



CHALLENGING MINDS • DEVELOPING CHARACTER • LIVING JESUS

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Every week I look around our beautiful school and find more Good News than I could ever share in one Newsletter. Our students are working diligently to build community and pursue academic excellence. Our staff has shown patience, kindness, and humor at each new challenge. Our parents have volunteered their time, talents, and treasures consistently to collaboratively progress the goodness of our school. I am incredibly grateful for each of you.

If you did not receive the family email from Wednesday, please let the office know. We have updated the Safety and Security Plan for the school year. I want our school to stay welcoming and open for those who are part of our community. I also want to keep out those who could harm my students and staff. Your support in following the procedures is greatly appreciated!

Safety & Security Plan 2024-2025 – Key Points:

Purpose: Enhance the safety and well-being of students, staff, and visitors.

Building Entry Procedures:

- **New Requirement:** All parents, guardians, visitors, and volunteers must enter through the **front school office door** and sign in every time.
- **Back Activity Center Doors:** These doors will no longer be accessible for entry during school hours to enhance security.

General Safety Guidelines:

- **Visitor Protocol:** Sign in at the front office and wear a visitor badge at all times.
- **Emergency Contact Updates:** Ensure that emergency contact information is always up to date.

"Lock In" Procedure:

- **Initiation:** When there is a potential threat nearby but no immediate danger on campus.
- **Actions:** Normal activities continue within secured classrooms; no entry or exit from the building.

"Lock Down" Procedure:

- **Initiation:** When there is an immediate or credible threat inside or near the building.
- **Actions:** Doors locked, lights off, students remain silent and hidden until it is safe.

Closing: Your cooperation is crucial to maintaining a secure learning environment. Please review and discuss these procedures with your children.

Thank you for all you do to keep our community safe!

God bless,
Annemarie Wood

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept. 10**
[Smart Cow Night](#)
4 - 8PM
- Sept. 14**
Annual Golf Outing
[Flyer Here](#)
- Sept. 20**
Movie Night
More info coming soon
- Sept. 27**
Early Release
11:30am dismissal
- Sept. 30**
8th Grade Field Trip
Camp ED—YMCA
(permission slips being sent home)
- Oct. 10**
K3 - K5 Cedarburg
Creek Farm Field Trip
(watch for permission slips next week)
- Oct. 11**
Parent Social
6 - 10pm
(More details to come)
- Oct. 19**
Catholic Schools Walk
Rotary Park
- Oct. 24**
Early Release
11:30am dismissal
- Oct. 25**
No School
Parent-teacher conferences

[View 2024-2025 Academic Calendar here](#)

Office Hours The School Office closes at **3:10pm**. Please be sure to have your After-Care FOB to pick up your children.
Thank you for your diligence!

Volunteers Needed for St. Mary's Annual Golf Outing! Please sign up here!
Please see the below image for more information about the outing! Thank you so much to everyone who has already registered and/or signed up to help. We hope to see many more of you there!

ST MARY PARISH SCHOOL ANNUAL **GOLF OUTING**
SATURDAY, SEPT. 14, 2024
Blackstone Creek Golf Course
Germantown, WI
REGISTER ONLINE OR USE THE QR CODE
tinyurl.com/stmarygolf2024

FOR SPONSORSHIP INFO
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THANK YOU SPONSORS!
THE RINZEL FAMILY
THE WEISKE FAMILY
THE DICK & JAYNE BECKER FAMILY

We have exciting news to share!

If you cannot join us for our Annual Golf Outing, there are several ways to support St. Mary Parish School. **You can choose one of the following options:**

- **Sponsor a teacher for \$125**
- **Sponsor a tee or hole for \$150**
- **Sponsorship package, which includes options like trophies, drink carts, and dinner sponsorships for \$500.**

For more information on how to contribute, please reach out to Missy Martinez at office@smps.school.

2025 Calendar Raffle

Please refer to the purple folder from back-to-school night for all the information! Remember, the Calendar Raffle is an opportunity for you to have fun, raise money, and win money. **Each family needs to sell or buy at least 5 Calendar Raffles.** If each family sells 5 Raffles - then our school makes \$7,400. If each family **sells 10 Raffles** - then our school makes **\$18,300!**

What a big difference your effort can make!

Please Help!

Please contribute to our First Floor Hallway

Our hallways have been painted a clean and crisp eggshell. Now we would like to add a new corkboard alternative, in our school colors, to display student work. Please consider donating a set to help us create a beautiful entrance to our school!

Click here for the Amazon Wishlist for Bulletin Board tiles

Telling our Good News!

The Good News is "Students Raising Money for our School"

Over Labor Day weekend, Nora H. had the idea to have a lemonade stand and donate the proceeds to the school to put toward resources for the S.T.E.A.M. Lab. Nora, her brothers Gabe, and Peter, along with Maggie W., Alexandria D., and Melody D. K4 worked together to plan, prepare and implement their idea. Utilizing the Dodge family's booth at the Germantown Farmers Market, the kids worked hard and raised \$300 for the school.

Director of Teaching: From the Desk of Mrs. Mogilevsky:

Next week, students will take the i-Ready Diagnostic, an adaptive test that adjusts to their responses, giving us valuable insights to support their learning. i-Ready is our new online assessment program replacing NWEA MAP. It identifies your child's strengths and areas for growth, personalizes their learning, and monitors progress throughout the year.

How can you help?

Ensure your child gets a good night's sleep, encourage them to do their best without rushing, and reassure them that it's okay not to know every answer.

What happens next?

We'll use the diagnostic results to tailor instruction to your child's needs and will keep you informed about their progress. Your child's results will be shared with you throughout the year. For more information, visit ReadyCentral.com/FamilyCenter.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me or the school.

Home & School Updates:

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Our St. Mary Volunteers are the best, and we couldn't do it without you. 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 the School Office at office@smps.school

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

****Additional Volunteer Opportunities for the 2024-25 School Year**

***We apologize to those of you who had difficulties opening this link in a previous Connection. The link to the Additional Volunteer Opportunities Google form/survey has been updated and should work for everyone now. Thank you for your patience and of course, for your interest in volunteering!*

Smart Cow Night: Sept. 10th 4 - 8 PM

Stop by Smart Cow on Sept. 10th between 4 and 8pm for a sweet treat! 15% of sales will go back to St. Mary Parish School! Thanks for your support! *Click image for flyer.*

Reminders & Resources:

October Hot Lunch Portal is Now Open!

Please place your child/children's [lunch orders here](#). Deadline for all orders is **Monday, Sept. 23 at 10am.**

View [October Lunch Menu here](#).

Thank you!

St. Mary School Yearbook: Orders Due Soon!

We are asking orders to be placed by **Thursday, Sept. 19th**. Price of the yearbook is \$20. The price will go up to \$25 for orders placed after Sept. 19th. (And any order placed after April 1, 2025 will go up to \$30 per yearbook). [Order here.](#)

ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK TODAY!

Athletics Updates:

WARRIOR ATHLETICS

Boys Volleyball Friday, September 6th

- 6 pm - 8th B at Holy Apostles
- 7 pm - 8th A Home
- 9 pm - 8th A Home
- 9 pm - 6th at St. monica

Girls Volleyball Saturday, September 7th

- 8:30 am - 7th at Christ King
- 2 pm - 5th at Christ King
- 3 pm - 5th at Christ King
- 3 pm - 8th Home

Concessions and Admissions Volunteers Needed: Sign Up Here

St Mary Menomonee Falls 8th Grade Girls Volleyball Tournament Begins Thurs., Sept., 12. See full bracket and info here.

Parish Updates:

Marian & Eucharistic Procession is Sept. 15

About 3 years ago, we started a tradition of leading a Eucharistic and Marian Devotion to give public witness of our faith and devotion toward the Holy Sacrament and our Blessed Mother. We will continue this tradition on Sept. 15, beginning after the 9:30 am Mass at St. Anthony. More info [here](#).

Monthly Mom's Holy Hour Starting Sept. 16

We are excited to offer a monthly Holy Hour for moms. This is a time for parish mothers to enjoy the rare gift of silence — in the midst of life's busyness and noise—in the presence of the Lord. Childcare is provided for children over 2! Click [here](#) for more info.

Altar Server Training on Sept. 21

Learn how to assist in the celebration of the Mass at the next St. Anthony and St. Mary parish Altar Server Training. Join us from 2-3:30 pm on Saturday, Sept. 21 at St. Anthony Parish! Click [here](#) for more info.

Middle- and High-School Faith Formation is Sept. 22

Faith Formation for middle- and high-school students (6th-12th grade) begins on Sunday, Sept. 22 at 10:45 am with a brief informational meeting in the St. Mary's Parish School (lower level Conference Rooms). More info [here](#).

Parish Potluck Picnic is Sept. 22

Join us for our first St. Mary Parish Picnic Potluck! Click [here](#) for more info.

New Session of OCIA is Starting this Fall

Whether you're new to Catholicism and would like to learn more or are a practicing Catholic who would like to deepen your faith all are welcome to participate in Order of Catholic Initiation for Adults (OCIA). More info [here](#).

RAISING Saints IN THE MODERN WORLD

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Lumen Christi Catholic Church
2750 W. Mequon Road, Mequon

FREE CHILD CARE AVAILABLE for kids 6 months to 12 years old. \$10 suggested, drop-in welcome

PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS!

Join us for an inspiring evening with the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia as they share their personal experiences of family and parish life to teach us ways to pray as a family. Whether you're new to family prayer or already have a deep spiritual life, this event will guide you in bringing your children and grandchildren closer to God.

FREE, and no registration is required - bring a friend!

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Calendar Raffle Winners:

Congratulations to these \$30 winners drawn on Sept. 4th: Esser Family, Phillips Family, Bonner Family, Kelly Schneider, and St. Mary School (on behalf of Spaeth family).

Congratulations and thank you for your participation!

In the Community:

Milwaukee Children's Choir: Click [here](#) for the flyer for additional information and registration links.

PIUS XI Catholic High School Class of 2029: Admissions Information and Open House Oct. 9th: [Click here](#) for important dates and additional information.

DASH Winter Basketball at DSHA: Open to girls in grades 4 - 8. [Click here](#) for registration information.

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