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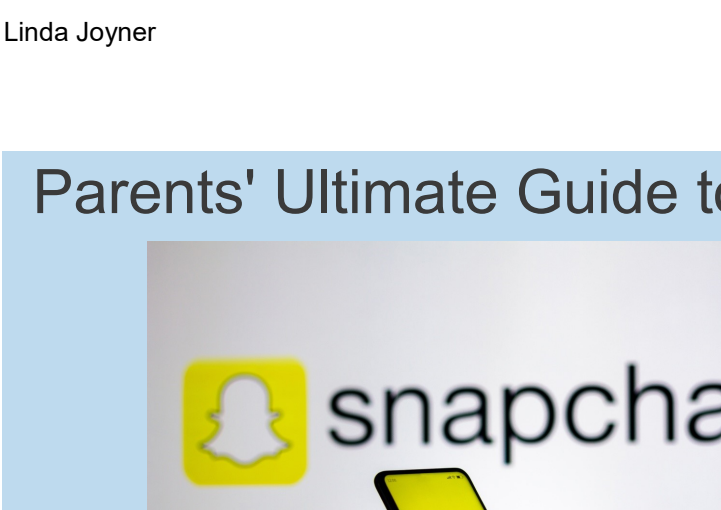
Dear Families,

Can you believe that there are only a couple of months left in this school year? As the weather starts to get warmer it is natural to start dreaming of summer break. Please encourage (remind...nag) your children to *keep their head in the game*. There is still a lot of important work left to be done!

Spring MAP (measure of academic progress) testing will begin on April 12th and will wrap up on April 19th. Your child's teacher will share his or her specific testing schedule. Please note that MAP testing is for all students K5-8th grade. Please encourage your child to do their best and make sure he or she gets plenty of sleep and a good breakfast during testing days.

Grandparents and Special Friends are invited to spend the morning with their grandchildren on Friday, April 21st. The day will begin with Mass. Following Mass grandparents and special guests will have an opportunity to visit classrooms, the book fair and enjoy some refreshments. Please [complete and return this form](#) indicating your child/ren's guests by April 17th.

Holy Week is a great time to reflect back on our Lenten practices. Were we successful or did we fail? Isn't it amazing to think that God loves us so much that he gives us a second chance or do-over every year so we can take a long look at ourselves and try to do better? Who else would give us that many chances to get something right?



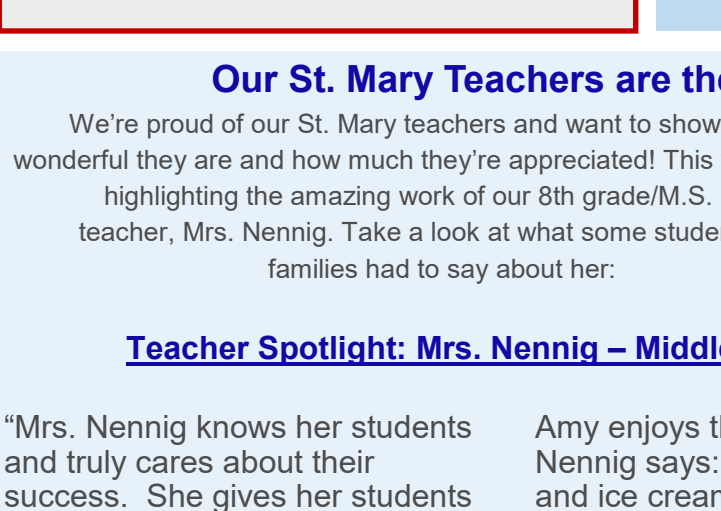
Why should I go to Holy Week services?
by Fr. Joe Krupp

I'm glad you asked that question: I know that, at first glance, the Holy Week schedule at church can seem quite intimidating and, because we aren't sure what is happening there anyway, we may be tempted simply to skip it.

I hope that, as I share with you each step of Holy Week, you see that these services are nothing short of an invitation into the heart of our Christian faith. [Click here to continue reading.](#)



The eighth grade students did an awesome job leading the stations of the cross on Tuesday. [Click here](#) to pray with them. Many thanks to Mrs. Nennig and Mrs. Mrozinski for all their work in prepping the students.



GOOD LUCK BETH!
We raised \$311 through our buy-out day in support of Rebekah's Angels, a cause near and dear to the heart of Beth Hartwig (school parent, St. Mary alum, and Boston Marathoner).

[Click here to read more](#) about Beth's journey back to Boston and the special cause she is supporting.

Best of luck on your run Beth! We will be with you in spirit!!!

Reminder: There is no school tomorrow (April 7th) and Monday (April 10).

Faithfully,

Linda Joyner

UPCOMING EVENTS	
April 7-10	Easter Break
April 6	Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm at St. Mary Church
April 7	Good Friday The Lord's Passion 3pm at St. Mary Church
April 8	Holy Saturday Easter Vigil 8:15pm at St. Mary Church
April 9	Easter Sunday 8am & 10:30am at St. Mary Church
April 12	MAPS Testing begins
April 14	Movie Night
April 15 - 14	All for Books Coin Drive
April 17-21	Scholastic Book Fair Volunteers needed See sign up here
April 18	Panda Express Restaurant Day 10:30am - 9pm View Flyer Here
April 21	Grandparents Day View Invitation/RSVP Here
April 21	Mother Son Cornhole Tournament
April 24	Mass of Atonement @ Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, Sheboygan 6pm
April 26-29	Washington D.C. Trip 8th Grade
April 28	Trivia Night
April 29 - 30	Donation Truck and Food Drive St. Mary Parish
May 1 - 5	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 5	Middle School Social
May 8	Home & School Meeting School Conf. Rooms 7pm
May 19	Father Daughter Dance

[View Full Calendar](#)

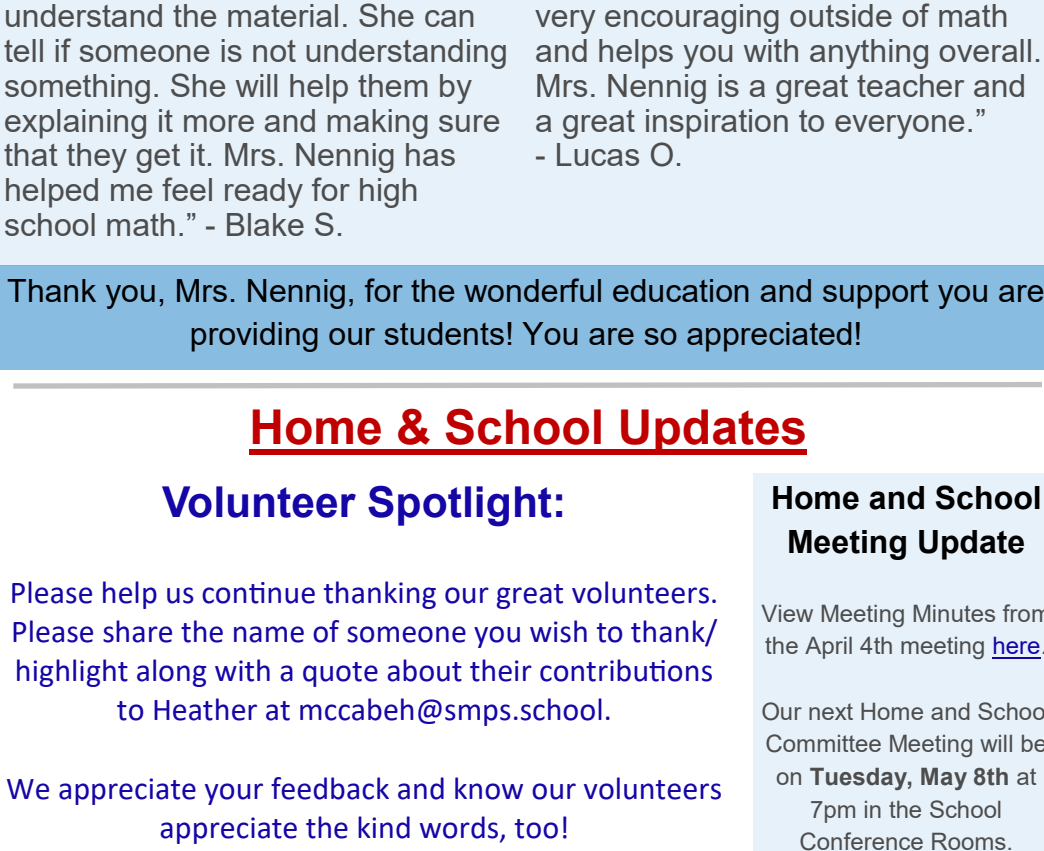
Parents' Ultimate Guide to Snapchat



Is Snapchat safe for kids? How does it work? And what's with Snapstreaks? Everything curious parents need to know about this ultra-popular app. [Continue Reading on CommonSenseMedia.org](#)

3rd Graders Learn about CPR

The 3rd graders had two guest speakers come into the class on Wednesday to talk about the practice as a nurse. The kiddos learned what CPR stands for, what CPR is and how to practice on a dummy, as well as how to find their pulse and even listen to their own heart beats using a stethoscope. The kiddos had awesome questions for the speakers and learned a lot! Check out some of the pictures from the visit!



Gosz 2023 Basketball Day Camp Sessions

Boys and Girls (Entering grades 1-8)

FUNDAMENTAL CAMP
@ST. MARY'S SCHOOL
JUNE 19-22, 1:00 - 3:30 pm

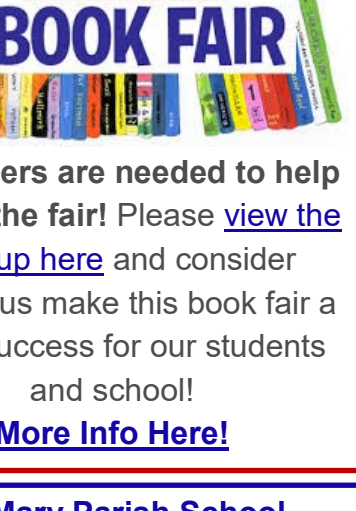
OFFENSIVE SKILLS CAMP
@ST. MARY'S SCHOOL
JUNE 26-29, 1:00 - 3:30 pm

SHOOTING CAMP
@ST. DOMINIC'S GRADE SCHOOL
JULY 18-20, 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

[View Flyer and registration info here.](#)

Recording Orders Deadline Reminder:

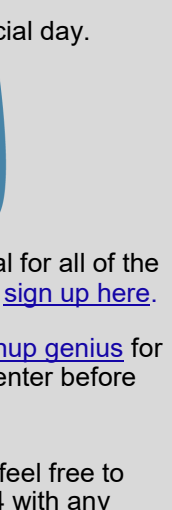
A recording of "A Christmas Yarn" Musical is a great keepsake of your child's performance. We are now accepting orders for this recording.



If you wish to order a digital recording of "A Christmas Yarn," please [complete this form](#) and return to the school office by Friday, April 21st.

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 the amazing work of our 8th grade/M.S. Math teacher, Mrs. Nennig. Take a look at what some students and families had to say about her:



Teacher Spotlight: Mrs. Nennig – Middle School Math

"Mrs. Nennig knows her students and truly cares about their success. She gives her students the opportunity to grow in class and as an individual. She is fair and knows how to connect with her students, which is not easy in middle school!" - Julie Holke

"Mrs. Nennig makes math fun! She always helps me and is easy to understand. She is a great teacher and is funny! When I ask her how was her weekend was she always says "peachy". -Will Ptak

"Mrs. Nennig is a good math teacher. She helps kids learn and understand the material. She can tell if someone is not understanding something. She will help them by explaining it more and making sure that they get it. Mrs. Nennig has helped me feel ready for high school math." - Blake S.

Any enjoys this quote that Mrs. Nennig says: "Think of pink bunnies and ice cream." (when kids have hiccups) - Amy K.

"Mrs. Nennig is a great math teacher and is always very helpful with any questions we have. She is one of my favorite teachers and I enjoy her sense of humor." - Aidan B.

"I feel like Mrs. Nennig always encourages and pushes you to do better in math. She always will help you with everything until you understand the lesson. She also is very encouraging outside of math and helps you with anything overall. Mrs. Nennig is a great teacher and a great inspiration to everyone." - Lucas O.

Thank you, Mrs. Nennig, for the wonderful education and support you are providing our students! You are so appreciated!

Home & School Updates

Volunteer Spotlight:

Please help us continue thanking our great volunteers. Please share the name of someone you wish to thank/highlight along with a quote about their contributions to Heather at mccabeh@smps.school.

We appreciate your feedback and know our volunteers appreciate the kind words, too!

Home and School Meeting Update

View Meeting Minutes from the April 4th meeting [here](#).

Our next Home and School Committee Meeting will be on Tuesday, May 8th at 7pm in the School Conference Rooms.

All for Books Coin Challenge: April 11 - 14th

Help support St. Mary Parish School by donating your coins for our School and Classrooms! Students bring in a different coin each day.

Tuesday, April 11: Pennies & Nickels
Wednesday, April 12: Dimes
Thursday, April 13: Quarters
Friday, April 14: Any Coin or Bill

The classroom that collects the most money wins an OUT OF UNIFORM DAY! [View Flyer Here!](#)

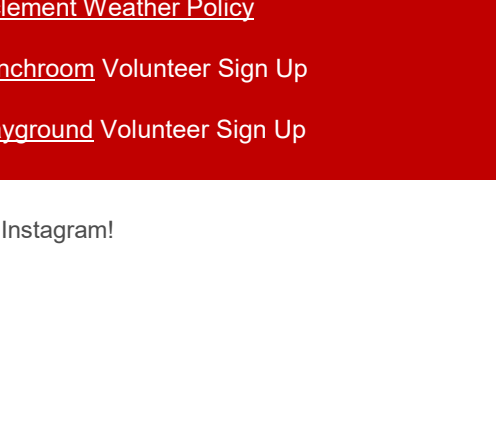
Fundraiser Profit Update:

Our recent restaurant night at Chick-fil-A brought in \$400 in profits for St. Mary! Thanks so much to all who placed orders and helped raise money for our school!

Please join us for our next Restaurant Night at:

Panda Express
Tuesday, April 18
10:30AM - 9:00PM
[View Flyer Here](#)

Spring Scholastic Book Fair April 17 - 21st



Volunteers are needed to help during the fair! Please [view the sign up here](#) and consider helping us make this book fair a great success for our students and school!

[More Info Here!](#)

Movie Night April 14th 6:30pm - 8:15pm

We will be watching Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile! Doors open for drop-off at 6:30pm, with the movie starting by 6:40pm. Come in your jammies or comfy clothes, bring a blanket/sleeping bag/pillow, and get ready to enjoy the movie with your friends! Pick-up will start at 8:15pm.

There is a \$6 entrance fee and concessions will be sold.

Adult chaperones and middle school helpers will be needed. If you have any questions or are interested in helping, please contact Michele (Justin) Spaeth at mlspaeth1@gmail.com.

St. Mary Parish School Mother/Son Cornhole Tournament

Friday, April 21st
6:30-9pm
St. Mary Activity Center

\$10/Family
Picnic/pizza dinner

PRIZES FOR:

Winning mother/son team in each age bracket

3 Marker Challenge

Yard Yahtzee

[View the Flyer and RSVP Here](#)

Grandparents' / Special Persons' Day Friday, April 21, 2023

We are excited to welcome all our grandparents and special guests to St. Mary's. We will begin with Liturgy at 8:10 and guests will come over to visit the classrooms and enjoy refreshments in the Activity Center.

As a reminder, any of the following are welcome to join in this special day.

- G-Grandparents
- R-Relatives
- A-Aunts & Uncles
- N-Neighbors
- D-Devoted Caregivers

We are looking for a few volunteers to help make the day extra special for all of the guests. If you are able to help out for a few hours on that Friday, please [sign up here](#).

Contributions for refreshments are also needed. Please see the [signup genius](#) for items needed. Food and drink items can be delivered to the activity center before Mass on Friday, April 21st.

Thank you in advance for your help to make this a great day! Please feel free to contact Deanna Jaeger at djaeger@sbcglobal.net or 262.308.7504 with any questions.

Spring Trivia Night Friday, April 28th 7pm Activity Center

St. Mary's has a fun tradition of biannual Trivia Nights. This is an adult event, that lasts 2 1/2 - 3 hours, and is a great way to meet and talk with other parents. Trivia night consists of ten rounds of trivia. Tables bring their own food and drinks. (Adult beverages are welcomed.) There is a contest for best table theme, but it is up to you if your table would like to participate in this. We are hoping to have at least one team from each grade level. Teams consist of a maximum of 10 players.

If you are interested in playing, [please sign up here!](#) Please indicate if you are already on a team. If you are not already on a team, please consider joining a team with your grade level parents.

We hope you consider participating in this fun event! Questions? Please contact Kathleen Kuhn at ksimeth@hotmail.com

SAVE THE DATE Annual St. Mary Parish School Golf Outing

Presented by **Presented by**

Saturday, September 9, 2023
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 briangold40@yahoo.com

Parish Updates

REMINDER

As part of the tuition agreement, parents receiving a discounted tuition rate (parishioner rate) are expected to support the parish through sacrificial giving of 3-5% with a minimum of \$780 per school year.

Families who will be "graduating" or not returning for the 23-24 school year must have met this obligation prior to May 31st. If you have not fulfilled this obligation by the May 31st deadline, it may be added to your last tuition bill.

St. Anthony and St. Mary Holy Week and Easter Mass Schedules can be found [HERE](#).

Have a wonderful and blessed Easter!

Calendar Raffle Winners

Congratulations to these \$30 winners that were drawn on April 4th: Brandon Kirchoff & Family, Siclovian Family, Hietpas Family, Edward and Mary Phillips, and Betty Glocka.

Thank you for your support.

In the Community

Pius XI Boys Basketball Camps: Open to grades 3 - 8. Choose between Offensive Skills Camp (June 12 - 15) and Pure Shooting Camp (June 19 - 22). [Click the image to view the flyer and registration information.](#)

Gosz Co-ed Basketball Academy (Grades 3 - 8): JULY 10-13, 9:30 AM TO 2:30 PM at St. Dominic's in Brookfield. [Click image for more info and to register.](#)

DSHA Open House: Open to 5th-7th Graders, Sunday April 23rd. Meet DSHA faculty and staff, learn about the benefits of the all-girls experience, and see our campus! Mass at 9am followed by student-led tours from 10-11:15 a.m. The last tour will depart at 11:15 a.m. [Click here to register,](#) and [click the logo to view the flyer.](#)

Falls Phoenix Open House: April 16th at 12pm and 1:15pm. Open to current Kindergarten and 1st graders. [Click the image to view the flyer and for info how to RSVP.](#)

Camp Chesterton 2023: June 20th, open to kids ages 8 - 12. Join for group competitions, sports, virtue talks, and games throughout the day. Deadline to register is May 25th. [Click the image for more info and to register.](#)

Dominican Sports Summer Camp: Discover your potential skills at Dominican High School's youth sports camps. Activities include; basketball, soccer, lacrosse and baseball. [Click the image for more info and to register.](#)

Dominican 25 Local Work Camp 2023 Registration is Open: June 19 - 23 at Good Shepherd Catholic Church: Open to students in 5th-12th grade. Early bird registration is \$75 now through May 1st. [Click image for more info and to register.](#)

Rocket Aquatics Spring Swim Clinic at Germantown High School: Open for swimmers ages 9-14. Runs from April 11 - June 8th on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. [Click the image for more information,](#) and [click here to register.](#)

Summer Camp at Dominican High School (Entering grades 2 - 4) July 10 - 14, 2023: Three sessions include STEM and Critical Thinking, Arts and Creativity, and Soccer Skills. [Click the image for more information,](#) and [here to register.](#)

Curcuit Baseball Camp Summer 2023 is open for registration: Open to children ages 6-12. [Click the image for more information and to register.](#)

Support St. Mary at J.K. Lee Taekwondo Help Support St. Mary and sign up for one month of classes, OR sign up to celebrate your child's birthday at J.K. Lee. All proceeds go back to St. Mary! [Click here for more info,](#) and [complete the survey to sign up/get more information!](#)

Milwaukee Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (MACCW) 8th Grade Girls Scholarship Opportunity: MACCW will be offering three \$1,500 Scholarships to three deserving young girls who are planning to enter a Catholic High School in the Fall of 2023. Application forms and details are available [here](#). All applications must be postmarked by Friday, April 1, 2023 and winners will be notified by May 1st.

Pompeii Men's Club Catholic High School \$2,500 Scholarship Award: Must be a Catholic Grade School student to participate. [Click on the image to the right to learn more and to access the full award application.](#) (Applications due July 1st with full, final report card).

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