Week of November 10, 2025





Saint Martin of Tours was a 4th-century soldier turned bishop, famed for his generosity—one memorable story is of him cutting his cloak in half to share with a freezing beggar, and then later seeing Christ wearing that half-cloak in a vision.

Saint Martin, you clothed the cold and stood for Christ with courage. Pray for us that we may see Christ in the stranger, give generously of what we have, and lead lives rooted in humility and compassion. Amen.

<u>Dates to Remember</u>

Tuesday November 4th - Wednesday November 19th

Food Drive Competition

Sunday, November 9th:

Children's Mass @ 9:00 am

5th Grade leads

Monday, November 10th - 16th

Scholastic Book Fair

Thursday, November 13th:

Veteran's Day Breakfast @ 8:30-9:30

Sunday, November 16th:

Children's Mass @ 9:00 am

4th Grade leads

<u>Monday - Friday, November 24th - November 28th:</u>

Thanksgiving Break - No School

Tuesday - Friday December 2nd-5th

Santa Shop

Wednesday & Thursday -December 17th & 18th

Christmas Program



Blue and Gold Winner:





Veteran's Day Breakfast

Thursday, November 13th @ 8:30-9:30 Please click or copy the link to sign up to attend:

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Thanksgiving Break

Monday 24th - 28th No School





Food Drive



Bring in your cans or non perishable items everyday.

Santa Shop December 2nd - 5th

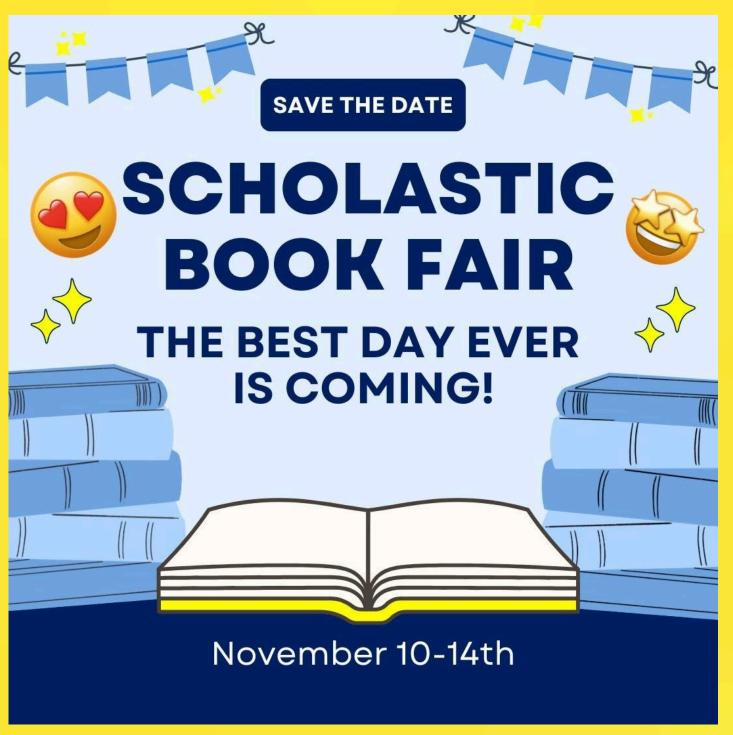


<u>Christmas Program</u>

Wednesday & Thursday December 17 & 18



The performance schedule is included in the newsletter.





- Shop during normal scheduled Library classes November 10-14th
- After the 9am and 11am mass on Sunday November 16th

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

- Create an EWALLET and start shopping now!
- Shop during normal scheduled Library classes Monday -Friday November 10-14th.
- Sunday, November 16th after the 9am and 11am mass.











Start shopping now!



Want more Book Fair? No problem! Keep the party going online. All book purchases over \$35 ship free and every purchase benefits our school!



TO: Parents of 1st-6th graders

FR: Terese G. Evans (Music)

RE: City of Gulfport Tree Lighting Event

The City of Gulfport has requested our St. James Singing Angels (1st-6th graders) sing at their Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on Dec. 2nd (Tuesday) at 5:00 pm (meet in front of City Hall). Santa Claus will be making an appearance along with the Mayor of Gulfport and numerous city

The children will learn their music during school. Students should wear their school uniform with some type of Christmas-themed hat (i.e. Santa hat, reindeer antlers, Christmas tree hat, elf hat etc). It is an honor that our school has been selected for this performance and I hope to have a good turnout. Please return this form to Mrs. Evans. My child can perform:

(Student Name)	(Grade)	

(Guardian Name)

officials.





DATE: 10/27/25

TO: Parents of PK4-6th Grade Students

FR: Terese G. Evans - Music/Art

RE: 2025 Christmas Program Performance Schedule

Students in PK4-6th grades will start rehearsing for our Christmas program this week. Our Christmas program is December 17 (Wednesday) & 18 (Thursday) at 7:00pm in the gym. The Christmas program is MANDATORY (as stated in the SJS Handbook) and will be their 2nd Quarter grade in Music. A detailed costume requirement will be sent to you the week before Thanksgiving break. Students must perform with their class according to the schedule below (NO SWAPS will be considered):

Wednesday Dec. 17

PK4-2 (Monique Guillot)

K-2 (Sharon Nelson)

1-A (Kathy Saucier)

2-A (Magen Sullivan)

3-A (Victoria Williams)

4-A (Melissa Yates)

5-A (Lillian Starks)

6-A (Michelle Moreno)

Thursday Dec. 18 =======

PK4-1 (Stacey Cox)

K-1 (Lisa Holder)

1-1 (Danique Freeman)

2-1 (Jamie Lindsey)

3-1 (Sindy Holder)

4-1 (Denene Jordan)

5-1 (Susan Ladner)

6-1 (Dee Stevens)

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Shamracks & Snowflakes December 6, 2025

Christmas Festival Alongside Tree, Wreath & Garland Sale

Sponsored by:



Support our student-athletes and bring home the magic of Christmas with a premium Christmas tree from Shatley Farms, grown in the mountains of North Carolina.

Pre-order to guarantee your fresh-cut tree, then make plans for you and your family to join us for the festival on the campus of St. Patrick Catholic High School on December 6 to not only pick up your order but enjoy over a dozen fun-filled booths!



Fresh Fraser Fir Trees up to 10' \$100 - \$200



22" Fresh Fraser Fir Wreaths



25' Fresh Garland (Fraser Fir or Cedar)





Pick up your tree during our Christmas Festival Saturday, December 6, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. @ St. Patrick!



We will offer ice cream on Friday. Students must have cash in order to purchase ice cream. All of the ice cream products that we sell are approved by the state office of Child Nutrition and fall within the guidelines of our Wellness Policy.

<u>PK-3, PK-4, Kindergarten and 1st Grade:</u> Students can bring money in a zip-lock bag with their name on it. If you would like to pay in advance, teachers will keep up with the money in the zip-lock bag. They will send the bag home when it is empty.

<u>2nd - 6th Grade:</u> Students will purchase their own ice cream and will be responsible for keeping up with their money.



All ice cream is \$1.00



November 10th - November 14th

Monday

TRAY: Chicken Spaghetti, garlic bread, green beans, vanilla cupcake TOTE: Spicy chicken sandwich, Cool Ranch Doritos, Oreo cookies

Fruit and Yogurt

Tuesday

TRAY: Chicken nuggets, buttered roll, mashed potatoes/gravy, peas

TOTE: Italian sub sandwich, chips, orange slices

Chef Salad

Wednesday

TRAY: Pizza, dressings table, French fries, banana

TOTE: French dip Roastbeef sandwich w/side of gravy, chips, plum

Fruit & Yogurt

Thursday

TRAY: Loaded Mac & Cheese bowl, chicken & shrimp, Choose your toppings, brownie

TOTE: Ham & Cheese sandwich, chips, fudge round

Chef Salad

Friday

TRAY: Hamburger & Dressings, French fries or pickle chips, pickle spear, apple

TOTE: Grilled cheese, pickle flavored chips, apple

Fruit & Yogurt

UNIFORM POLICY

We have been noticing many deviations from our school uniform policy, especially:

- the length / style of hair on our boys
- the length of skorts our girls are wearing

The St. James Catholic School uniform policy is found on page 13 of the Student Handbook, which is posted on our school website at: www.stjamesgulfport.com Click on the Parent tab, and the Student Handbook is in the dropbox.

Boys' hair should:

- not go past the eyebrow
- should not touch the top of the shirt collar
- sides should be no longer than mid-ear
- no rat-tails or fad hair styles allowed

Girls' skorts should be of modest length. Use the following as guidelines:

- No shorter than 4 inches from the floor when the child is kneeling
- Should fall at least 2 to 3 inches past fingertips when the child is standing.

If a student wears jewelry, only religious necklaces are allowed, under the school uniform shirt. Girls may wear stud earrings ONLY.

Uniform violations will start to be sent home. After two violations, detentions will be given. Everyone is welcome to shop in our uniform closet if you need new uniform pieces. It is a great place to start, and everything is free.

Thank you for your assistance with enforcing our school uniform policy.





Did you know! ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Missing a day of school here and there may not seem like much, but it adds up!

When a student misses 2 days a month:

- They will miss 20 days a year
- They will miss 30 hours of math over the school year
- They will miss 60 hours of reading and writing over the school year
- They will miss over a year of school by graduation

When a student misses 4 days a month:

- They will miss 40 days a year
- They will miss 60 hours of math over the school year
- They will miss 120 hours of reading and writing over the school year
- They will miss over 2 years of school by graduation

St. James Catholic School

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2025 – 2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR

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Quarter 1- July 31 to October 2
Quarter 2 - October 3 to December 19
Quarter 3 - January 5 to March 11
Quarter 4 - March 12 to May 22
First Day of School - July 31
Labor Day - September 1
Fall Holiday - October 6-10
Thanksgiving - November 24 - 28
Christmas - December 22 - January 2
Parent/Teacher Conferences - January 16
MLK, Jr. Holiday - January 19
Mardi Gras - February 16-17
ITBS Testing - TBA
Good Friday - April 3
Easter Holidays - April 3 to 10
6th Grade Graduation - May 21

Last Day of School - May 22