



# SAIN<sup>†</sup> MARK CATHOLIC ACADEMY

*A guiding light for children today.*

November 10, 2020

Dear Families:

I'm sure most of us are eagerly awaiting the day off tomorrow! Staff and students alike have been working hard these past few months, and they are all in need of a well-deserved break. Let's keep in mind, however, the reason for the off day tomorrow—Veterans Day. Thank you to our Saint Mark families who participated in our dress down day last week; we raised almost \$800 for the Wounded Warriors Project!

As we speak, many of our active military are working hard and sacrificing a great deal to ensure our freedoms and liberties. As we approach the holiday season, please take a moment to remember both our active military and our veterans.

Yesterday, Superintendent Dr. Thomas Chadzutko emailed a Veterans Day reflection to principals that someone had sent to him. I'd like to share a portion of that reflection with all of you:

*Take a moment to reflect on the reality that there will be soldiers who will not be able to see their children this coming Thanksgiving or Christmas because they are somewhere fighting for you. Think about our Veterans who have to live with the injuries of the wars they fought for you. Acknowledge how fortunate you may be to be able to spend the holidays with your family and that there are husbands, wives and children that our deceased Veterans leave behind that are not as fortunate and will celebrate without them.*

*Maybe today as you are at the traffic light heading to the grocery store or to work or to a movie with the kids take a moment to reflect on all the freedoms just in today alone that you have been afforded. And remember, that it is because of these selfless unbelievable men and women that have enabled us to continue to live our life freely in this great land.*

Although it's not a national holiday, next Wednesday is also a special day in American history—it's the 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday of Mickey Mouse! On November 18, 1928, Mickey Mouse made his first appearance in the cartoon short "Steamboat Willie." To celebrate, we are having a Disney Dress Down Day, and we're raffling off three Disney Gift Cards! Please see the flyers in today's folder for more information!

Once more, I'd like to remind everyone that the Thanksgiving Recess begins earlier this year, and Saint Mark Catholic Academy will be closed from Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> through Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup>. Maybe we can use that little bit of that extra time to take a moment and thank a veteran!

Sincerely,

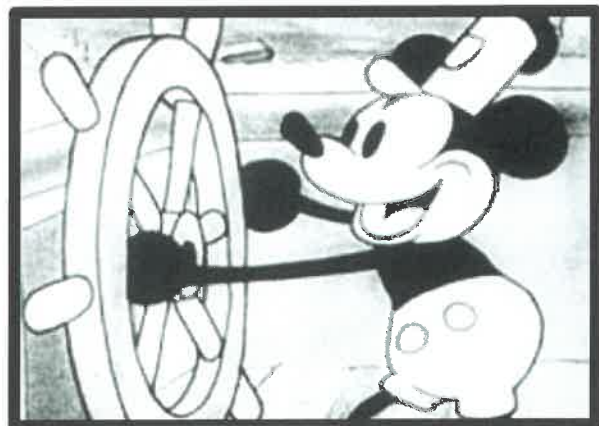
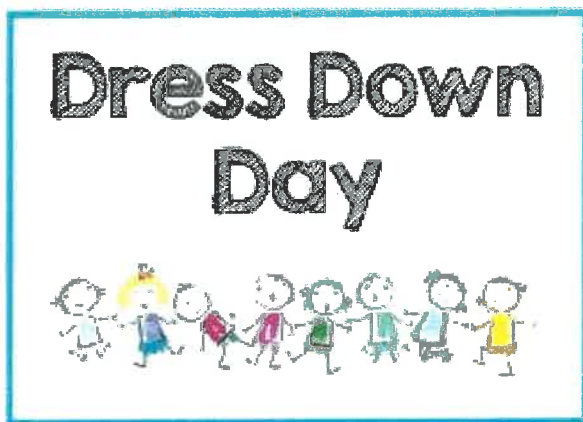
Mr. Mark Wilson  
Principal

# DISNEY DRESS DOWN DAY

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>

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WEAR SOMETHING DISNEY TO CELEBRATE THE 92<sup>ND</sup> BIRTHDAY OF MICKEY MOUSE!  
Please send in dress down money in a clearly labeled envelope with your child's name and grade.



Although it is a dress down day, students are reminded to dress with modesty. Students should adhere to the following attire as described in the Parent-Student Handbook:

- Appropriate length skirt, shorts or dress – no shorter than 3" above the knees
- No torn or tight jeans or pants
- No spaghetti strap tanks, midribs, tube tops, etc.
- No logo type T-shirts
- No hats (unless specifically designated)
- No loose/baggy pants or shorts
- No make-up or nail polish (including gels/French manicures)
- No hoop earrings or excessive jewelry
- No jeggings, leggings or skinny jeans

**Parents will be called to bring a change of clothes for students who do not adhere to these regulations.**

# Disney Gift Card Raffle

**3 RAFFLE TICKETS FOR \$5!**



- 1st Place: \$100 Disney Gift Card
- 2nd Place: \$50 Disney Gift Card
- 3rd Place: \$25 Disney Gift Card



**THAT'S THREE CHANCES TO WIN!**

Raffle Tickets purchased ONLINE ONLY at:

<https://tinyurl.com/y2xppd4yb>



Raffle is open to both in-person and St. Thomas Aquinas program students!

Deadline to purchase raffles is Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Drawing held on Wednesday, November 18th—  
Mickey Mouse's Birthday!**



# SchoolStore.com Fundraiser Reminder

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Dear Families:

Thank you to those of you who have already participated in our SchoolStore.com Fundraising Initiative!

To date, we have 69 students participating! We would like to see all of our families sign up. **There is no cost to you.** After you join, you send out email invitations to family and friends. When they buy something through SchoolStore.com, Saint Mark Catholic Academy receives a percentage of the cost of their purchase.

To participate, please visit:

<https://www.schoolstore.net/sid.t?0000115280>

Thank you for your support!

Mr. Wilson