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Weekly Newsletter

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**UPCOMING EVENTS** 

June 2, 2023

CHALLENGING MINDS

Dear Families,

Sincerely Yours, Ms. Isley Rosner **Junior Docent Graduation** Congratulations to St. Mary Parish School 2023 Junior Docent Graduates from the Milwaukee Art Museum! Declan Latham, Christian Leupi, Luke Micallef, Megan Phillips, Ava Rinke, & Jessica Stelpflug. Congratulations students!!

Fifth Graders Attend School Day Game Day! On Thursday, May 25 the 5th grade classes traveled to Oconomowoc for School Day Game Day! It was a fun and educational field trip with CBS 58 National Weather Service doing experiments with the students, a small animal petting zoo and of course, a Lake Country

Dockhounds did not win against the Gary Railcats, players from both teams were so interactive with the students; throwing balls out to them, giving out autographs, and talking to the kids. It was a wonderful trip to end a very successful school year! Check out a few more <u>pictures here.</u>

Dockhound baseball game. Students learned about everything from rocks and earthquakes to tornados and winter storms. The animals included: goats, donkeys, bunnies, horses and cows. While the

Lost and Found — Please come claim your child's belongings We have an overwhelmingly large amount of lost and found items collecting at school. Water bottles, lunch bags,

CHALLENGE

office. Missy is energetic,

Ms. Missy is really nice to me.

flowers." - Nora H., K4

She's funny. I liked bringing her

"Whenever I need something from

"Ms. Janzer always greets me with

a smile! She is helpful and friendly

and a great part of our school."

funny! She always answers our questions when we go to the office

and helps us when we get hurt at

"Missy makes going to the St Mary

attentive, hard working and happy

interact with others. I also love the

essential for their success. She

permission slips, storing donated dance items and food, giving us

keys, etc. A lot of behind the scene

work! Personally, between my two

appointments this year, her kind

and understanding approach in taking in all of our changes in bus

riding, late arrivals, leaving early,

the students is seen in all she

etc, never added to my mom guilt. Her genuine care & kindness to

does. What a gem! We are lucky to have Missy!" - Terri Meulemans

helped with sending out

communication, gathering

boys and juggling all of their

gym or recess! Thank you!"

-Mia and Lucas Butler

school office a pleasant

experience because she is

to see you. She is a great

example on how we should

way Missy tells animated

the office, I'm always welcomed

with Ms. Janzer's smiling face.

Grateful for her humor and her

willingness to always help!"

- Grace MacGillis

Christine Courtney

"Ms. Janzer is helpful and

has a fun, outgoing personality charismatic, funny and kind. You and has been easy to work with on can tell Missy really cares about school events and communication. the students and is always helping Thanks for all your help and out when a child is feeling ill or positive attitude in the office!" injured along with all her office Kristin Stanek duties. She's always ready to lend a helping hand within the school!" "Her positive energy and -Heidi Henke helpfulness are greatly appreciated. If she isn't sure on "Sometimes I have to go to the something, she will try to find out. office when I don't feel good and

Missy is a great addition to our

"Missy has been a breath of fresh air from the moment she started at

figuring things out when questions

visiting her, and you can tell by the interactions with students that she

truly cares about each individual

child. She's been a gem to get to

know, and our St. Mary community

is blessed to have her here. Thank you, "Ms. Missy," for all your hard

happy to get to know and work

appreciate all you do!" - Heather

"Ms. Janzer is very kind and nice."

"I like that Ms. Janzer is funny

"She is very kind." – Grace, K5

She helps us when we are hurt."

sometimes." - Nolan M.

with your authentic self and

work and dedication. I'm

McCabe

- Stella M.

St. Mary. She is thorough, hard

working, funny, and does an

amazing job jumping in and

or issues arise. Students love

school." - Mrs. Mrozinski

stories. She can make going to a "She is a good office helper." grocery store an exciting Emery, K5 adventure, now that takes talent. St Mary School is truly fortunate to *"She helps us."* – Autumn, K5 have you in our school and community. May God bless you in "She gives us extra pizza at After taking care of our kids. Thank Care." - Oliver, K5 you!" - Maria Schmelzer "She helps us when we are hurt." "Missy is a huge spark of - Jack, K5

us teachers on track!" - Mrs. Charlie, K4 Nennig "Miss Missy is so kind." "She is kind and funny, and I am Jack, K4 happy that she is at our school." - Lilah M. "I like it when Miss Missy calls me Quinster!" – Quinn, K4 Thank you, Ms. Janzer, for being such a positive addition to our St. Mary Community. You are so appreciated!

Part-time Teacher's Aide Position at St. Mary

St. Mary School is looking for a part-time teacher's aide for our 3K classroom. The 3K aide is responsible for working in collaboration with the teacher in the implementation of daily activities, assisting in the care of the children, and providing a nurturing environment that is in line with the mission for Catholic Education. The ideal applicant will be passionate about working with young children, be patient, collaborative, have the ability to take direction, and have excellent communication skills. Training in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program, or willingness to attend training is preferred. Must have completed Safeguarding All God's Children before August 28, 2023.

Please contact Mrs. Joyner if you or anyone you know may be interested.

Home & School Updates

Volunteer Spotlight Becky Leupi

Becky has been a huge help to the school office as well as to the theatre guild and her childrens' classrooms. Her positive attitude and willingness to jump in and help are so appreciated by many, and we are grateful to have her a part of the St. Mary Community! See what some others had to say about her.

"Becky is always willing to lend a hand and share her super positive attitude. She was such a huge help with Theatre Guild this year and I'm grateful that she and her wonderful family are part of our school community. Thank you for your contributions, Becky (and for doing recess duty in the cold when no one else wants to)!" - Ann MacGillis

"She has always been ready to help! It's great to have her on the

recesses is admirable. She really cares about St. Mary School!"

BRAT FR Hot Dogs • Chips • Drinks 11AM - 1PM

Friday, June 9, 2023

St. Mary Parking Lot

Presented by Germantown, WI • More information and formal sign up coming soon!

Pompeii Men's Club Catholic High School \$2,500 Scholarship Award: Must be a Catholic Grade School student to participate. Click on the image

Gosz 2023 Basketball Day Camp Sessions: Open to boys and girls entering grades 1-8. Fundamental, Offensive, and Shooting Camps available to choose from. Click the image for more information.

Xavier Summer Reading Enrichment Programs: Open to 4k through 12th grade students. Classes are 1 hour once per week, live/on-line. Click the image for more information. information.

to the right to learn more and to access the full award application. (Applications due July 1st with full, final report card). Summer Athletic Youth Camps at PIUS XI: Choose from Boys or Girls Basketball, Cross Country, Football Camp, Volleyball Camp, and more. Contact Lynn at <a href="mailto:lteetz@piusxi.org">lteetz@piusxi.org</a> for additional information. Click image to view flyer. BASKETBALL St. Lawrence Seminary High School Summer Action Retreat: Open to 7th, 8th, and 9th grade boys. Calling all current middle school boys! Bring yourself and a friend Monday, June 12 - Wednesday,

and 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 <u>here</u> to register.

register. Change of Dismissal

Welcome to Camp First Grade! The First Graders went camping this week. While camping, we reviewed math and language arts skills learned this year. We also read in our tents and enjoyed s'mores around the campfire. What a fun week! See a few more pictures here.

First Lego League: Teams Needed

See <u>here</u> for an overview/flyer.

Attention Parents of 8th Grade Students:

If your student may be interested in scoring for volleyball or basketball next year, please email athletics@stmaryparish.net with their contact info. Any help is appreciated! Thank you.

sweatshirts, winter gloves... you name it, we just might have it. Please stop and take a look at the tables near the front office. Items not picked up prior to the end of the school year

We are looking to form two FIRST LEGO League Teams of up to six students each for the 2023 season. Students in grades five and greater will be considered. Contact Eric Nielsen (ericonielsen@gmail.com) today if

interested or if you have any questions.

will be tossed or donated. Thank you! Our St. Mary Teachers are the Best! We are switching things up a little this week and are changing "teacher" spotlight to "staff" spotlight so that we can highlight our wonderful administrative assistant, Ms. Missy Janzer. Check out what some fellow staff, parents and students had to say about her: Staff Spotlight: Ms. Janzer - Administrative Assistant "Thank you, Missy!! Thank you for "Missy came into the office position last fall ready to work! She ALL you do in the office. You are appreciated." - Heather Barenz is organized, helpful and honest. Missy isn't afraid to let you know "I always enjoy my chats with she doesn't know something, but Missy when I stop into the school will find an answer for you! Missy

happiness! She is always smiling and so helpful. Her help with the "She cares about us." middle school dances was – Michael, K5

- Anna, K5

- Caroline, K5

Hamilton, K5

"She is a kind person."

"She helps out our school."

"I love Miss Missy because she

likes to give me hugs." Izzy, K4

"Miss Missy helped me after I

"Miss Missy gave me treats on my

threw up." - Nora, K4

birthday. That was really nice!" "Missy has been a great addition - Jason, K4 to the St. Mary's family. She jumped right into her office duties, "Miss Missy made me feel better never questioning her ability to after I threw up. She gave me a figure it all out. She was quick to bucket!" – Maggie, K4 get involved and meet new friends along the way. We are fortunate to "Miss Missy likes to be sure we are have her!" -Libby Hietpas safe." - Cameron, K4 "Missy has been a welcome "Miss Missy makes me laugh!" addition to our staff! She is hard - Cal, K4 working and helps tremendously with the flow of the day and keeps "Miss Missy is a nice hugger."

playground and in the lunchroom." - Mr. Burleigh "Becky Leupi is an incredibly women who has dedicated countless hours of her time at St Mary's. Becky has taken on the role of coaching basketball, has volunteered as room Mom for years as well as the theater guild to name a few. No matter what Becky is doing she always has a smile on her face always has a positive attitude and lets get it done mentality. She is always willing to help out whenever she can. It's been a joy getting to know Becky over the years. We are blessed to have her as part of our St Mary family." – Sheri Kirchoff "I've really enjoyed getting to know Becky Leupi this year! She is positive, cheerful and easygoing. Her dedication to coaching basketball, helping with the Lion King and monitoring many lunch

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**Parish Updates** 

Calendar Raffle Winners

Congratulations to these \$30 winners that were drawn on May 24th: Mitch Nolan, Bella Harthun, Patricia Lohmann, Ann Rasmussen and Mike Wiesner.

Thank you for your support.

In the Community

Thank you for attending the Strategic **Planning Town Hall Meeting** 

Thank you to everyone who attended the Strategic Planning Town Hall Meeting! It is the first of what will likely be many conversations about St. Mary Parish School and where we are headed. We appreciate your support, your honest feedback, your prayers, and your contagious hope for the future. For those who were unable to attend, or would just like to review what was discussed, video of the presentation will be available soon.

WCM Summer Camps: WCM has begun enrollment for our summer Music Exploration camps. This camp series Wisconsin is for children going into 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade and provides them the opportunity to learn how to play a variety of instruments and hone their singing, rhythm, and

musical notation skills. Click the image to view the flyer.

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

2023-24 Academic Calendar

- Mrs. Kleinmann "Becky is such a joy to have walk through our school doors with her smiling face and positive energy. She's been a huge help this year covering many, many hours on the playground, even in the bitter cold without any complaints. The kids love having her, too, and you can tell she really cares about the kids! The St. Mary community is very blessed to have her. Thank you, Becky, for all you do!" - Heather McCabe "Becky is always willing to help with whatever needs to be done. She has done a fantastic job as a room mom for several years in a row, and does a great job communicating with parents and coordinating gifts for the teachers. She is also happy to help with running concessions and has picked up extra shifts when we have been short handed. Thank you Becky for all you do!" - Angela Bonner **Last Day of School: Brat Fry** Please **R.S.V.P. here** so the organizers can plan accordingly! PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

CASH ONLY

Profits to benefit St Mary Parish School

PLAYGROUND FUND

flip's mini donut truck

will be there!

In case of rain, the

event will be moved to the Activity Center.

**Leadership Role Sign Up for 2023-24** 

Please Help! Several new chairs/coordinators are needed for the 2023/24 school year.

Please read this updated important letter from our current H&S Secretary, Katie Esser for more detailed information about opportunities, (with some geared towards parents of younger students and others geared towards parents of older students!)

Click here to view the Sign Up.

**THANK YOU!** 

**Home and School Meeting: Monday, June 5th** 

Please Join Us!

Please join the Home and School Committee for a final informal meeting of the school year from 7 to 7:30 PM on Monday, June 5th, at Three Cellars (N72 W13400 Lund Lane, Suite A, Menomonee Falls) followed by a social. The committee will be providing appetizers and desserts as a way to thank all of the event chairs and volunteers. Join us to celebrate the end of the school year!

Please R.S.V.P here.

View Meeting Minutes from the May 8th meeting <a href="here">here</a>

**Athletics Sign-up Open for Next Year** 

Interscholastic athletics provided through St. Mary Parish is designed to be a supportive element in the total educational process. This process concerns the total person, the person's growth as an individual. Interscholastic athletics intends to provide: a

cooperative learning experience; a positive base for

Many Sponsorship Opportunities Available. Please contact Brian Gold for more information.

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Christian development; an understanding of competition, emphasizing cooperative teamwork as well as fine sportsmanship; an opportunity for all participants to develop and share knowledge and

Bring a chair,

socialize,

and let the

kids play!

skills appropriate to their level. We offer Volleyball, Basketball and Track for students in grades 5-8. Students who attend a school other than St. Mary in grades 5 thru 8 who attend Christian Formation at St. Mary, St. James or Good Shepherd Parishes are welcomed to play sports on the St. Mary's Menomonee Falls athletic teams as well. Sign up at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/STMaryAthletics">https://tinyurl.com/STMaryAthletics</a>

children regardless of residency. Open to grades K-4 and grades 5-8. One Rehearsal per week with a concert in December. Click the image to view the flyer and additional info. Catholic Memorial Arts/Athletics/Activities Summer Camps: CMH is offering SUMMER CAMPS for rising 1st-9th grade students, including Athletics, Arts, Activities and More. Click here for more information about summer camps and registration.

Menomonee Falls Childrens Choir: Beginning Fall, 2023. Open to all

June 14 to St Lawrence Seminary High School in Mt Calvary, WI for three days of field Olympics, games, team building, and prayer. Click image for more information. 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.

Connect with us on Facebook and Instagram!

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 hildren ages 6-12. Click the image for more information and to

Please reach out to the St. Mary Athletic Director, John Wiese, at athleticdirector@stmaryparish.net if you have any questions or require more information. *✓***SAVE THE DATE** Annual St. Mary Parish School Golf Outing Saturday, September 9, 2023 Blackstone Creek Golf Course

**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.

<u>Lunchroom</u> Volunteer Sign Up Playground Volunteer Sign Up

May Hot Lunch Menu 2022-23 Academic Calendar 2022-23 Home & School Calendar Updated Guidelines for COVID-19

Curcuit Baseball Camp Summer 2023 is open for registration: Open to