ryan

# SAINT MARK'S

# GOT TALENT!



## ***CALLING ALL STUDENTS IN GRADES 1 THROUGH 8!***

*Do you dance, sing, juggle? Are you a gymnast? Do you do karate? Are you an expert hula-hooper? Can you do tricks with a basketball? Play an instrument?*

**Come try out for the talent show on Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> in the gym after school.**

- You must provide your own music. (We have Bluetooth.)
- You must provide your own instruments (including keyboards).
- Act cannot exceed 2 minutes. Time yourself before you come to tryouts. Under 2 minutes is ok...just can't go over.
- You may do a group act or solo.
- Students must return the attached slip by **Friday May 10<sup>th</sup>**.
- **THE TALENT SHOW WILL BE ON JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup> AT 10AM.**

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I give my child \_\_\_\_\_ in grade \_\_\_\_\_

Permission to try out for the talent show on May 14<sup>th</sup>.

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

( ) I will pick my child up from the gym at 4:00pm.

( ) My child will go to after school after try outs.

# The Parish of St. Mark- St. Margaret Mary

Saturday, April 27 from 11:00am-  
6:00pm



**A Taste of Honey at Nansen Park**  
3466 Victory Boulevard  
Staten Island, N.Y. 10314



**Cost: \$40 per adult, \$20 per child 6 - 14, children under 6 free**

**DJ, Music and Dancing**  
Tentative activities include:  
Shuffleboard,  
Horseshoes, Bocce Ball, Volleyball  
Softball (bring your glove)  
Sack Races, 3 Legged Races  
Face painting

Vigil Mass at 5:00 pm  
for  
Sunday, April 28th



**Menu includes unlimited:**  
Bagels, Danish, Coffee and Tea  
Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Fries, Salad Bar  
BBQ Chicken, Sausage & Peppers,  
Roast Beef Sandwiches, Corn on the Cob  
Watermelon, Ice Cream, Soda and Water

(No outside alcohol permitted on premises)



*If there is enough interest, we will have a bus which will leave the Rectory at 10:00am to go to Nansen Park in Staten Island.*

*(Free onsite parking)*

*If interested please complete the tear off and return in Wednesdays folder with payment*

*(Free onsite parking)*

*Bus \$5.00 p/p*

*Please complete and return in Wednesdays Folder.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Adults \_\_\_\_\_

Children 6-14 years old \_\_\_\_\_

Children under 6 free \_\_\_\_\_

Bus-yes/no \_\_\_\_\_ Amt of people on bus (including children) \_\_\_\_\_

**See you at the picnic!!**