St. Mark Home School Association Meeting Minutes



October 20, 2025 – 7:00pm

The purpose of the St. Mark School HSA is for the home to support the school through fundraising, community building, and charitable works.

• Welcome - Alex Sliva

- Introduction of officers, HSA Board and Faculty Representative
- Opening Prayer & Comments Melissa Warner
- HSA Calendar Upcoming Events Alex Sliva
 - Monster Mash Friday, October 24, 2025
 - o Trunk or Treat October 26, 2025
 - Bottles & Cans Drive Saturday, November 1, 2025 10:00-12:00 pm
 - o Children's Mass Sunday, November 2, 2025 9:30 am
 - o Winter Uniform Begins Monday, November 3, 2025
 - o First Friday/All Saints Day Mass K-8 Friday, November 7, 2025 8:00 am
 - o Preschool & Kindergarten Open House Sunday, November 9, 2025 10:00-12:00 pm
 - Veterans Day Assembly Tuesday, November 11, 2025 (time TBD)
 - o School Photos Monday, November 17, 2025
 - State of the School Monday, November 17, 2025 7:00 pm
 - School Photos PK Students Tuesday, November 18, 2025
 - o Snack Shop Grades K-8 Wednesday, November 19, 2025
 - o Dress Down Day Thursday, November 20, 2025
 - Lyman Orchard Pie Delivery Monday, November 24, 2025 (pickup times TBD)
 - o K-8 Parent Teacher Conferences Monday, November 24, 2025 3:00 7:00 pm
 - o K-8 Parent Teacher Conferences Tuesday, November 25, 2025 12:00-5:00 pm
 - Giving Tuesday Tuesday, December 2, 2025
 - First Friday Mass Grades K-8 Friday, December 5, 2025 8:00 am
 - Christmas Tree Raffle Friday, December 5, 2025 Monday, December 22, 2025
 - o Christmas Breakfast & Cookie Sale Parish Sunday, December 7, 2025
 - Children's Mass Sunday, December 7, 2025 9:30 am
 - Snack Shop Grades K-8 Wednesday, December 10, 2025
 - O Dress Down Day Thursday, December 11, 2025
 - Christmas Performance PK3-Grade 8 Friday, December 12, 2025 8:30 am
 - o Christmas Breakfast Snow Date Sunday, December 14, 2025
 - o Santa Sale Tuesday, December 16, 2025 & Thursday December 18, 2025
 - Christmas Sweater Dress Down Thursday, December 18, 2025

St. Mark School

Melissa Warner, Principal

<u>Home School Association</u> Officers

Alex Sliva, President

Jamie McEnaney, Vice President

Sarah Pucci, Recording Secretary

- Christmas Performance Snow Date Center Friday, December 19, 2025 8:30 am
- o Mass K-8 Tuesday, December 23, 2025 8:00 am
- o Pageant Gr. 1 Tuesday, December 23, 2025 9:30 am
- O Bottles & Cans Drive Saturday, January 3, 2026 10:00-12:00 pm
- o Children's Mass Sunday, January 4, 2025 9:30 am
- o School Photo Retakes Tuesday, January 6, 2026
- o Mass, PK3-8 Friday, January 9, 2026
- O Snack Shop Grades K-8 Wednesday, January 14, 2026
- o Dress Down Day Thursday, January 15, 2026
- o Class, Club & Team Photos Thursday, January 22, 2026
- Open House Entire School Sunday, January 25, 2026 10:00-12:00 pm
- Catholic Schools Week School events Sunday, January 25, 2026-Friday, January 30, 2026
- o Color Wars PK3-Grade 8 Details to be announced
- o 100th Day of School Details to be announced
- o First Friday Mass Grades PK3-8 Friday, February 6, 2026 8:00 am
- o Bottles & Cans Drive School Saturday, February 7, 2026 10:00-12:00 pm
- o Children's Mass Sunday, February 8, 2026 9:30 am

• New upcoming event - Cultural Event - Marlene Shute (chairperson)

- o To be hosted on Saturday, March 28 (time tbd) Open house-style event
- Mrs. Shute is planning an amazing event for families. Event will include:
 - Tables for families to display their cultural heritage (food, costumes, pictures, etc.)
 - Children will receive a passport and earn a stamp for each "country" visited
 - Other activities include: concessions, music, games, book readings in various languages, raffles, etc.

• Meeting dates for the year - Alex Sliva

- o February 9, 2026
- o May 4, 2026

• Chairperson Event Guidelines - Alex Sliva

- Guidelines are <u>strict</u> and <u>must</u> be adhered to
- All decisions are finalized by Mrs. Warner not event chairs

• Volunteer Requirements - Alex Sliva

- o 30 service hours per family due by June 1, 2026
- If two family members volunteer for an event, each earns the hours. For example, if two parents volunteer for an event for 1 hour, 2 service hours are given to the family
- Each hour is worth \$10. Unmet hours at the end of the year are billed at \$10 per hour
- o Families should record hours even after 30 hours are met

• VIRTUS Requirements - Melissa Warner

- o All volunteers coming in contact with students must be Virtus trained
- Virtus compliant includes a background check

• Fundraising Status - Jamie McEnaney

- o HSA Fundraising goal is \$30,000 for the 2025-2026 school year
- o Bottle and Cans \$1255.06
- o Meadow Farms Fundraiser \$ 2804.35
- **Output YTD Fundraising Total \$4,059.41**

• Service Projects - Jamie McEnaney

- We donated lots of Halloween costumes to Sterling Community Center. They were very grateful for our donations.
- Cut-a-thon raised \$3300 to donate to Swim Across the Sound

• Wrap Up & Closing Prayer - Alex Sliva

• Thank you to all who attended the HSA meeting. Your commitment to our children and the greater school community does not go unnoticed!