



CHALLENGING MINDS • DEVELOPING CHARACTER • LIVING JESUS

Dear Parents,

Special Morning with Grandparents and Guests - We had an exceptional morning with our beloved grandparents and special guests today! In recent years, we've been making changes to ensure smoother operations and better support for grandparents with mobility challenges. Based on the feedback we received this year, it seems we may have finally struck the right balance.

Thank You! A big thank you to Marie Butler, Stephanie, and Christopher Harms for organizing this event. We extend our gratitude to everyone who contributed food donations, served coffee, and assisted with setup and cleanup. Special appreciation to our dedicated staff for their invaluable ideas and efforts that made this event truly memorable. We also want to acknowledge our 8th graders for their assistance with the setup and takedown. Thank you all for your support! Pictures from this event can be found below or on our Facebook page.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 1 - 4**
8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip
- May 1**
First Sacraments Retreat and Confession
- May 3**
[Parent Social](#)
6 - 9pm
[RSVP Here!](#)
- May 5**
First Communion
9:30 - 10:30am
- May 6 - 10**
Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 9**
3 - 5th Gr. Field Trip to Old World Wisconsin
[\(Permission slip\)](#)
- May 10**
5th Grade Field Trip to Art Museum
[\(Permission slip\)](#)
- May 10**
May Crowning

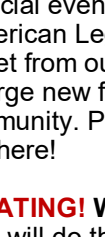
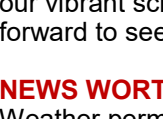
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Holy Hours For the Vocations

Pray with Us!

9 AM - 3 PM
FRIDAY, MAY 17
St. Mary Church

We are excited to host the last Monstrance to be blessed by St. John Paul II, courtesy of Arise MKE for Eucharistic Adoration!



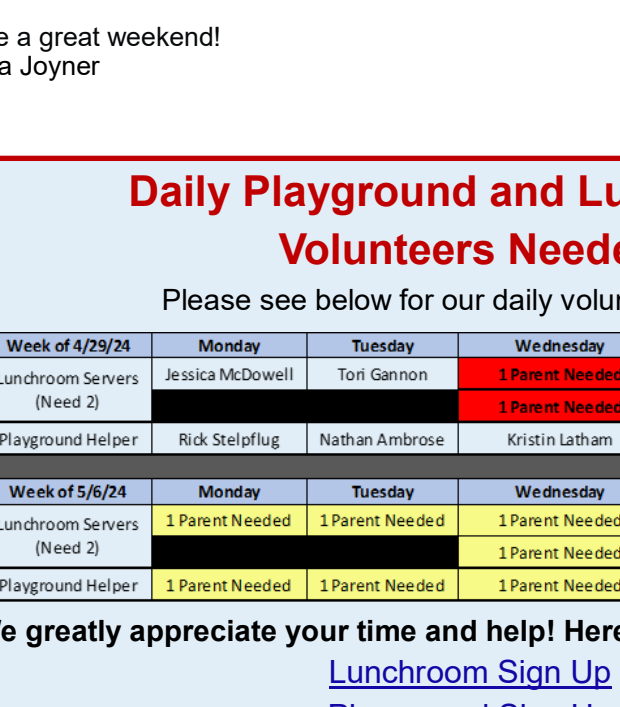
Traveling Monstrance Blessed by St. John Paul II is Headed Here! All of us, as children of God, are all called to holiness! In recognition of that call, **St. Mary Parish School will be hosting Holy Hours for the Vocations on May 17.** On this day, all are invited to Adore Jesus in the last Monstrance blessed by St. John Paul II, entrusted to us by Arise Milwaukee for the day. Jesus will be exposed after the all school Mass

(about 9 am) and reposed at 3 pm. A volunteer, called a "Guardian of the Blessed Sacrament" or "Adorer" is needed in the church every hour of Adoration. Parents are asked to [sign up](#) for a Holy Hour online and students will visit throughout the day to pray. [Click here](#) to learn more about the Traveling Monstrance.

PLEASE JOIN US! - We extend our gratitude to all who participated in the parent survey this year. One prevailing theme that emerged from the survey was the interest expressed by parents to connect with one another. This would not only foster stronger bonds within our school community but also create a welcoming environment for new families.

In response to this feedback, we are pleased to announce our inaugural parent social event. Join us on Friday, May 3, from 6-9 PM at the American Legion Post, conveniently located just up the street from our school. We encourage you to come and mingle, forge new friendships, and be a part of our vibrant school community. Please RSVP [here](#). Looking forward to seeing you there!

NEWS WORTH REPEATING! We have a delivery date! Weather permitting, we will do the **Community Build on Friday, August 16th** and the surface will be poured the following week. We will be needing a lot of strong helpers to put the playground together on the build day. There will be different skill sets needed. If you are interested in helping, please [click here](#). The new playground should be ready to go when the kids arrive back to school!



[LINK TO 2024-25 ONE PAGE CALENDAR](#)

Have a great weekend!
Linda Joyner

Daily Playground and Lunchroom Volunteers Needed

Please see below for our daily volunteer needs.

Week of 4/29/24	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchroom Servers (Need 2)	Jessica McDowell	Tori Gannon	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed
Playground Helper	Rick Stelpflug	Nathan Ambrose	Kristin Latham	Jessica McDowell	Carolyn Stelpflug

Week of 5/6/24	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchroom Servers (Need 2)	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed	Chris Stueland	1 Parent Needed
Playground Helper	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed	1 Parent Needed	Brian Rinke	1 Parent Needed

We greatly appreciate your time and help! Here are the links to sign up:

[Lunchroom Sign Up](#)

[Playground Sign Up](#)

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

Welcome Grandparents and Special Friends Thank you!

We were so happy to welcome over 200 grandparents and special guests to our school this morning! As you can see, many special memories were made today. Students and their guests attended Mass, enjoyed some sweet treats and got to play Bingo together! Thanks so much to everyone who visited. Many, many thanks to our parent volunteers, faculty and staff for making this such a special event for all!



[Click here for more photos!](#)

Our St. Mary Teachers are the Best!

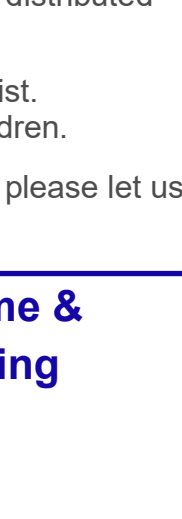
We're proud of our St. Mary teachers and want to show off how wonderful they are and how much they're appreciated! This week we are highlighting our art teacher, Ms. Strieter. Check out what some students, families and fellow teachers had to say:

Teacher Spotlight: Ms. Strieter, Art Teacher

"Thank you for teaching us new skills in art." - Khloe K., gr. 1

"You are very great at teaching us how to make art. I love that we get to do new art projects. I think you are one of the best artists I've seen." - Oliver H., gr. 1

"Sara is a great addition to the St. Mary family. She has embraced teaching art to our students. The 2nd graders enjoy going to art each week and really enjoyed the buffalo hide project. We are glad you are here Sara!" - Mrs. Halverson



[Read more quotes about Ms. Strieter here!](#)

Home & School Updates

Volunteer Spotlight:

We're looking for your nominations! If you know of a parent volunteer who deserves a special shout out here, please email their name along with a quote to mccabeh@smcs.school, and we will reach out to additional families for more quotes to share!

Thank you!



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 the information. 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!

ST. MARY PARISH SCHOOL

MAY 3, 2024

PARENT SOCIAL

6PM - 9PM

LOCATION: AMERICAN LEGION POST
MENOMONEE FALLS, WI
NGBW16652 MAIN ST

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!

Robert's Frozen Custard Restaurant Night
Tuesday, May 14th, 4-9PM
Dine in our carry out and support St. Mary School! [View flyer here.](#)

Save the Date: Peter Pan Jr.
May 30th
St. Mary Activity Center
featuring St. Mary middle school students!
More details coming soon!

SAVE THE DATE
Annual St. Mary Parish School Golf Outing

Presented by

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

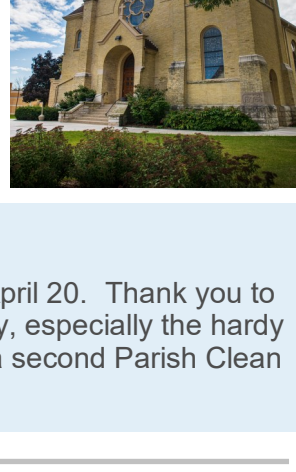
- More information and formal sign up coming soon!
- Many sponsorship opportunities available.
- Please contact Brian Gold for more information.

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Parish Updates

Faith Formation Speaker Series: Fr. Linn to Discuss Prudence

The final Faith Formation Speak Series presentation of the 2023-24 session will take place on Sunday, May 5. The featured presenter will be Fr. Andrew Linn, who will be discussing prudence. The discussion will take place after the 9:30 Mass at St. Mary (or about 10:45 am) in the lower level conference rooms of St. Mary Parish School.



Thank You, Spring Clean Up Volunteers!

The first Spring Parish Clean Up of 2024 took place on April 20. Thank you to the 25 volunteers who stepped up to lend a hand that day, especially the hardy group that stuck it out until the full 4 hours! We will host a second Parish Clean Up Day on May 11. Sign up at bit.ly/stmclean

Calendar Raffle Winners

Congratulations to these \$30 winners drawn on April 24th:

Kathleen Kuhn, Diane Kohlmetz, Gannon Family, Schmitt Family, and James Lenahan

Thank you for your support and participation!

In the Community

- Summer Music Camps: Wisconsin Conservatory of Music.** Music Exploration Camps available for students in grades 2 - 12.
- 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
- Mike Gosz Basketball Camps: Choose from Day Camp Sessions (1-8th graders) or Academy Camp (grades 3-8).** Enrollment is limited, so register early!
- 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.

