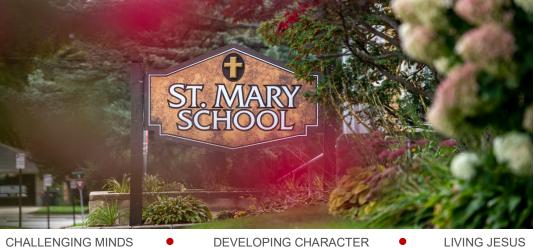
Oct. 20, 2023

# THE CONNECTION

Weekly Newsletter



Dear Families,

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Please join us tomorrow for the Catholic Schools Walk! Thanks to your help, as of this morning, we hit our goal of raising \$30,000! The Catholic Schools Walk is one of our "BIG THREE" fundraisers for the school year. These funds are an important part of our operating budget which helps us support teacher salaries and...WE GET TO KEEP 100% OF **EVERYTHING WE RAISE!** We will be taking

donations through the entire month of October, so keep those donations coming and share with your neighbors, friends and family! Click here to donate or Text SCHOOLSWALK101 to 71777. Our goal per student is \$140. The Walk will be held at Rotary Park tomorrow

(Saturday, October 21st). The 1.3-mile walk is from 8:30-10:00 am, with a prayer and photo at the start of the walk at 9:15am. Enjoy the route activities, treats and community! We appreciate your continued support in helping us reach our goal and hope that you can join us on the walk! Haven't registered but want to walk? It's not too late! Register for the Walk here! Thank you again for all your support!

Below are the standings as of this morning! Reminder: the bowling party competition is based on the highest "Raised per Student" as of 10/31/23 -10:00 pm CST. Congrats to the 6 classrooms (1st, 3rd, 6th - Burleigh, 8th - Mrozinski, 4th, and K3) who have met their classroom goal and have raised over \$140/student!

Teacher/Classroom	Number of Students	Classroom Goal	Raised \$ as of 10/20 11:30am	Raised Per Student
1st Ms. Kaminski	15	\$2,100	\$2,785	\$186
3rd Mrs. Kleinmann	17	\$2,380	\$3,075	\$181
6th Mr. Burleigh	13	\$1,820	\$2,265	\$174
8th Mrs. Mrozinski	19	\$2,660	\$3,270	\$172
4th Ms. Curran	18	\$2,520	\$2,640	\$147
K3 Mrs. Schmitt	9	\$1,260	\$1,316	\$146
8th Mrs. Nennig	19	\$2,660	\$2,620	\$138
K4 Mrs. Bingenheimer	23	\$3,220	\$2,960	\$129
K5 Mrs. Hartwig	17	\$2,380	\$2,110	\$124
5th Ms. Schaefer	17	\$2,380	\$1,990	\$117
2nd Mrs. Halverson	14	\$1,960	\$1,545	\$110
7th Mrs. Schroeder	19	\$2,660	\$1,925	\$101
6th Mr Wroblewski	13	\$1,820	\$855	\$66
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We also want to send a big "thank you" to everyone who brought in canned goods and food supplies for our "Buy Out" of Uniform day today in support of our Catholic Schools Walk and our Food Drive! Thanks to your donations, the Menomonee Falls Food Pantry will be stocked up with a wonderful amount of needed items! We were very happy to see our Food Pantry donation boxes literally overflowing with food items to help support our local community! Additional food donations can be brought to the Walk tomorrow at Rotary Park and will be greatly appreciated as we help STOMP out Hunger in our community!

**REMINDER: Students will be dismissed at 11:30** AM on Thursday, October 26 and there will be no school on Friday, October 27 for parent teacher conferences. If you have not signed up for a conference, please CLICK HERE.

See you at the walk!! Linda Joyner

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UPCOMING EVENTS

**Tonight & Tomorrow** Feastable Tomorrow

Catholic Schools Walk (Register here) Oct. 23

Home and School Meeting, 7pm Oct. 23 - Nov. 3

Good News Virtual Book Fair

Oct. 23 - Nov. 8 ShopFund: Gifts/Food Products & Magazine Sale (Earn Collectibles!)

Oct. 23 - 27 St. Elizabeth Seton Volleyball Championship

> Oct. 26 Early release at 11:30am (Parent-Teacher Conferences)

Oct. 27 No School (Parent-Teacher Conferences)

Nov. 1 All Saints Day Mass Nov. 3

Fall Movie Night

(Permission slip here) Nov. 7 Smart Cow Night 4 - 8pm

Nov. 17 Middle School Social Activity Center 6 - 8pm (Permission slip here)

Nov. 21 K3-K5 Thanksgiving Feast

Nov. 22 - 24 Thanksgiving Break

Nov. 27

Advent Prayer Service Nov. 29 - Dec. 1 Holiday Treasures Gift Shop

View Full Calendar

November Hot Lunch Ordering Portal is Open! Please place orders for your student(s) by RICHFIELD Tuesday, October 24th at 12pm. OADHOUSE

Order Here.

November Hot Lunch Menu

Catholic Schools Walk Tomorrow!



**St. Mary Parish School** Catholic School's Walk Rotary Park - Menomonee Falls Saturday, October 21, 2023 8:30 - 10:00am

The 1.3-mile walk is from 8:30-10:00 am, with a prayer and photo at the start of the walk at 9:15am. Enjoy the route activities, treats and community!

Event Day Information: Please see important information here including Start/Finish locations and a map, as well as parking and other important info!

For more info, contact Kristin Stanek at klstanek3@gmail.com. For a link to donate: Text SCHOOLSWALK101 to 71777

**Registration is Still Open!** 

Want to walk but haven't registered? You can still join us!

Register here: Catholic School Walk 2023

Schools Walk Donation Page

Here's a link to donate. (Don't forget to find your class page!): https://fundraise.givesmart.com/vf/SCHOOLSWALK/team/ **StMaryMenomoneeFalls** 

Thank you for your continued support and to everyone who has already donated!

Thank you!



Show your Warrior Spirit and purchase Athletic Spirit Wear!

For a limited time only, Burghardt's is offering St. Mary Athletic Spirit wear for purchase! Store closes SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29th at 11:59PM. (Items will be available mid-December). Order Here!

**REMINDER**: NOT uniform approved. Athletic Spiritwear can only be worn during the school day on "Spiritwear" days, which are announced sporadically throughout the school year.

Many items are available to try on at the Burghardt's store if you need help with sizing.

No logo this round—will be available in the next store (ETA, February)

During checkout there will be a section to designate which student you want the items sent home with. If you do NOT want items sent home with a child because there are Christmas gifts please note "CHRISTMAS" = First Name and "GIFT" = Last Name (see pictures).



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Last Chance to Choose your Students' Yearbook Picture



Last chance! Choose your students' Yearbook Picture by Oct. 26

(after which VIP will choose a picture for you.)

Families - All fall school pictures taken are now available to view online. Please go online to choose which School Picture will appear in this year's Yearbook.

To view and select your photo, look for an email sent to you by "Visual Image Photography," or go to vipis.com to search for your gallery. (A number may be required.) If you have any questions student ID cannot find your images, please contact VIP at <u>support@vipis.com</u>.

There is no deadline to order photo packages.

# **Optimist Club: Student of the Month**

Natalie Nolan

Natalie always has a smile on her face and is a very positive person. She works with anyone in a group, leads that group, and maintains high expectations not only for herself but her teammates as well. She enjoys the rigors of challenging curriculum. She asks good questions to clarify concepts and looks beyond to determine next steps. Besides her strong academics, Natalie is active in our school choir, Lego League and is incredibly talented in art. Natalie is polite and respectful to all of those around her.

Congratulations, Natalie!

8th Graders Visit Holy Hill Basilica

The 8th grade class visited Holy Hill - Basilica and National Shrine of Mary Help of Christians on Tuesday, October 17. They walked and prayed the Stations of the Cross, went to mass, heard about the history of Holy Hill, climbed the scenic tower and had lunch. It was a beautiful fall day for our visit. Check out more photos here.







### Daily Playground and Lunchroom Volunteers Needed

We still have several slots open for our daily lunchroom and recess volunteer needs. If you are available to help with lunch (11:20am -1pm) or recess (12pm - 12:55pm), on any of the open dates listed below, please use the links below to sign up.

Week of 10/23/23	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchroom Servers (Need 2)	Jessica McDowell	Shelly Lemminger	Ann MacGillis	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL
	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed	Arin Nguyen (Costco)	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL
Playground Helper (Need 1)	1 Parent Needed	Nathan Ambrose	1 Parent Needed	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL
Week of 10/30/23	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchroom Servers (Need 2)	1 Parent Needed	Chris Stueland	1 Parent Needed	Chris Stueland	Kim Cook
	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed (Costco)	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed
Playground Helper (Need 1)	1 Parent Needed	Lisa Crivello	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed

Our St. Mary Volunteers are the best, and we couldn't do it without you. Here are the links to sign up:

> Lunchroom Sign Up Playground Sign Up

Thank you in advance for your consideration in signing up and

volunteering! \*Please note, all volunteers must have completed the Safeguarding Training. If you

have not done so, please contact Steve at scosentino@stam.church.

# Home & School Updates

**Volunteer Spotlight:** 

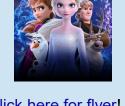
"I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. And I will not let what I cannot do interfere with what I can do." - Edward Everett Hale

Thanks so much to every volunteer that has already stepped in to help this school year! You all make St. Mary the great community we are proud to be!

We are looking for your nominations! If you would like to nominate a fellow parent/volunteer to be featured here, please email Heather at mccabeh@smps.school with their name along with a few sentences thanking them for all they do for St. Mary! We will then reach out to other families/teachers for additional quotes.

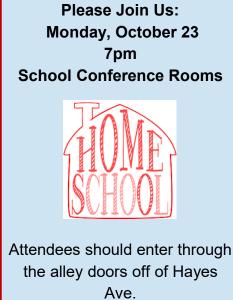
THANK YOU!





Click here for flyer! (Permission slip here)

TRIVIA NIGHT!! Friday, Nov.10th 7pm (Doors open 6:30pm) Activity Center



Home and School

Meeting:



Looking for a fun night out? Come join us Friday, Nov. 10th for Trivia Night! Doors open at 6:30, and trivia begins at 7pm. Cost is \$10 per person. Tables can have up to 10 players. Want to play but don't have a table? Let us know in the Google Form and we will help find you one! Themes are welcomed but not required. There will be a prize for the best table theme. BYO beverages and food.



Please click here for the Parent Reference Sheet with important information.

Students may earn prizes! Register and share your fundraiser with 10 supporters and **Beginning Monday:** Shop Online at

www.GoodNewsBookFair.com/ Virtual-Fair

Enter Code SAINTMARY23 at checkout.

earn U-Crew Collectibles! Click here to learn more about incentives!

Thank you in advance for your support!

#### Click here for flyer.

Thanks for your support!

## **Athletics Updates**

Congrats 6th Grade Girls Volleyball Team! Congratulations to the St. Mary's 6th grade girls' volleyball team for battling back from the bottom of the bracket after pool play to bring home the championship at their home tournament Wednesday night! Great job, girls!





Seton Invitational: Help show your Warrior Pride for our 8th Volleyball Teams at the Seton!

Our 8th grade girls' and boys' teams are going to the Seton! 8th Grade Girls will be competing in the Seton Invitational Volleyball tournament beginning Wednesday, October 25th at The Sting Center with their first match beginning on Court 1 at 5:30. More info about the girls bracket found here.

Our 8th grade boys' team has their first match on Monday, October 23rd beginning at 5:30pm. More info about the boys bracket here.

For more information about how you can help support and show your WARRIOR pride at the Seton, click here.

Let's Go Warriors! Good Luck!



#### Parish Updates



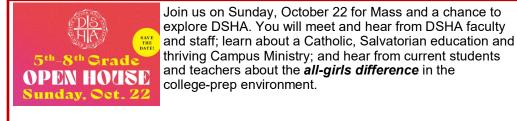
#### Calendar Raffle Winners

Congratulations to these \$30 winners drawn on October 18th: William Stiver, Rusch Family, Ellie Esser, Denise Coleman

And special congrats to this \$150 winner drawn Oct. 20: Aubri Leonard

Thank you for your support and participation!

### In the Community



#### **DSHA Open House Schedule:** 9 a.m. | Mass in the Mother of Our Savior Chapel

**10 a.m.-noon** | Student-led tours; last tour leaves at 11:15 a.m. **10 a.m. OR 10:45 a.m.** | 8<sup>th</sup> grade families: Join us for a special info session just for you! We'll cover all of your application; scholarship and financial aid questions, and anything else you would like to know about the DSHA High School experience!

Families who attend a session will receive a piece of swag. Register Here.

Child Development Day: Germantown School District invites those interested to Child Development Day, offered Nov. 6th, Jan. 8th and April 8th. Appointments required and will offer developmental screening to confirm the progress of children and to possibly identify children who may show a need for a follow-up assessment. (for children age 2 years, 9 months through age 5). Click here to view the flyer.

2023-24 Academic Calendar 2023-24 Home & School Calendar Change of Dismissal Scrip Raise Right App

Playground Volunteer Sign Up Lunchroom Volunteer Sign Up October Hot Lunch Menu November Hot Lunch Menu



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