

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC
SCHOOL



Tuesday Times
March 10, 2020

SMS PROUD:
Educating Mind Heart Spirit
Through Faith



*We adore you, O Christ, and
we praise you.*

*Because by your holy Cross
You have redeemed the world.*



WHAT'S NEW?

YES – Yummy Butter Braids will arrive just in time for Easter!!! The PTO has organized a fundraiser for Butter Braids. The following is the timeline:

- Sale starts: 3/10
- Sale Ends: 3/24
- Butter Braids Delivered: 4/2

Order forms for the Butter Braids are being sent home today in the Tuesday Folders. Thanks for your support!

We are still in need of a Head Coach for Track! The season will soon be here, and we want our students to have the opportunity to participate in this sport. Please contact the school office immediately if you would be willing to take on this responsibility. If you know someone we could reach out to, please submit their names. We need to move very quickly! All coaches must be compliant with the Child Protection Policy. Thank you for your consideration.

St. Mary's Gala Dinner Auction was a huge success, and we are so very grateful to everyone who assisted in any way. Many hands and hearts go into such a large endeavor as this, and we couldn't be more appreciative. The enthusiasm and positivity of the evening was infectious. Thank you to ALL for the love and support!

This Friday, March 13, dismissal will be at 2:50 p.m. Bus Service is not available. Thank you!

Mark your calendars! Sunday, March 15th, is the PTO Spring Bingo! What a great day to win cash or a beautiful handmade quilt! Please help spread the word and bring your family and friends!

We could also use a couple more individuals to help with the PTO Bingo this Sunday. Please contact Jennifer Knott or the school office if you would be available to assist. Thank you for your help.

St. Mary's Preschool Program will have registration for Fall 2020 classes Wednesday, March 18th, in the school library from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Parents enrolling their child for the first time must provide a current immunization record and physical and a certified copy of their child's birth certificate. Please call Eleanor Clendenin at 826-2134 for additional information. We look forward to all those joining our school family!

REMINDERS:

“The Seven Deadly Sins and the Seven Lively Virtues” a Lenten adult education program will be presented by Mr. Brad Colvis beginning on Sunday, March 1st, and continuing for four consecutive Sundays. The program will be presented in the School Library following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Mr. Colvis has been involved in ministry for several years, has degrees in theology, and has previously presented a program at the parish of St. Mary of the Divine Maternity in Ellis Grove. This would be a wonderful way to enrich your Lent this year!

Don't forget to mark your calendars for Saturday, March 28th, for the Sixth Annual Quarter Auction! This is an awesome night of fun, food, and prizes. Please join us for this evening of fun and festivities! If you need more raffle tickets, contact the school office. The tickets provide a great chance at winning gift cards to a variety of places!

FRIENDS OF MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS ANNOUNCE RAFFLE -

Tickets are now on sale for this amazing raffle! Only 300 tickets will be sold with lots of opportunities to win. The TOP CASH PRIZE is \$5000!!! Please contact the school office for your tickets. Winners will be drawn at the School's End of the Year Party - May 8th! Get your tickets now!

Tickets are \$100.00 each. Call 826-312- to get your ticket. You need not be present to win!

**1st Prize: \$5,000.00
2nd Prize: \$3,000.00
3rd Prize: \$1,000.00
4th Prize: \$750.00
5th - 10th Prizes: \$500.00 each
11th - 19th Prizes: \$250.00 each**

Knights of Columbus Fish Frys have begun!!! Serving from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Regular & Cajun fish, shrimp, baked potato, fries, baked beans, stewed tomatoes, slaw – Buffet style if dining in – To go orders available – call ahead at 826-3316. Adults \$10.00, Children (6-10) \$5.00, Five and under are free. **This week's Fish Fry will benefit Toys for Tots .**

SERVERS SCHEDULE:

Tuesday, March 10

Children's Reconciliation

Friday, March 13

Elseah Congiardo, Grace Welborn, Nate Maes

Tuesday, March 17

Gage Hopkins, Kanon Jany

Friday, March 20

Garret Hopkins, Gene Bicket, Nathan Jany

Tuesday, March 24

Kolton Jany, Nate Maes

Friday, March 27

Gage Hopkins, Gene Bicket, Jack Heffernan

Servers, thank you for arriving to school by 7:45 a.m. Please check in with the teacher supervisor in the cafeteria, and then go over to church to prepare for Mass. Thank you.

WEEKEND SERVER SCHEDULE:

March 14 – March 15

5:00 p.m. – Nate Maes, Logan McDonald

9:00 a.m. – Gage Hopkins, Garret Hopkins, Jared Landeros

March 21 – March 22

5:00 p.m. – Jack Heffernan, Kolton Jany

9:00 a.m. – Gene Bicket, Nathan Jany, Nolin Crain

March 28 – March 29

5:00 p.m. – Ethan Colvis, Kanon Jany

9:00 a.m. – David Grau, William Grau, Grace Welborn

Volunteers will be needed to sign up for the following Holy Week Masses and Services

April 4 – April 5	Palm Sunday
April 9	Holy Thursday
April 10	Good Friday
April 11	Holy Saturday
April 12	Easter Sunday

April 18 – April 19

5:00 p.m. – Ethan Colvis, Logan McDonald

9:00 a.m. – Elseah Congiardo, Jared Landeros, Nathan Jany

If you are unable to serve at your scheduled time, please remember to find a replacement. It is your responsibility. Please do not leave Father Gene without servers. Thank you for your ministry as an altar server. You are greatly appreciated!

CAN YOU HELP US?

Please continue to save and send in the following items: Box Tops for Education, Best Choice, Tyson Project A+ labels, and empty computer ink cartridges to the school office. For the Best Choice programs, please send in ONLY the UPC codes. We do not need the entire label. Your efforts with these fundraisers truly help our school. This does add up quickly and every little bit helps. We truly appreciate your efforts with these programs. Please know that your efforts do make a difference. Thank you so much.

Remember our Scrip Program for your shopping needs this school year! There are several Scrip cards in the school office readily available for your convenience.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS...

...We continue to pray for our second grade students from our school and parish who are preparing for the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. We ask that God be with them and their families during this very important time.

...We continue to pray for our seventh and eighth grade students from our school and parish who are preparing for the important sacrament of Confirmation. We ask that God send His Holy Spirit to enlighten their hearts and minds as they begin this important journey.

...We pray for all those in our school and parish family who are in need of God's healing touch.

...We pray for peace and an end to violence.

THANK YOU...

...We are so very grateful to the Gala Dinner Auction Committee members who worked tirelessly throughout the year planning and organizing for the big event! The countless hours, unending energy, awesome enthusiasm, and just plain hard work are immensely appreciated by all. Please know how very grateful we all are for ALL that you did for this year's auction. We especially thank Brandy Maes for chairing this event. Thank you so very much!

...We extend our sincere appreciation to all faculty, staff, students, parents, school board members, PTO members, parishioners, and friends who supported the Gala Auction through gifts of time, money, donations, working, and coming to attend this event. We are so very, very grateful! St. Mary's is the BEST!!!

...We are blessed with such kind and generous hearts here at St. Mary's School. Thank you so very much for your kindness in donating items for the Dinner Auction. All grade levels created arrangements that were well sought after at the auction. We are so very grateful for your generosity! Thank you, thank you, thank you! This is fantastic! Thank you all so very much!

...We sincerely thank our teachers for the extra work, effort, and time that they gave towards creating that special item from their students. WOW!!! These works of art generated so much interest at the auction, and really illustrated the talent of our students and teachers. Thank you so much! We thank the parents who assisted with creating such wonderful items for the auction. Thank you so very much!

...Many thanks as well to our faculty and staff for their donations to the "Guys and Dolls" table at the Auction. This was a huge success, and we are so grateful for your generosity. Thank you so very much for ALL that you do for our school!

UPCOMING EVENTS: (PLEASE CONTINUE TO LOOK FOR UPDATES IN THE CALENDAR.)

March 9	Day 3	OVC Volleyball Tournament (9 th – 13 th)
March 10	Day 4	Reconciliation for School Children 8:15 a.m. Art Club 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
March 11	Day 5	Child Protection Training for Students First Communion Meeting St. Mary's School Library 6:00 p.m.
March 12	Day 1	
March 13	Day 6	All School Mass 8:15 a.m. (Grades 3/4 Liturgy) COPS Program begins for 5 th Grade 9:40 a.m. Dismissal at 2:50 p.m. – No Bus Service Dance for Grades 5-8 at St. Mary's Gymnasium
March 14	Saturday	St. Mary's School C Team Volleyball Tournament
March 15	Sunday	Children's Liturgy (K-2) 9:00 a.m. Mass PTO Spring Bingo Brad Colvis Presentation – St. Mary's Second Grade Classroom 10:00 a.m.
March 16	Day 2	Volleyball Game at Mascoutah 5:30 p.m.
March 17	Day 3	Mass 8:15 a.m. (Grades 1-4) SIJHSA Volleyball Regionals (March 17 th – 24 th) Art Club 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
March 18	Day 4	7/8 Field Trip Prairie State (Leave at 8:00 a.m.) Preschool Registration 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
March 19	Day 5	Belleville Diocesan Tournament Chester High School Musical
March 20	Day 6	All School Mass 8:15 a.m. (Grades K-2 Liturgy) Dismissal at 2:50 p.m. – No Bus Service Fish Fry to benefit St. Mary's Gala Auction Chester High School Musical
March 21	Saturday	7/8 Confirmation Retreat 8:00 a.m. – Noon Chester High School Musical
March 22	Sunday	Rite of Election for Confirmation at the 9:00 a.m. Mass Brad Colvis Presentation 10:00 a.m. St. Mary's School Library 10:00 a.m.
March 23	Day 1	School Board 6:00 p.m.
March 24	Day 2	Mass 8:15 a.m. (Grades 5-8) Art Club 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
March 25	Day 3	
March 26	Day 4	
March 27	Day 6	All School Mass 8:15 a.m. (Grades 5/6 Liturgy) Dismissal at 2:50 p.m. – No Bus Service

March 28	Saturday	Young Authors' Conference at Sparta Lincoln 8:30 a.m. Quarter Auction at St. Mary's Gymnasium SIJHSAA State – Herrin
March 30	Day 5	
March 31	Day 1	Mass 8:15 a.m. (Grades 1-4) Art Club 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
April 1	Day 2	Happy April Fools' Day
April 2	Day 3	
April 3	Day 6	All School Mass 8:15 a.m. (Grade 7/8 Liturgy) Dismissal at 1:30 p.m. – Bus Service Available