



The Nativity News



Your Weekly Connection to St. Mary's

October 20, 2025

May St. Luke intercede for us that we may deepen our understanding of the gospel and grow in compassion of Jesus. May his intercession enable us to follow Your way and plan for us.

The Principal's Pew

Last week, our teachers gathered in reflection and collaboration to review student data from Beacon, MAP Growth, and report cards, identifying areas of strength and opportunities for growth. In the coming weeks, students will meet one-on-one to set personal learning goals—striving to use their God-given talents to grow academically and spiritually this year.

As we enter the second nine weeks, our days will be filled with many blessings: sports, holiday celebrations, and school activities that strengthen our sense of community and faith. Please continue to stay connected through The Nativity News for all updates and upcoming events.

Blessings,
Mrs. Pertuit

Upcoming Dates:

Tuesday, October 21

Off the Hook (Thibodaux)
Give Back Night

Wednesday, October 29

Soccer Team Portraits

Friday, October 31

Student may wear Halloween shirts, blue jeans or school bottoms, school shoes. (See info and attached flyer.)

Wednesday, November 5



Donuts with Dudes
(sponsored by PTC)

Thursday, November 6

Parent Prayer Circle Night
6:00 – 7:00 pm



A Joyful Celebration of Generosity!



We are thrilled to share the wonderful news that our recent fundraiser, **The Fete**, was a tremendous success! Through the generosity and support of our families, alumni, and community, we reached our goal—raising an incredible **\$51,845.00** for St. Mary's Nativity School!

The Fete serves as one of our school's major fundraisers, and the proceeds play a vital role in bridging the gap between tuition and the true cost of educating each child. Your generosity helps us continue our mission of nurturing faith, virtue, and academic excellence in every student.

This week, our **Annual School Report** will be emailed to all families. We invite you to take a moment to review how your support helps sustain and grow our beloved school.

If you were unable to give during The Fete, we humbly ask you to consider contributing to our **Annual Fund**, which directly supports the daily operations and faith-filled learning experiences at St. Mary's. Annual Fund information will be sent home with students this week.

Together, we are truly living our theme: "Faith Flows, Virtue Grows—Down by the Bayou!"

Fr. Willie Todd

The Catholic Foundation of South Louisiana joins with the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux in prayerful remembrance of Rev. Wilmer "Willie" Todd, a beloved priest, faithful servant, and longtime friend of the Foundation.

St. Mary's has been a recipient of the Fr. Willie Todd Foundation Grant, issuing a gift of \$2,500 for "Launching Virtue-Based Restorative Practices" at school. Teachers were able to receive in-person professional development from the founder of VBRD, Lynne Lang.

Pumpkin Decorating Contest

4H will host our annual pumpkin decorating contest on Monday, October 27th, so get those creative thoughts brewing!

Please see the attached flyer for details.



Candy Crawl Friday, October 31

Introducing a New Halloween Tradition: The Candy Crawl!

This Halloween, St. Mary's Nativity School is excited to kick off our **first-ever Candy Crawl** during the school day on **October 31 from 1:00–2:15 PM!**

Elementary students will rotate through **fun games, simple art activities, and trick-or-treat stations**, making for a **spooktacular afternoon** on campus.

We Need Your Help!

Parent volunteers are essential to make this event a success. If you'd like to help with planning or volunteering on the day of the event, please **join the GroupMe** for updates and coordination.

Candy & Trinket Donations

We're also asking families to donate **individually wrapped candy and small trinkets** to stock our stations. Donations can be sent to school with your child or dropped off at the office.

Check out the **flyer attached for all the details**. Thank you for helping us make this a sweet and memorable new tradition for our students!

Extracurriculars

Volleyball- Last game:
Wednesday, Oct. 22 @ Lockport



Cross Country –Next meet:
Monday, Oct. 20 @ Bayou Country Sports
Saturday, Oct. 25 @ Peltier Park

4H – Pumpkin Contest: Monday, Oct. 27
Sugar & Seafood Contest/ Sew with Cotton:
Saturday, Nov. 1 @ Galliano

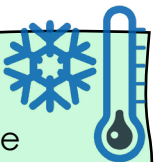
Quiz Bowl – Our team is set to compete
Tuesday, October 28 in Morgan City

Fire & Faith Squad – Proudly recognized the
Cross-Country runners at morning assembly.

Robotics Club – Students who signed up will
receive information from Mrs. Foret.

Soccer – Players will receive info soon on
practices and scheduled games.

Winter Outerwear



As cooler weather approaches, please ensure that your child has school approved outerwear for the colder weather.

Reference the [Student Handbook](#) for details.
Please label all items!

Info to Know:

NO AFTERCARE-
Friday, October 31st



Drop-Off – After 7:47 am, parents must sign
their child in tardy.



OFF *The* HOOK

REAL CAJUN  REAL FAST

FUNDRAISING NIGHT

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21ST | 5PM-9PM

604 NORTH CANAL BLVD | THIBODAUX, LA | 985-493-5352



Let Off The Hook do the cooking
while you support St. Mary's
Nativity School at the same time!

Off The Hook will contribute
10% of all sales to our organization!



♥ THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT! ♥



Join St. Mary's Nativity School in a **PUMPKIN DECORATING** Contest

Show your creativity and decorate a fun pumpkin to share with all! Pumpkins and a \$2.00 entry fee must be received on Monday, October 27th from 7:15- 7:45 AM to be eligible. Pumpkins will be judged and displayed. Winners from each grade will be announced on Wednesday, October 29th. Winners will receive a Halloween treat. Pumpkins may be picked up on Thursday. All pumpkins must be picked up by 2:30 on Friday, October 31st.

Those left will be thrown out.

Rules & Guidelines

1. Only one pumpkin per student will be accepted.
2. Pumpkins must be WHOLE- no carved or scooped out pumpkins will be accepted
3. Pumpkins can be painted & decorated any way you wish.
4. Please Write your name & grade on the bottom of your pumpkin.
5. Drop off pumpkin in St. Andrews Hall by 7:45 with \$2.00 entry fee.



ST. MARY'S NATIVITY SCHOOL

CANDY CRAWL

OUR NEWEST SCHOOL TRADITION

Elementary students will rotate through game, candy, PE, and art stations manned by middle school students, PTC volunteers, and grandparents club volunteers.

**IT'S GOING TO BE A
SPOOKTACULAR TIME!**

**OCTOBER 31
1:00 - 2:15**



S'mores on Sunday

Youth Night

Sunday, October 26th 4:45 – 7:30 pm

Cemetery teachings, s'mores, the rosary, and mass.

Cemetery/St. Andrew Hall/Community Center

Grades 8th -12th



7pm – 8pm in the Community Center