

Dear Families of St. Mary Catholic School:

We are rapidly approaching our first full month of school in the 2008-2009 school year.

Your Parent Teacher Organization would like to take this opportunity to thank all the returning families to our fine school community. It is because of you that we are able to have sustainability of our membership throughout the past years. On this same note, we wish to welcome our new families and congratulate them on their decision to join our fine school and for embarking on this joyous journey for their children's education, both academically and in their faith.

As your PTO and fellow parents, we felt it our obligation to continue to "dial down" the fundraising activities that are expected of our families to those that are proven revenue drivers and easily executable. Your PTO worked hard during the summer months to secure updated and more beneficial vendor contracts with new fundraiser vendors. We were able to increase the schools share for the same amount of activity. It is our hope to make each and every major fundraising activity a prosperous one. But as we all know, these activities cannot and will not be successful without the participation, hard work and donation of our family's talents and abilities! Please remember; all St. Mary Catholic School families are responsible for a minimum of 25 hours of volunteer work. In an effort to be more inclusive, fundraising activity Chairpersons will be recruiting help from parents of specific grades to help with specific fundraisers.

The coordinating grade levels for the main fundraisers are:

Fall Festival and Silent Auction	Kindergarten, 6 th , 7 th grades
Scholastic Book Fair and Spaghetti Dinner	1 st , 4 th grades
Hoops for Halos	2 nd , 8 th grades
Wine Tasting Event	3 rd , 5 th grades

This does not mean that parents are limited to volunteer for these functions only. All grades are expected to participate in fundraising. Again, please share your time and talent as often as possible.

The Volunteer Interest Form (VIF) lists all the Fundraising events for the school year. Please check the box next to the events that you would like to help with.

Please return your completed VIF form by (date) so that we may begin contacting volunteers for events, your participation is greatly appreciated and needed for our success!

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact any of your PTO officers:

Dan Alcazar, President	970-978-0350
Feliz Carmona, Vice President	970-313-6780
Amy Smith, Secretary	970-576-2850
Kathy Rome, Treasurer	970-301-3175
Vicky Citrino, Political Action Officer	970-330-1040

**Thank You, May God Bless St. Mary Catholic School
and its' Families**

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Volunteer Interest Form

Parent(s) name _____ Child(ren) name/grade _____

Phone #(s) _____ Best time/day to call _____

Major Fundraisers

<u>Check Box</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Chairperson/Coordinator</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fall Festival/Silent Auction	Oct 3,4	Jerry Steffen, 506-0617
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gold C	Complete	Joey Mills, 353-9526
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sally Foster	Oct 7-20	Feliz Carmona, 313-6780
<input type="checkbox"/>	Book Fair/Spaghetti Dinner	Oct 17-24	Lisa Varra, 535-6141 Ben Struzenberg 304-0724
<input type="checkbox"/>	S'Cool Frozen Food/Bread Braid sale	Nov	Kathy Rome, 339-4533
<input type="checkbox"/>	Greens Sales	Nov	TBA
<input type="checkbox"/>	Candy Sales	Jan-Feb	Marina Alcazar, 396-7586 Connie Lance, 352-0939
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hoops for Halos	Mar 14	Juliet Sheets, 353-6214
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hoops for Halos Sponsorship		**Need coordinator**
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wine Tasting Event	April	Feliz Carmona
<input type="checkbox"/>	Golf Tournament	May	TBA

Other Volunteer Opportunities

<input type="checkbox"/>	Jog-A-Thon	Ms. Gigliotti, 353-1674
<input type="checkbox"/>	Children's Carnival	Bernadine Smalley/Jackie Jaquet
<input type="checkbox"/>	Clean up crew (chairs,tables) following events	TBA
<input type="checkbox"/>	Spring Picnic	Ann Heckel
<input type="checkbox"/>	Scrapbooking (document your child's year)	Audrey Pike/Tina O'Connell
<input type="checkbox"/>	Boxtops/Campbell Soup Labels	Jackie Jaquet/Tasha Bowen

<input type="checkbox"/>	Teacher Appreciation Week	TBA
<input type="checkbox"/>	School Calendars	Natalie (Ms. Gigliotti's niece)
<input type="checkbox"/>	9 News Health Fair	Sue Zenk
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chess Club	Matt Uymera
<input type="checkbox"/>	Meal Givers	Monica Kopcow
<input type="checkbox"/>	Teacher Appreciation Lunches	Joey Mills
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ice Haus Skate Party	Orinda McIntire
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cici's Pizza	TBA
<input type="checkbox"/>	Donuts for Dads	Steve LaRocco
<input type="checkbox"/>	Harvest Celebration (costume party)	Shawn Madden, Steve LaRocco, Vicky Citrino
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dress Down Day	TBA
<input type="checkbox"/>	Movie Night	Ms. Gigliotti/Principal