

# St. Mary Parish School



Challenging Minds • Developing Character • Living Jesus

## The Connection

January 10, 2020

Dear Families,

Our Annual Open House for prospective parents will be held on Sunday, January 26 from 11AM – 2PM. Please help us by inviting friends, family, co-workers and neighbors to come and tour our awesome school! [Click here for a shareable invitation](#). You may also help by volunteering as a tour guide, registration or hospitality. See “Help Us Showcase Our School” for more information and [sign up today](#).

We are also in the beginning stages of planning for the 2020-21 school year. To that end, we have attached an electronic copy of the 2020-21 registration form. The form has been revised to hopefully make your life easier. You will also notice an increase in the family registration fee, which is the first increase in the last 16 years. The registration fee for the 2020-21 school year will be \$125 however, we are offering an *Early Bird Discount* to families who return the registration form and fee on or before January 23.

Many details of the 2020-21 calendar still need to be sorted out but the archdiocese has released enough information for us to establish some key dates for our planning. The calendar will be finalized once we receive the final details from the archdiocese. The first day of school will be Monday, August 31.

- Christmas Break will be December 23 - January 1
- Spring break will be April 2 – April 9\*

\*Local area schools are taking spring break during Holy Week, which precludes us from aligning with them next year.

We have noticed quite a few students sporting new smart watches this week. Please note that smart watches, cell phones and other two-way communication devices are prohibited to be used during the school day. [Please see the Personal Electronic Device policy for more information](#).

Our K5 students are excited for a Packer win this weekend. [Check out their cheer on our YouTube Channel](#). **GO PACK GO!**

Faithfully,



## OPEN HOUSE

**Sunday**  
**January 26, 2020**  
**11am - 2pm**

**We've got *Spirit.* Yes, we do.**

*Experience first-hand the exemplary academic journey that will prepare your child for a lifetime of success:*

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**Please join us**

- Meet** our faculty
- Tour** our classrooms
- Talk** with current parents and students
- Experience** our Living Jesus environment
- Ask** your questions

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**Register today at 262-251-1050** or [stmaryparishschool.org/admissions/2019-open-house](http://stmaryparishschool.org/admissions/2019-open-house)

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### Help Us Showcase Our School

Tour guides are needed for the school open house on Sunday, January 26th from 10:45- 2pm. This is a great opportunity to showcase our school to new and prospective school families. Parents and their students are the best “salespeople” we have. Come and share your experiences with families who are considering St. Mary for their children. This event is very important to the ongoing success of our school. You can make the difference by giving a few hours of your time to help us demonstrate the distinct advantages of a St. Mary education. As a tour guide family, you will work together as a unit to give tours, answer questions and share your experiences with new and prospective families. To help put you at ease, we'll provide you with responses to frequently asked questions and basic facts to share with guests. We're counting on YOU! We are in need of 20 family volunteers to help us with touring of our school.

[Click here to bring you directly to the sign up.](#)

**Family Fun Fair is just around the corner!** It's an exciting time of year for everyone! The Family Fun Fair is also excited to announce that ordering is now open for the 2020 Family Fun Fair. Follow the link: <http://bit.ly/FunFair2020> to order your tickets, VIP wristbands, T-shirts and consider being a family sponsor. Last day to order t-shirts is January 16. The last day to order tickets and wristbands is January 29th.



Family Fun Fair is a huge fundraising event for our school and is open to anyone, so share with your family, friends and neighbors.

We hope you will also consider being one of our 2020 sponsors, your help either small or large is always appreciated.

Thank you, 2020 Family Fun Fair Committee

### STANDARDS-BASED GRADING

**"There are no re-takes in REAL life"**

TRUE  
 FALSE

Definitely, False. Our goal is for each individual student to have the opportunity to demonstrate mastery of the standards. If a student does not show mastery on the first try on a summative assessment, does that make his or her effort a failing one? Think about when you took your driver's test to get your license. You obviously practiced driving with lots of coaching from your instructor and your parents. Were you given a grade for each behind-the-wheel experience or were you given feedback? When were you given that feedback? It most likely, and most effectively, occurred while you were practicing driving! When you took the driver test, you might have passed the first time. If so, great for you! But what if you didn't?

[Read More](#)

### Home & School Committee is Searching for Talent!

**Career Day Chair:** Organize and run Career Day for 4th-8th graders. There is extensive material to pass on from previous chair and several people who can provide support.



**Vision Screening:** Organize and run our free vision screening for K3-K5. Work with existing volunteers for this half day of helping our students!

If interested in either of these opportunities, please contact Home & School Chair [Sarah Harenke](#).

**Playground Volunteers Needed:** We are looking for playground volunteers to supervise the recess period. Good news, since we have condensed the lunch/recess period, we only need help for 1 hour from 11:30-12:30 daily. If interested, please contact [Mrs. Salentine](#).

**2020 Calendar Raffle:** Congratulations to these \$30 raffle winners drawn on January 8th: **Harley Egly, Tywana George, Tywana George, Jessi Riesterer**. And to this \$150 winner drawn on January 10th: **Michelle Pittman & Family**. Thank you all for participating.

### JANUARY 2019

- 13 [Scrip Orders due](#)
- 15 All-School Liturgy, 8:15  
Young Rembrandts Drawing Classes, 3:05  
[Panda Express Restaurant fundraiser, 11am-11pm](#)
- 16 Forensics Practice, 3:05
- 17 JR Docent field trip, 9:15
- 18 1st Reconciliation Retreat, 9am
- 19 Gr 2 Sacrament Parent Meeting, 6:45 pm—Marian Hall
- 22 All-School Liturgy, 8:15  
Young Rembrandts Drawing Classes, 3:05
- 23 Forensics Practice, 3:05—Library Registration forms due
- 24 NO CLASSES; teacher in-service
- 26 [OPEN HOUSE, 11-2 PM](#)

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK  
January 26-February 1

### COMING SOON . . .

- Jan. 28 8th grade parent meeting, 6:30 pm
- Jan. 31 [Family Fun Fair](#)
- March 14 [Parish Auction](#)
- March 19 Grades 3, 4 & 5 Musical
- May 21 Middle School Musical

### Student Activities

- [Young Rembrandts Drawing Classes](#)
- [Spanish Winter II spring signup](#)
- [All Saints Music Lessons](#)
- [Shadow Opportunity at CMH](#)
- [CMH Poms Clinic](#)
- [Dominican Basketball](#)

### High School Information

- [Germantown High School](#)
- [Menomonee Falls High School](#)
- [Hamilton High School](#)
- [Catholic Memorial High School](#)

### Links

- [School Closing Information](#)
- [Scrip Calendar processing dates](#)
- [PowerSchool SIS](#)
- [PowerSchool Learning](#)
- [St. Mary Facebook](#)
- [Amazon Smile](#)
- [ShoptoGo](#)
- [Seton Tuition Assistance Fund](#)



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