THE CONNECTION

Weekly Newsletter



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Dear Families,

April 8, 2022

What a great day! It was so wonderful to welcome nearly 250 grandparents and special friends to our school today. As you know, we tried utilizing a schedule this year to eliminate overcrowding in certain areas. There are a few kinks to work out, but we received a lot of positive feedback from grandparents who appreciated the changes that were made. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! I so appreciate all the planning and hard work that our teachers, staff, and parent volunteers did to make this special day run smoothly. Check out our Facebook page for photos.

Since the weather forecast is not very conducive for outdoor activities this weekend it is the perfect time to go to the **Annual Parochial School Art Show** at the Menomonee Falls Library. Every student has something on display and there are over 250 pieces of art to enjoy!

REMINDER: Activity pictures will be taken on Monday, April 11. Students having their pictures taken should wear their school gym uniforms unless their team purchased individual jerseys. Scouts may wear their vests, sashes, or shirts w/neck ties.

Eighth-grade students will be leading and enacting the **STATIONS OF THE CROSS on Tuesday, April 12th at 1:00 p.m. in the Activity Center.** If you would like to join us to pray the Stations, please RSVP to the school office so we know how many extra chairs to set up.

NEW THIS YEAR! We will be implementing **Theology of the Body** (TOB) in grades K5-8th using the Rooted and Revealed programs published by Ruah Woods Press. TOB lessons cover the Family Life component of the religion curriculum. Theology of the Body helps students understand how they were created in the image of God and guides them to see themselves and others the way God intended. For more information about Theology of the Body, please read <u>this parent introduction letter</u> and check out the video and parent information on this <u>website</u>

Faithfully,

Linda Joyner



- 11 Yearbook Activity Pics
- 12 Stations of the Cross, 1pm activity center
- 15 Good Friday—NO SCHOOL
- 18 EASTER BREAK—NO SCHOOL
- 19 EASTER BREAK—NO SCHOOL
- 22 Movie Night-6:3
- 27-30 8th Grade DC Trip
- 30 1st Reconciliation, gr 2
- May 1 1st Eucharist, gr. 2

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Tornado Awareness

Do you have a safety plan?

Join us in the Palm Sunday Procession

Msgr. Shecterle and Fr. Linn would like to invite St. Mary Parish School families to join them in a Palm Sunday Eucharistic Procession following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. <u>The</u> <u>Procession will start at St. Mary Church and end at St.</u> <u>Anthony.</u> Shuttle transportation will bring walkers back to their cars at St. Mary. Join us in song and prayer as we prepare for Holy Week!

Palm Sunday

April 1 is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Keep Children & Teens Safe Online

April is National Child Abuse Month. During this month, we join the Archdiocese of Milwaukee in raising awareness of how we as a Catholic community can work to maintain safe environments in our parishes and schools for our children to live, learn and play. This includes the virtual and cyber worlds where our children spend much of their time. Here you can find a few tips to keep children and teens safe online.

Monday is Activity Picture Day!

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Come and See all the Beautiful Works of Art at the Annual Parochial School ART SHOW

The Menomonee Falls Public Library will be hosting the Spring Parochial School Art Show April 7th to 28th this year. This is a special event that entails displaying over 250 pieces of art from





each of our school children in grades K4-8 in our community library for all to appreciate!

For a sneak peak, click on the picture on the left.

<u>Learn more here.</u>

SOLES FOR JESUS

Several St. Mary middle school students and their parents volunteered at <u>Soles for Jesus</u> this past Tuesday. Volunteer slots are still available for Saturday, April 24rd!

See more pictures here.

Soles for Jesus is located at 8835 W. Heather Avenue in Milwaukee, WI 53224. It's about a 10 minute drive from St. Mary's.



A Friendly Reminder About Your Sacrifical Giving Obligation

After school on Monday, March 28 In order to receive the parishioner tuition rate, your sacrificial giving to the parish must meet the minimum \$780 obligation per school year. Please contact the Parish Business Office if you are unsure if you have met your obligation. All giving is due by May 31st. Thank you for your prompt attention.

Calendar Raffle Winner

Congratulations to these \$30 raffle winners drawn on April 6th: *James Lenahan, Kay Frederick, Lilah McCabe and Douglas Hempel.* And to this \$150 winner drawn on April 8th: *Bob Kohlmetz.* Thank you for your support.

In the Community

- <u>St. Mary's Summer Youth Program</u> <u>Register here</u>.
- Gosz Camp—Fundamentals grades 1-8
- <u>Gosz Coed Academy—Grades 3-8</u>
- <u>Adversity Summer Volleyball programs</u>
- Rocket Acquatics Swim
- NFL Alumni Heroes from Your Favorite NFL Team is hosting Summer Camps for Boys and Girls ages 6-14. <u>Check it out</u>.
- DSHA Summer Cool Camps for girls grades 1-9.
- Play with Purpose; <u>UPWARD Baseball League</u>.



2021-22 Academic Calendar

Change of Dismissal

Hot Lunch Menu

Volunteer Opportunities



Scrip Schedule

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