



March 23, 2022

Dear Families:

The first day of spring was this past Sunday. After a long winter, just the word spring brings about feelings of warmth and joy. In a recent Facebook video, Cardinal Timothy Dolan mentions how fitting it is that Lent is during the season of spring because Lent “brings us from spiritual winter to spiritual spring.” He describes Good Friday as the “winter of Jesus” and the “spring of Jesus” as, of course, Easter Sunday.

Right now, outside is still pretty grim and frigid, so it’s rather difficult to think about spring. Similarly, what we see and hear online and on TV causes a “spiritual winter” in our own hearts, and just like the weather, the bad news can seem unrelenting. That being said, we have to look toward what warms our hearts...what is that good news that brings us joy?

Certainly, the generosity and kindness of our school community brings me great happiness. While it’s wonderful to receive the accolades and see the TV clips and front-page news stories that highlight our students’ charitable giving, what is truly heartwarming is knowing that our school community—students, families, and staff alike—are so willing to share their talents and treasure with those who are in need. Since September, you have supported our veterans, those with breast cancer, our essential workers, future educators, and, of course, the children of Ukraine.

Cardinal Dolan ends his video by saying with Christ’s death, “sin and selfishness” die, too—and we rise to new life with Him. Perhaps nowhere is that more evident than right here on East 19th Street!

Sincerely,

Mr. Mark Wilson

Principal

PIZZA & DRESS DOWN DAY!

Friday, April 1st

\$5

for one slice of pizza and dress down



- All money must be paid in advance by Wednesday, March 30th.
Late payments WILL NOT be accepted.
- No pizza may be purchased on Friday, April 1.
- The Free Lunch Program WILL NOT be available Friday, April 1st, so students not participating MUST bring lunch from home.
- Students participating should bring in a drink from home. (No soda.)
No drinks will be available.
- There is no fee for 3K and PreK students, but donations are accepted. Thank you!

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, midriffs, 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.

PIZZA DAY ORDER FORM

Friday, April 1st

Child's Name _____ Grade _____

If you would like to order any additional slices of pizza, one additional slice is \$3.

One slice of pizza and dress down: \$5
Additional slices: ___ @ \$3 each: + \$___
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$___

Fish Fry

Friday, March 25th

At: 7pm

"Dinner will be in the Saint Mark School Cafeteria"



Food Prices: *All Fish Dinners will receive French Fries and a Beverage!

Adults - \$20.00

Kids - \$10.00 (Ages 16 & under)

If you have any further questions, please call Michael Davis @ 347-574-1828

St. Mark - St. Margaret Mary Family Picnic

Saturday, April 30th from 11:00 AM until 6:00 PM



A Taste of Honey at Nansen Park

*3465 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 for kid &

our Roaring Lion Raffle Drawing!

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

Wine \$4/glass, Beer \$5/bottle

Close with Vigil Mass for Sun. at 5 pm

(No outside alcohol permitted on premises)



Free on site Parking

SAINT MARK CATHOLIC ACADEMY SUPPORTS THE NYPD

As part of an ongoing fundraiser, we will be selling **BLUE BOWS** in support of the New York City Police Department and all law enforcement agencies.

For a **\$5 donation**, a family will have a bow placed on our fence on East 19th Street. Also, each child will be entitled to a **BLUE DRESS DOWN** on the day of their choice.

The fundraiser will begin **February 10th** and end on **April 13th**.

All funds will support the **NYC PBA Widows and Children's Fund**.



Saint Mark Catholic Academy • BLUE BOW SALE **\$5 Donation for each bow**

Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____
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Number of bows to purchase: _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____



SAINT MARK CATHOLIC ACADEMY'S FRIDAY PIZZA DINNER RAFFLE



ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT SAINT MARK CATHOLIC ACADEMY!

Sponsored by

V&S PIZZA

1723 Emmons Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11235



For \$20, your family has
SIX (6) chances to win a family pizza dinner
package from **V&S Pizza!**

The family pizza package includes...

- A large cheese pizza
- Two orders of garlic knots
- A 1.5-liter bottle of soda



Drawings will be held on:

March 4th • March 11th • March 18th • March 25th • April 1st • April 8th

Raffles can be bought throughout the six weeks. • Winners will not be removed.
Multiple opportunities to win!

FRIDAY PIZZA DINNER RAFFLE

Family Name: _____

Number of Raffles: _____ @ \$20 each = Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Winners will get a voucher to bring to V&S. No deliveries.