

# St. Mary Parish School



Challenging Minds

Developing Character

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## The Connection

February 19, 2021  
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Dear Families,

It is hard to believe that we are already approaching the end of the second trimester on March 11. If you have any questions about your child's progress, please contact his or her teacher.

We continue to receive good news with regards to the number of COVID cases in our school and broader community. In fact, over the last two weeks, we have not had any new confirmed COVID cases (knock on wood). We have been told that the vaccine will begin to be available for our teachers starting March 1<sup>st</sup> but have not heard anything definite from the health department yet.

While we were unable to run our regular volleyball and basketball programs this year, we are investigating the possibility of running some skills development/open gyms for our 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Please help us in our planning by completing this [survey](#) before Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. We are also planning for the upcoming track season and should have some specific guidance from the archdiocese in the next couple of weeks.

I have noticed some huge growth spurts in many of our students, which has rendered some skirts and jumpers extremely short. Please take a few minutes this weekend to make sure that your child's uniforms (especially skirts and jumpers) are still the appropriate length. All skirts and jumpers should extend to the knee. Thank you for your help with this.

**Have you returned your 2020-21 registration form yet?** We are beginning to plan for the 2021-22 school year, and it is vital that we have solid enrollment numbers for that purpose. It would be very helpful if we had all registration information by next week. If you need a new form, please contact the school office.

Faithfully,  
Linda Joyner

### Catholic Schools Week Service Project



Community service is an important part of our annual Catholic Schools Week celebration. This year we ran a drive to collect items to create care packages for frontline workers and we were completely overwhelmed with the generosity of our school community! As a school, we were able to make 300 care packages to give to . . . . .

[Read more . . . . .](#)

### Graduation Pictures

Eighth graders will have their graduation pictures taken by VIP on Thursday, March 11 beginning at 8:10 am.



Treat the family to dinner and support St. Mary's too.

5:00—9:00 pm Tuesday, February 23, 2021

*Click on the QDOBA logo to find out more.*

### Lunch Ordering Portal Open Until Midnight, Feb 23.

Place lunch orders for the month of March through the portal until midnight on February 23rd.



Click on the graphic to be taken to the portal now.

### Calling all Heart Heroes!

Our **Kids Heart Challenge™** is in full swing! Thank you to those who have already registered and taken the heart healthy challenge! If you would still like to participate, there is plenty of time.

[Find out what you can do.](#)



### ST. MARY'S TRACK AND FIELD TEAM



Boys & Girls Grades 5 through 8

Sign-up Deadline is March 5

*Click on the logo above for more information.*

### TUITION TAX CREDIT CLARIFICATIONS



Here are some tips to assist you when calculating your tuition credit for your State Tax return:

- ✓ You must log into Smart Tuition at <https://parent.smarttuition.com> to obtain the amount you paid in tuition in 2020. Upon logging in, click on 'Family Year End Statement' found on the upper right hand side of the screen. A PDF copy will download and you can print and save a copy to your PC.
- ✓ The 'Total Paid in 2020' on the statement from Smart Tuition is a total of **EVERYTHING** (field trips, lunches, t-shirts, etc.) you **PURCHASED** in 2020.
- ✓ The deduction can **only** be used for the **tuition amount paid** out by the parent or guardian. This amount is listed out separately on the summary from Smart Tuition. Please make sure you are using the correct amount.
- ✓ New This Year: **After Care Program billing**. The amount is also listed out on the statement and is the necessary documentation needed for tax purposes.

Need more assistance, please contact Angie at the Parish Office at 262-251-0220.

### 2021 Calendar Raffle

Congratulations to these \$30 raffle winners drawn on February 17th: **Christine & Steve Herbst, St. Mary Parish, Patricia Gagnon, David & Donna Roesch and Christine Polder.**

Thank you all for participating.



Young Rembrandts is offering online, on-demand drawing classes for St. Mary families, grades K5—5th.

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ADORE THE EUCHARIST

### FEBRUARY

- 23 8:15 Liturgy: K4, K5, 1 & 2  
5-9 pm: [Qdoba Fundraiser](#)
- 24 8:15 Liturgy: Middle School

### MARCH

- 1 IOWA Testing begins, grs 3, 5 & 7
- 10 9:00 Rosary; Live Streamed
- 11 End of 2nd Trimester;  
8th Grade Graduation Picture Day
- 12 NO SCHOOL; teacher in-service

Don't forget your 2021/22

[Registration form.](#)



### Attention 8th Grade Families

[Hamilton High School Virtual Parent Orientation and Open House](#)

[Menomonee Falls HS Course Selection](#)

### Resources

- [2021/22 Registration Form](#)
- [Out-of-Uniform Policy](#)
- [School Closing Policy](#)
- [Change of Dismissal](#)
- [Scrip Schedule](#)
- [Scrip Raise-Right App](#)
- [2020-21 Academic Calendar](#)

### In the Community

- [Young Rembrandts Drawing Classes](#)
- [Rocket Aquatics](#)
- [Updated Quarantine Guidelines for COVID-19](#)
- [Waukesha County weekly COVID-19 updates](#)

Keep informed with weekly updates from Waukesha County regarding COVID-19. [Here's how.](#)