



CHALLENGING MINDS ● DEVELOPING CHARACTER ● LIVING JESUS

Dear Families,

Thank you for attending parent-teacher conferences! Conferences are a great time to share academic progress but more importantly, help us strengthen connections between a child's home life and school life. While we schedule "official" conference times twice a year, please know that we are available to conference with you anytime you have questions or concerns about your child.

ORANGE AND BLACK DAY – In celebration of Halloween, Monday, October 31 has been declared Orange and Black Day. Students may be out of uniform to wear fall colors. No costumes or masks please.

HELP NEEDED – We seem to be coming up short on playground helpers recently. If you can spare some time, please consider signing up for a day. The benefits: It's a fairly easy volunteer gig, you will get lots of fresh air, and your children will love seeing you here at school! Please [check out the Sign Up](#) for an open day.

SETON VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT- Pool play begins next week. Our eighth-grade girls start pool play on Wednesday, November 2, at the Milwaukee Sting Center, Court 1. Pool play begins at 5:30 PM. The top two teams from each pool plus the top four of the six, third place teams will advance to bracket play which begins on Friday, November 4. Please consider coming out to cheer on our team! *Let's Go Warriors!!*

If the predictions are correct, it looks like we might be in for a vicious flu/ COVID/RSV season. Now is a good time to start preparing and here are a few things we can do to be proactive:

- The teachers will be reviewing good hygiene with the kids, especially [proper handwashing](#). I am hoping that you can also reinforce this at home.
- Please remind (and nag) your child/ren to wash/sanitize their hand before putting anything in their mouths, to cover their coughs and sneezes, and to never share food or to drink from one another's water bottles.
- Talk to your pediatrician to make sure your kids are up-to-date on their vaccinations.
- Lastly, please keep your kiddos home when they are ill. They may return to school after they are 24 hours fever and symptom free.

Faithfully, Linda Joyner

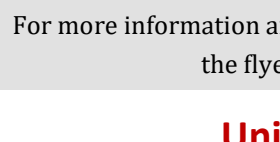
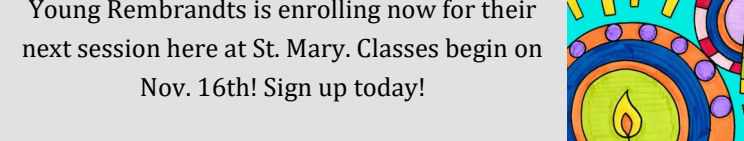
St. Mary's Theatre Guild is still looking for help. Please share this flyer with anyone you know who may be interested!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct. 27th**
School Conferences (3-6pm)
- Oct. 28th**
No School/ Conferences(8am-1pm)
- Oct. 31st**
Out of Uniform Day: Wear Black and Orange for Halloween
- Nov. 1st**
All Saints Day Mass, 8:10am
- Nov. 2nd**
SETON tournament begins (8th gr. Girls) at 5:30pm at the Milwaukee Sting Center
- Nov. 7th**
Home and School Meeting, 7pm
- Nov. 8th**
Fundraiser Night at Smart Cow
- Nov. 11th**
Trivia Night
- Nov. 18th**
Middle School Dance (more info to come)
- Nov. 23 - 25**
Thanksgiving Break
- Nov. 30 - Dec. 2**
Holiday Treasures Gift Shop

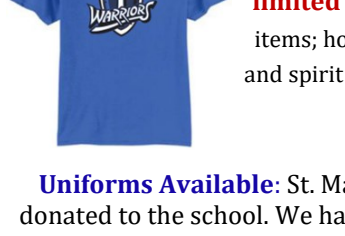
[View Full Calendar](#)

Pumpkins, Math, and Science?
While pumpkin carving with their eighth grade buddies was fun, first graders also engaged in math and science activities using their pumpkins. After completing some pumpkin seed math activities, students enjoyed eating the pumpkin seeds (roasted by their buddies). Before taking their pumpkins home, they were challenged to design and construct a tower that would support the weight of the pumpkin. Who knew



The Nation's Report Card Shows Catholic Schools are Excelling, Post-Pandemic — Check out the [Press Release Here](#).

VIP has completed all student portraits and is requesting all families select your child's pose for the yearbook before Tuesday, Nov. 1st. If you still need to do so, please go [here](#). You will be able to view and select their yearbook pose as well as place portrait orders, if needed. Thank you!



The Instant Guide to Time Management for Kids

Teaching children organizational skills is key to helping them succeed in school and life. Check out [this article](#) to learn more.

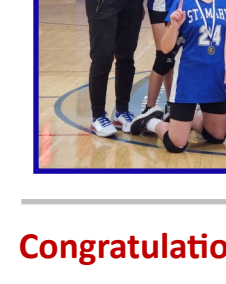
Young Rembrandts is enrolling now for their next session here at St. Mary. Classes begin on Nov. 16th! Sign up today!



For more information and to register, check out the flyer [here](#).

Uniform and Spirit Wear Updates:

OUT-OF-UNIFORM DAY: Monday, Oct. 31st!
Students are encouraged to wear black and orange on Monday in celebration of Halloween!



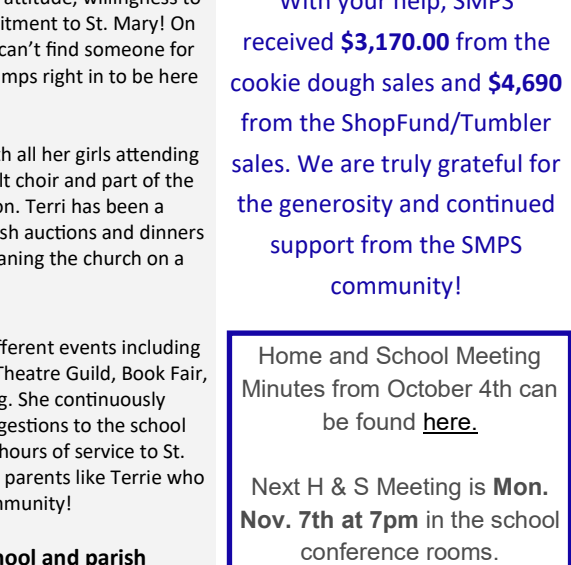
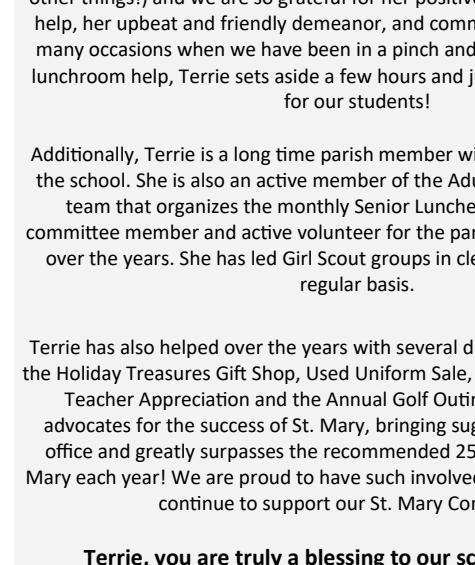
Don't forget: School and Athletic Spirit Wear is available for a limited time through Burghardt's. Spirit wear items are NOT uniform items; however, spirit wear items may be worn to school on out-of-uniform and spirit wear days. **The spirit wear store closes on Monday, Oct. 31st**, so don't delay. [Click here to shop!](#)

Uniforms Available: St. Mary currently has a surplus of extra uniforms that have been donated to the school. We have the following sizes available: 4/5, 6, 7, 8, 10/12, 14, 16, 18. We've noticed a lot of growth spurts happening this year, so if your child/children need any extra uniform pieces, please check out the tables near the office when you come for conferences! ****Our Lost & Found Bin has also been overflowing. Please check for any items your child may have lost!**

Congratulations to our 5th Grade Girls Volleyball Team!

St. Mary's 5th grade girls volleyball team won both the Matthew Division and also the St. Mary's Tournament last week. Way to go, girls! They wrapped up the top spot in the division on Saturday and are undefeated in the division play this year. Then on Sunday, in the tournament championship match, they had a thrilling come-from-behind win against a talented Holy Angels team. We are super proud of the girls for the hard work they put in all season at practice and for their energy and teamwork during games. They are fun to watch and do a great job representing St Mary's.

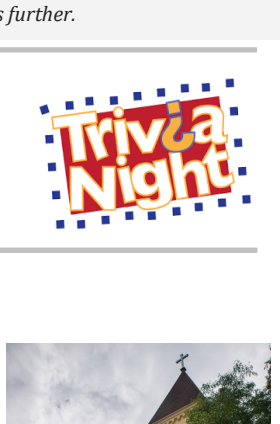
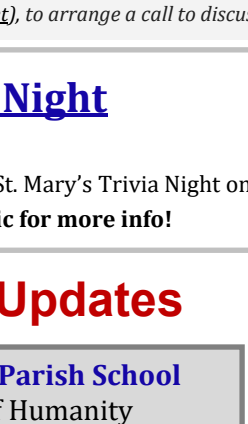
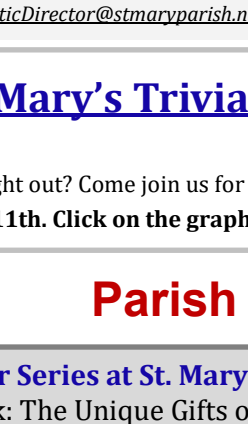
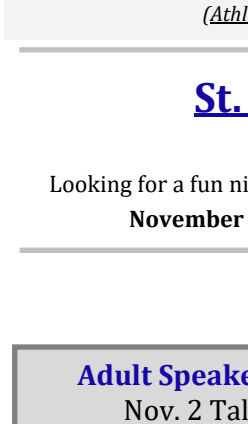
Congratulations to Alyssa, Aubri, Ava, Grace, Jessica, Josie, Kylee and Penny!



Congratulations to our St. Mary's "Young at Art" 2022 Nominees:

Congratulations to our St. Mary's "Young at Art 2022" nominees: Jordyn Lemminger, 4th; Jessica Stelpflug, 5th; Tilly Micallef, 7th; and Isabella Koslo, 8th!

These 4 students were nominated for this special art show sponsored by the Art Guild of Menomonee Falls for demonstrating exceptional interest, outstanding effort, keen passion and talent during the past year in art class. Twenty-two students were nominated by their art teachers in public and private schools across Menomonee Falls, and their selected artwork will be on display through November 22 at the Art Lounge Gallery. (N88 W16567 Main Street, Menomonee Falls).



Stop by to see this wonderful student exhibit!

Home & School Updates

Volunteer Spotlight: Terrie Frankowski

Terrie has been a long-standing lunchroom volunteer at St. Mary, (among other things!) and we are so grateful for her positive attitude, willingness to help, her upbeat and friendly demeanor, and commitment to St. Mary! On many occasions when we have been in a pinch and can't find someone for lunchroom help, Terrie sets aside a few hours and jumps right in to be here for our students!

Additionally, Terrie is a long time parish member with all her girls attending the school. She is also an active member of the Adult choir and part of the team that organizes the monthly Senior Luncheon. Terri has been a committee member and active volunteer for the parish auctions and dinners over the years. She has led Girl Scout groups in cleaning the church on a regular basis.

Terrie has also helped over the years with several different events including the Holiday Treasures Gift Shop, Used Uniform Sale, Theatre Guild, Book Fair, Teacher Appreciation and the Annual Golf Outing. She continuously advocates for the success of St. Mary, bringing suggestions to the school office and greatly surpasses the recommended 25 hours of service to St. Mary each year! We are proud to have such involved parents like Terrie who continue to support our St. Mary Community!

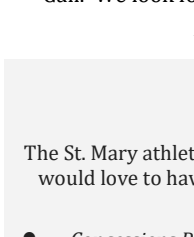
Terrie, you are truly a blessing to our school and parish community! Thank you!

Cookie Dough/ShopFund Fundraiser Update

Thank you SMPS Families! With your help, SMPS received **\$3,170.00** from the cookie dough sales and **\$4,690** from the ShopFund/Tumbler sales. We are truly grateful for the generosity and continued support from the SMPS community!

Home and School Meeting Minutes from October 4th can be found [here](#).

Next H & S Meeting is **Mon. Nov. 7th at 7pm** in the school conference rooms. All are invited to attend.



Scholastic Book Fair — Thank you!!!

Our book fair generated \$3,800 in sales and will contribute \$1,600 in "Scholastic Dollars" for our school to purchase additional Scholastic resources for our school and library! Thank you to all of the Scholastic Book Fair volunteers that contributed to putting books into the hands of our students: Ashley Phillips, Jamie Wahlgren, Amy Weyker, Sarah Harenke, Jenny Nygaard, Carla Karczewski, Christine Courtney, Libby Hietpas, Kristin Stanek, Kari Pollard, Kristin Latham, Emily Rinzel, Maria Schmelzer, Shelly Lemminger, Angela Bonner, Pam Woznick, Terrie Frankowski, Emily Brockman, Heather Jurgenson, and Anne Gall. We look forward to our **next Scholastic Book Fair April 17-21st!** Please contact Katie Esser or Ashley Phillips if you are interested in helping plan our next book fair!

Come Join the Athletic Board

The St. Mary athletic board is looking to fill two positions that will be vacated at the end of this school year. We would love to have a fourth-grade parent who expects to be involved in sports for the next few years join us, though anyone is welcome. The two positions we will have open are:

- **Concessions Purchaser:** The position is responsible for stocking food and maintaining the concession stand. This position should make sure all food is properly priced to make a profit, while maintaining a selection that is appealing to families.
- **Equipment Coordinator:** This position is responsible for maintaining the equipment and uniforms needed by athletes.

Anyone interested should reach out to the athletic director, John Wiese (AthleticDirector@stmaryparish.net), to arrange a call to discuss further.

St. Mary's Trivia Night

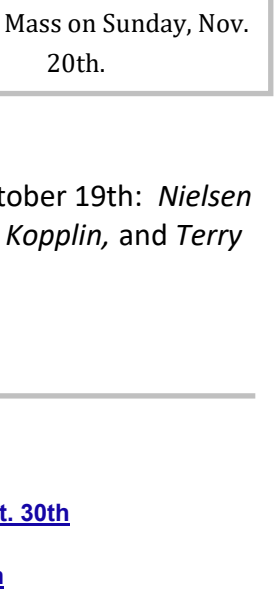
Looking for a fun night out? Come join us for St. Mary's Trivia Night on **November 11th. Click on the graphic for more info!**



Parish Updates

Adult Speaker Series at St. Mary Parish School
Nov. 2 Talk: The Unique Gifts of Humanity

Join us for an adult speaker series on the Catholic Social Teachings of the Church on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 6:40 pm in the Conference rooms of the St. Mary Parish building, unless otherwise noted. All are welcome. The next talk, "The Unique Gifts of Humanity" will be presented on Nov. 2 by Susan McNeil, who directs the Office for Lay Ministry in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.



Movie Night: "The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe" on Nov. 6

Join us for a movie night featuring C.S. Lewis's "The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe," at 5:30 pm. on Sunday, Nov. 6 at St. Anthony Parish. Snacks provided. All middle and high school students are welcome to enjoy an evening of entertainment, food and fellowship. To register, contact Karissa Tousignant, associate director of discipleship & evangelization, at tousignantk@stam.church

Save the Date: Nov. 20 - "Prepare for Jesus" Family Advent Event

St. Mary Parish Faith Formation is hosting an event to get the entire family in the spirit of Advent after the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, Nov. 20th.

Calendar Raffle Winners

Congratulations to these **\$30 raffle winners** drawn on October 19th: *Nielsen Family, Dean Phillips, Patricia Gagnon, Meggie and Andy Kopplin, and Terry Nolan.*

Thank you for your support!

In the Community

- [Chesterton Academy Open House — Sun. Oct. 30th](#)
- [DSHA DASH Winter Basketball Program](#)

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