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Dear Parents,

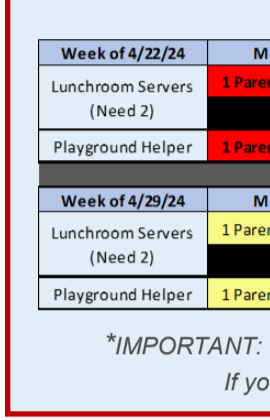
GRANDPARENTS/SPECIAL FRIENDS DAY! This special day will be here before you know it. Please take a look at the sign up genius below to see how you can help make this day extra special for our guests and our students! [Please fill out this form](#) to let us know how many guests will be attending.

Spring MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) testing will begin on April 22 and run through May 3 in grades K5-8. MAP Growth scores help teachers check student performance by measuring achievement and growth. Teachers use these results to tailor classroom lessons and set goals for students. MAP Growth tests are unique and adapt to your child's responses to measure your child's knowledge. If your child answers a question correctly, the next question is more challenging. If they answer incorrectly, the next one is easier. These results will provide a more complete picture of where your child is on their learning journey—regardless of whether they are on, above, or below their grade level. Since MAP Growth tests provide immediate and accurate information about your child's learning, it's easy for teachers to identify students with similar scores in similar skills and topics and then plan instruction accordingly. MAP Growth reports also provide typical growth data for students in the same grade and subject with the same starting performance level.

During the testing period, encourage your child to do their best, make sure he or she gets plenty of rest and eats a good breakfast.

[2024-25 ONE PAGE ACADEMIC CALENDAR](#)

SAFE ENVIRONMENT WEEK



This year, we recognize April 21-27 as Safe Environment Awareness Week. [Read more.](#)

Students may be out of uniform and wear blue on Monday, April 22 as we stand up together against child abuse.

[Click here](#) to read Ten Ways to Promote Healthy Parent-Child Relationships.

Have a great weekend!
Linda Joyner

UPCOMING EVENTS

- TONIGHT**
[Middle School Social](#)
[GLOW Party!](#)
Activity Center
6 - 8pm
(Grades 5 - 8)
[Permission slip](#)
- April 22**
Out of Uniform: Wear Blue to Stand Up Against Child Abuse
- April 23**
Theatre Guild Meeting
7pm
- April 23 - 26**
[Rainbow Booksellers Book Fair](#)
- April 24**
[Toppers Restaurant Night](#)
4 - 9pm
- April 26**
[Grandparents/Special Friends' Day](#)
- May 1 - 4**
8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip
- May 1**
First Sacraments Retreat and Confession
- May 3**
[Parent Social](#)
6 - 9pm
[RSVP Here!](#)

[View Full Calendar](#)

Daily Playground and Lunchroom Volunteers Needed

Please see below for our daily volunteer needs. We greatly appreciate your time and help! Here are the links to sign up:

[Lunchroom Sign Up](#)
[Playground Sign Up](#)

Week of 4/22/24	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchroom Servers (Need 2)	1 Parent Needed	Teri Frankowski	1 Parent Needed	Chris Stueland	1 Parent Needed
Playground Helper	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed	Carolyn Stelpflug

Week of 4/29/24	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchroom Servers (Need 2)	1 Parent Needed	Tori Gannon	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed
Playground Helper	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed	Carolyn Stelpflug

**IMPORTANT: All volunteers must have completed the Safeguarding Training. If you have not done so, please contact the parish office.*

May/June Hot Lunch Ordering Portal Open

Please place your students' hot lunch orders for May and June [here](#). All orders must be placed by 12pm on April 26th. Late orders will not be accepted. Thank you! [View May/June menu here.](#)

Grandparents'/Special Friends' Day April 26: Sign Up Your Guests

We are beyond excited to welcome all of our amazing grandparents and special guests to St. Mary's! **Please use this [sign up](#) to let us know how many guests will be attending with your children!**

If you are available for a few hours on Friday, please [sign up here](#) to volunteer your time. (Parents, please review the sign ups as some things have changed.) We also need some treats and beverages for everyone to enjoy. Please check this [sign up genius](#) for a list of needed refreshments. You can drop off your contributions at the school office by **Thursday, April 25th**. Thank you for helping make this day extra special!

Optimist Club Student of the Month: Matthias W.

Congratulations to Matthias W. who is the April Student of the Month! Matthias is an exceptional student who asks questions in class that show a deeper level of critical thinking. He is thoughtful, mature and has a good sense of humor. Matthias is respectful of his classmates and teachers. Matthias is actively involved in our Parish by volunteering to be a lector or server at mass.

Congratulations Matthias!

Rainbow Book Sellers Family Book Fair: April 23 - 26

Please see a [letter here](#) from our book fair chair, Ashley Phillips.

We are bringing back the coin challenge this year! The classroom that brings in the most money will receive a uniform free day!

Tuesday, 4/23: Pennies and Nickels
Wednesday, 4/24: Dimes and Quarters
Thursday, 4/25: All Coins and Dollars

Volunteers needed: If you would like to help with the event, please [click here to sign up.](#)

See you at the fair!

Our St. Mary Teachers are the Best!

We're proud of our St. Mary teachers and want to show off how wonderful they are and how much they're appreciated! This week we are highlighting our K4 teacher, Mrs. Bingenheimer. Check out what some students, families and fellow teachers had to say:

Teacher Spotlight: Mrs. Bingenheimer, K4

"My husband and I appreciate how Mrs. Bingenheimer prioritizes faith in her daily teaching and emphasizes the importance of the liturgical seasons. My son loves "Foodie Fridays" and looks forward to them each week. Mrs. Bingenheimer does a nice job with her pretend centers and provides various learning materials and opportunities in her classroom." - Heidi Henke

"Mrs. B always teaches me things and makes me try new foods. I love learning from her. She always laughs at me when I do something crazy. The craziest thing she does is: "She claps a lot." - Julian W.

"Mrs. B is super great at helping me read because she is so patient and nice." - Sydney

Read more quotes about Mrs. Bingenheimer [here!](#)

Home & School Updates

Volunteer Spotlight:

St. Mary School is blessed with many amazing volunteers and we are so grateful for each of them. This week we are highlighting Libby Hietpas who has been an amazing volunteer over the years, giving much of her time and talents to our St. Mary community. Check out what fellow families and teachers had to say:

"I am grateful for Libby's presence in my son's classroom. She enjoys spending time getting to know the class, and has been a big helping hand to Mrs. B and Mrs. Brandt in a room full of energetic, inquisitive kids!" - Ashton Hilker

"Libby is such an asset to our school! She's always willing to extend herself to support the needs of individual classes as well as share her creativity and fun style in so many different school events. Her willingness to step in as an aide when needed speaks highly of her character and dedication to our school and students and we are so lucky she's part of our community. Thanks, Libby! For all the hats you wear around school :)" - Ann MacGillis

Read more quotes about Libby Hietpas [here!](#)

CALLING ALL BABYSITTERS!!! We are looking to start an ongoing list for all St. Mary families to use when needing a babysitter. This list is open to all current and former St. Mary students. We are asking a series of questions to help families know more about their sitters. The information will only be distributed when requested by the office.

Please click [here](#) if you wish to add your child(ren) to the list. Remember you can add your teenager or college age children.

If you need a babysitter for the PARENT SOCIAL NIGHT, please let us know and we will help get this list to you soon!

TONIGHT! GLOW Party Middle School Dance! 6 - 8PM

5th - 8th graders all invited!

Volunteers are still needed!! Please sign up to [volunteer here.](#)

[Click here](#) for the flyer!

Theatre Guild Meeting

Tuesday, April 23 @ 7pm
Youth Room at St. Mary School

If you are interested in learning how you can help with our upcoming production of Peter Pan Jr., please join us!

ST. MARY PARISH SCHOOL

MAY 3, 2024

PARENT SOCIAL

6PM-9PM

LOCATION: AMERICAN LEGION POST
MENOMONEE FALLS, WI
NBBW16652 MAIN ST

DISPATCH: FORMULA, SILE, SORRENTO, OYSTERBUSH ALL ARE WELCOME

St. Mary Home & School Meeting

May 20
7pm

Home & School Meeting

School Conference Rooms
(lower level, enter through Hayes alleyway doors)

All are welcome!

Toppers Restaurant Night

April 24, 4-9PM

20% of sales will be donated to St. Mary!

View flyer [here!](#)

SAVE THE DATE

Annual St. Mary Parish School Golf Outing

Presented by

Saturday, September 14, 2024
Blackstone Creek Golf Course
Germantown, WI

- More information and formal sign up coming soon!
- Many sponsorship opportunities available.
- Please contact Brian Gold for more information.

262-501-2501 biangold40@yahoo.com

Parish Updates

Earn Service Hours in the Sunshine April 20

St. Mary invites families and parish members to help with our Parish "Clean Up" days on April 20 & May 11 as we work on some landscaping projects and general spring maintenance for our church campus. We will be preparing flower beds, weeding, cleaning up debris, replanting bushes, moving soil, adding weed barriers and seed grass, trimming bushes, raking and picking up any garbage around the church and school. Families and students are encouraged to volunteer. A refillable water bottle, sunscreen, work gloves and a fun attitude is all that is required. [Sign up now!](#)

New Director of Faith Formation to present at April 21 Speaker Series

Join us on April 21 for the next Faith Formation Speaker Series. Leading the talk will be Aaron Ebert, who was recently announced as the new director of the St. Anthony and St. Mary Faith Formation program. The title of his talk is "There and Back Again: My Journey of Faith."

Join us at 10:45 am on Sunday, April 21 in the Lower Level Conference Rooms of the St. Mary School.
[Learn more about Aaron.](#)

Safe Environment Week

Each year in the month of April, which is recognized around the country as child abuse prevention month, parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Milwaukee dedicate a week to elevating the general awareness of the Church's efforts to keep our children safe. This year, we recognize April 21-27 as Safe Environment Awareness Week.
[Read more.](#)

Calendar Raffle Winners

Congratulations to these \$30 winners drawn on April 17th:
Lemminger Family, Kathy Wambold, David Roesch, and Bonner Family

And special congrats to this \$150 winner drawn April 19th:
Kevin Schuster

Thank you for your support and participation!

In the Community

Mike Gosz Basketball Camps: Choose from [Day Camp Sessions \(1-8th graders\)](#) or [Academy Camp \(grades 3-8\)](#). Enrollment is limited, so register early!

NFL Alumni Youth Football Camps: Open to Boys and Girls 6-14 for Football Skills, Life Skills and Fun! Save 10% through May 3rd with discount code: 24school10

UWM Science Bag: Mr. Turing and His Amazing Machine: The Simplicity of the First Computer. (Tonight), April 19; or Sunday, April 21st.

CMH Summer Camps: Open to all rising 1st - 9th graders. Get involved at CMH, stay active, learn new skills and meet new friends!

PIUS XI Boys Basketball Summer Camps: Choose from Fundamental Skills Camp June 10 -13, Pure Shooting Camp June 17 - 20, and/or Mighty Mites Camp July 22 - 25.

Rocket Aquatics Swim Clinics at Menomonee Falls High School: Ages 4 - 9 and 9 - 16.

STARBASE Wisconsin offering two FREE STEM programs this summer: Choose from "Life Science and Wisconsin Wildlife" and/or "Aviation and Flight Simulation."

Summer Camps at Camp de Sales: Summer day camps led by new Vocation Director Father Michael Malucha at the seminary for middle school men.

DSHA Summer Camp Program, Summer Cool: Choose from over 100 camps offered for girls in rising grades 1 -9.

Camp Chesterton 2024: Summer one-day camp for kids ages 8 - 12. Registration deadline is May 31.

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