



"The Message"

a weekly newsletter of St. Mark School

August 18, 2022

A note from Mrs. Bingham

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to another school year. It is wonderful to have the students back in the building! I have enjoyed catching up with them and hearing all about their summer adventures. It is great to see so many bright personalities shine. I also want to welcome all of our new families to St. Mark. We are happy to welcome you and hope you have felt at home with us.

As we begin this school year, please encourage good study and homework habits at home. Doing this in the early weeks of the school year should help as the year progresses. Our opening school Mass is this Friday, August 19th at 8:00am. All are welcome.

St. Mark, Pray for Us.

Mrs. Bingham



Back to School Paperwork

If you have not returned your back to school paperwork, please do so by Monday, August 22nd.

Parents of 2nd - 8th Grade Students Who are Interested in Band

Our band program is contracted out through Palmer Music. Students will have an assembly on Monday, August 22nd that introduces them to all the available band instruments. There will be a parent meeting on Tuesday, August 23rd at 6:30pm in the Music Room. Please enter through the wing doors by the Music Room and Learning Lab. The purpose of this meeting is for parents to learn about the band program and set up payment with Palmer Music. Our band program will be offered after school on Mondays.

8th Grade Parent Meeting

There will be a meeting for all 8th grade parents on Wednesday, August 24th at 6:30pm in the 8th grade classroom. This meeting will review all the elements of the 8th grade school year so it is important that at least one parent attend.

Prevent and Protect STL

Are you interested in coaching, attending field trips, class parties, or volunteering at school? The Archdiocese of St. Louis requires all volunteers to attend a Protecting God's Children workshop and have a background screening prior to volunteering in school or parish programs. In addition to attending a Protecting God's Children workshop, all volunteers must register for an updated background screening, view two online training modules on abuse reporting and Code of Ethical Conduct, and agree to the updated Code of Ethical Conduct. Please go to preventandprotectstl.org to register.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Althage at 743-8641.

PTO Meeting and Curriculum Night:

We will be hosting a curriculum night directly after the short PTO introductory meeting on Wednesday, August 31st. The PTO meeting will begin in the cafeteria at 6:30 pm. Following the meeting in the cafeteria, parents will be able to have a brief overview of expectations and outcomes for the current year. Programs will repeat for parents with children in multiple grade levels. **A dress down pass is given to all students whose parents attend.** This is a wonderful opportunity to meet teachers, new families, and parents of students in your child's class. We invite you all to participate.



Fall Mum Sale

The 8th grade class is selling mums to raise money for their graduation expenses. Please see the attached order form if you would like to place an order. Orders are due by Tuesday, September 6th. The mums will be delivered to St. Mark on Friday, September 30th.



Together We're Better Gift Certificate Program

Don't forget that you can order your Together We're Better gift certificates through school at any time. Encourage your family and friends to participate! This is a great program that pays for many of the technology needs at St. Mark. Check out the extensive list of gift cards that are available.

Orders will be delivered directly to your child or you can pick them up in the office. You can use Walmart cards at Sam's Club for both gas and purchases. Other popular gift cards are Target, Amazon, Dierbergs, Circle K, Mobile/Exxon, and various restaurants.

School Partnership with St. Louis Counseling

We are happy to have a counselor with us 5 days a week this year. Our new counselor is Alishia Vogt. She will not begin working with us until after Labor Day.



2021-2022 Yearbooks have arrived. If you did not preorder yours, fill out the attached order form and we will send a copy home with your child.

Fall Festival

St. Mark Parish is getting ready for its annual Fall Festival on Friday, September 16th and Saturday, September 17th. The festival is the only parish fundraiser and the proceeds help support our school. The booths are run by the various parish organizations and St. Mark School has been asked to support the Basket Raffle Booth. Each year this booth has raised over \$1,200.

We would like each family to please try and participate, by making a monetary donation (\$5 or \$10), which will go toward purchasing items to create fun and creative baskets. If you have a large ticketed item that a basket could be centered around, this would be welcomed (Cardinals tickets, round of golf, etc.)

We are asking that you send your cash donation or check made out to St. Mark School by Friday, September 2nd. Please mark your envelope with your family name and Fall Festival Donation. The Fall Festival Committee greatly appreciates your help in making this event a huge success.

This donation or basket is for the Fall Festival and is different from the Trivia Night Basket that each class donates.

Billikens Soccer

The Billikens open the regular season Thursday, August 18, at home vs. No. 8 Arkansas in a 7 p.m. kickoff. Prior to the game there will be face painters, balloon artists and inflatables located on the hill side. Also, the first 200 kids get a free t-shirt. Following the game there will be an autograph session with the team. Use the link below to access complimentary tickets to Billiken soccer games.

<https://am.ticketmaster.com/slu/promotional-page?filterType=Njc=>

Upcoming EVENTS

August 23rd – Band parent meeting ~ 6:30pm in the Music room

August 24th – 8th grade parent meeting ~ 6:30pm in the 8th grade classroom

August 31st – Back to School meeting & curriculum night ~ 6:30pm in the cafeteria

September 5th – No School

September 6th – Mum orders are due

September 9th – 8th grade Fun Night

September 12th – Fall pictures

September 15th – 1st Mid-Quarter

September 19th -September 22nd – ITBS Testing ~ grades 3-8

September 23rd – No School ~ Faculty Professional Development

September 26th- 2nd Grade Parent Meeting for Reconciliation ~ 6:30pm in the Church



2021-2022

Yearbook Order Form

Family Name_____

Current grade(s)_____

Amount enclosed ~ (\$15.00 each)



St. Mark ***Class of 2023*** ***MUM SALE***

\$10.00 per 9" Mum

Orders Due Tuesday, September 6th

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

9" Mums - \$10 per mum:

<u>Color</u>	<u>Number of Mums</u>	<u>Total</u>
Bronze/Orange		\$
Purple		\$
Red		\$
White		\$
Yellow		\$
		Total \$:

Checks may be made payable to St. Mark

Delivery will take place on Friday, September 30th

Thank you for your support of the 8th grade class!



GET INVOLVED!

JOIN THE PTO!

We are seeking 2 adult representatives for each grade level to be present at meetings and help with events.

Save the Dates



August 8, 2022
September 12, 2022
October 3, 2022
November 7, 2022
December 5, 2022
January 9, 2023
February 6, 2023
March 6, 2023
April 3, 2023
May 1, 2023

Meetings begin
at 7pm.

Enter through the
Middle Wing Doors.
We meet in the
Learning Lab.



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Phone: (314) 743-8600



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July 22, 2022

Re: Sponsorship - St. Mark Fall Festival 2022

St. Mark parish and school is excited to once again to be holding our Fall Festival after a long break due to Covid 19. Join us on **Friday and Saturday, September 16th and 17th, 2022**. The festival will be held on the St. Mark campus, 4220 Ripa Ave., St. Louis, MO 63125

This year we are again glad to provide the opportunity for different levels of **tax deductible 501(c)(3)** sponsorships and we hope that you consider becoming one this year:

Platinum Sponsor \$1,000 -

Name/Company/Logo on the Fall Festival T-Shirts **If received after 8/22/2022 we cannot guarantee logo to be on t-shirt.**

Name/Company/Logo on the Fall Festival Signage both days of the festival and that will hang in Parish Center for 1 year

Name/Logo on our Website and Facebook Page

4 Ride Bracelets

4 Dinners Tickets

4 T-Shirts (sizes needed by 8/22 if received after 8/22/2022 XL will be sent)

Gold Sponsor \$500 -

Name/Company/Logo on Fall Festival T-Shirts **If received after 8/22/2022 we cannot guarantee logo to be on t-shirt.**

Name/Company/Logo on the Fall Festival Signage both days of the festival and that will hang in Parish Center for 1 year

Name/Logo on our Website and Facebook Page

2 Ride Bracelets

2 Dinners Tickets

2 T-Shirts (sizes needed by 8/22 if received after 8/22/2022 XL will be sent)

Silver Sponsor \$250 -

Name/Company/Logo on the Fall Festival Signage both days of the festival and that will hang in Parish Center for 1 year

Name/Logo on our Website and Facebook Page

2 Dinner Tickets

2 T-Shirts (sizes needed by 8/22 if received after 8/22/2022 XL will be sent)

Bronze Sponsor \$100 -

Name/Company/Logo on the Fall Festival Signage both days of the festival and that will hang in Parish Center for 1 year

Name/Logo on our Website and Facebook Page

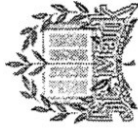
2 Dinners

Please complete the enclosed Sponsor Form and return to us along with your donation in the provided envelope no later than **Monday, August 30, 2022**. Your tax forms and items will be sent/delivered to you.

Thank you in advance for considering a sponsorship and your support of St. Mark Catholic Church and Parish School. If you have any questions, please contact Jim or Dodie Rooney at 314-913-7898 or roonij@outlook.com

Sincerely,

Rev. Brian Hecktor
Pastor, St. Mark Catholic Church



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**St. Mark Catholic School and Parish
Fall Festival 2022
September 16th and 17th**

Sponsorship Form - Return with Payment

I/We would like to sponsor the St. Mark Fall Festival with a financial donation (please check)

Platinum Sponsor	\$1,000.00	T-Shirt Sizes (4) Available Sizes AS,AM, AL,AXL, A2X, A3X
Gold Sponsor	\$500.00	T-Shirt Sizes (2) Available Sizes AS,AM, AL,AXL, A2X, A3X
Silver Sponsor	\$250.00	T-Shirt Sizes (2) Available Sizes AS,AM, AL,AXL, A2X, A3X
Bronze Sponsor	\$100.00	

Write your name or wording for the banner on the lines below, as it should appear on the signage/banner. If your sponsorship includes a logo (preferably a .jpg or .png) please send electronically to roonij@outlook.com

Any questions contact Jim Rooney at roonij@outlook.com or call 314-913-7898.

Make check payable to:

St. Mark Catholic Church
Attn: Jim/Dodie Rooney - Sponsorship Committee
4200 Ripa Avenue
St. Louis MO 63125

We Thank You for Your Support!!

Chairperson Use Only:

Money Received: _____

Money Turned In: _____

Tax Info/Item Sent: _____

Signage Made Ordered: _____



Beginning in September and running through the school year, St. Mark will raffle off a \$25 gift card each month for those school families or parishioners who have bought at least \$200 in gift cards the previous month. The drawing will be held on the 1st Friday of each month.

We have begun totaling your purchases this month and the first raffle will be on September 2nd. The winner will get to choose their \$25 gift card. If you have any questions, please give Diane a call at 314-757-1996

Thank You & Good Luck

" Together We're Better "

Where, How & When you can buy: *Parish office from 8:00 am - 3:00 pm (M-F)

*After the 9:00 & 11:00 am Sunday Masses

*By sending an order with your child through

school

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year!

Questions: call Diane Little @ 314-757-1996 or Alice Wilcox @ 314-743-8603.

	%	Denom.	Qty	Total		%	Denom.	Qty	Total
Grocers					Restaurants				
Dierbergs	5%	\$25			LongHorn	8%	\$25		
Dierbergs	5%	\$100			Maggiano's Little Italy*	11%	\$25/\$50		
Kenrick	10%	\$10			McAlister's Deli*	6%	\$25		
Save-A-Lot	5%	\$10			Noodles & Co.*	8%	\$10		
Restaurants					O'Charley's	13%	\$25		
Applebee's*	8%	\$25			Olive Garden	8%	\$25		
Arby's	8%	\$10			Outback Steakhouse	10%	\$25		
Bob Evans	10%	\$10			Papa John's Pizza	8%	\$10		
Bonefish Grill*	10%	\$25			Pizza Hut	8%	\$10		
Buffalo Wild Wings	8%	\$10			Qdoba*	7%	\$25		
Burger King	4%	\$10			Red Lobster	8%	\$25		
Chili's	11%	\$25			Red Robin	8%	\$25		
Chipotle Mexican Grill*	10%	\$10			Sonic*	8%	\$10/\$25		
Chuck E. Cheese's*	8%	\$10			Starbucks	4.5%	\$10		
Cold Stone Creamery*	11%	\$10			STL Bread Co.	8%	\$10/\$25		
Cracker Barrel	8%	\$10			Steak 'n Shake	8%	\$10		
Dairy Queen	3%	\$10			Subway	4.5%	\$10		
Denny's	7%	\$10			Taco Bell	5%	\$10		
Domino's	8%	\$10			Texas Roadhouse	8%	\$25		
Dunkin' Donuts*	3%	\$10/\$25			TGIFriday's	9%	\$25		
Fazoli's*	9%	\$25			Wendy's	6.5%	\$10		
Freddy's*	8%	\$25			Gasoline				
Golden Corral*	9%	\$25			7-Eleven	3%	\$50		
Hardee's*	5%	\$10			BP Oil	1.5%	\$50		
Honey Baked Ham*	12%	\$25			Circle K	1.5%	\$25		
IHOP*	8%	\$25			Mobil/Exxon	1%	\$50		
Jack in the Box	4%	\$10			Phillips 66	1.5%	\$25		
Subtotal 1					Subtotal 2				

*denotes a card that we don't stock but can be ordered

Orders for gift cards that are not on hand are placed each Monday at 10:00 a.m. and are delivered to us by Friday.

Updated 7/28/22
(More on back)

Retailers				Retailers			
ACE Hardware*	4%	\$25		iTunes	5%	\$15/\$25	
American Eagle*	10%	\$25		JCPenney	5%	\$25	
Banana Republic	14%	\$25		Joann Fabric	6%	\$25	
Barnes & Noble*	8%	\$10/\$25		Kohl's	4%	\$25/\$100	
Bass Pro Shops*	10%	\$25		Lowe's	4%	\$25/\$100	
Bath & Body	12%	\$10		Macy's*	10%	\$25	
Bed, Bath & Beyond	7%	\$25		Marshalls	7%	\$25	
Best Buy	4%	\$25		Maurices*	7%	\$20	
Build a Bear*	8%	\$25		Menards*	3%	\$25/\$100	
Burlington*	8%	\$25		Michaels	4%	\$25	
Cabela's*	10%	\$25		Old Navy	14%	\$25	
Claire's*	9%	\$10		PetSmart*	5%	\$25	
CVS Pharmacy	6%	\$25		Ross Dress for Less*	8%	\$25	
Dick's Sporting Goods	8%	\$25		Shoe Carnival*	5%	\$25	
Dillard's*	9%	\$25		Target	2.5%	\$25/\$100	
Express*	10%	\$25		T.J. Maxx	7%	\$25	
Famous Footwear*	8%	\$25		ULTA*	7%	\$25	
Foot Locker*	8%	\$25		Walgreens	5%	\$25	
GameStop*	5%	\$25		Walmart/Sam's Club	2.5%	\$25/\$100	
GAP	14%	\$25		Other			
Great Clips	8%	\$25		AMC Theatre*	8%	\$10/\$12	
Groupon.com*	7%	\$25		AMC Theatre*	8%	\$25	
Home Depot	4%	\$25/\$100		Amazon.com	1.7%	\$25/\$100	
Home Depot*	4%	\$500		Marcus Theatres	8%	\$25	
Subtotal 3				Subtotal 4			

Special order _____

Name/Grade _____

Home Phone _____

I will pick up at next week's Mass

Call when ready, I will pick up at the parish office _____

Please send home with my child ASAP _____

Subtotal 1

Subtotal 2

Subtotal 3

Subtotal 4

Special

Total

Receipt

Together We're Better Gift Cards

Name: _____

Received on: _____

Received by: _____

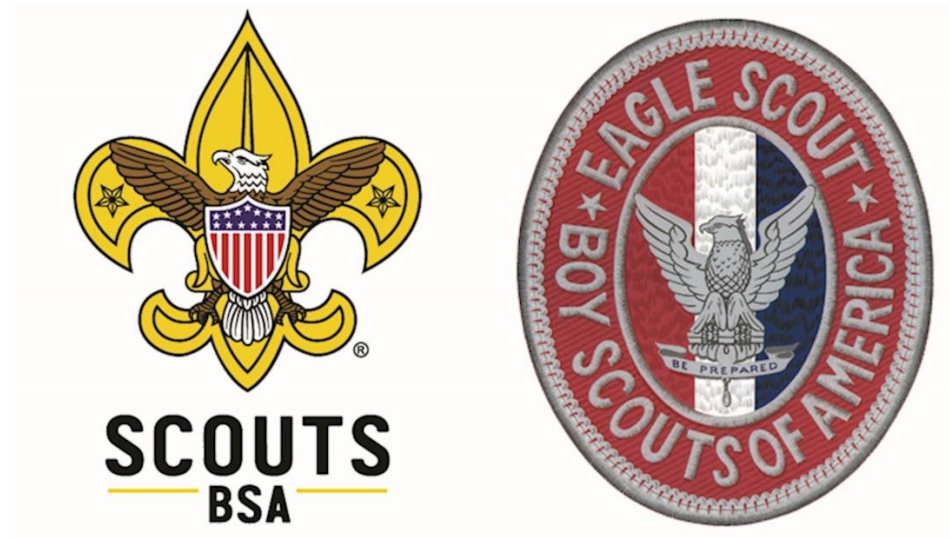
Gift cards: _____

Total: _____

Check#: _____

PACK AND TROOP 647

AT ST. FRANCISI OF ASSISI PARISH



**SIGN UP ON SEPT 7TH 2022 AT
7PM-8PM**

AT SFA BASEBALL FIELD PAVILION

BOYS K-8TH CAN SIGN UP NOW AND JOIN SCOUTING.

**OUR BOYS WILL WORK TOGETHER TO LEARN WHAT IT MEANS TO DO A GOOD
TURN DAILY, DO THEIR BEST, AND ALWAYS BE PREPARED.**

**SCOUTING BUILDS CHARACTER, LEADERSHIP SKILLS, ETHICAL STANDARDS,
AND CONFIDENCE.**

FOR MORE INFO OR TO BE AN ADULT VOLUNTEER:

EMAIL SFA.PACK647@GMAIL.COM

Who? St. Mark families & friends.

What? Potluck Dinner & Game Night. Bring a favorite food dish (green or fruit or pasta salad, chips, meat, dessert, etc.). Bring your favorite board or card game, if you wish.

When? Saturday, September 3 immediately after the 5 pm Mass (around 6 pm).

Where? Cafeteria

Why? Food, fun, & fellowship!

For more information call
Glenn @ 314.803.6475.

***All are welcome to
this pre-Labor Day
gathering.***

