

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC  
SCHOOL

Tuesday Times  
October 2, 2018



**SMS: Where Lights  
Shine Bright**



***Queen of the most Holy Rosary,  
pray for us.***

**WHAT'S NEW?**

St. Mary Students and Families,

The SMS Junior Beta Club will be sponsoring Career Day Spirit Day on Thursday, October 11. Students are encouraged to dress in clothing that resembles that of a career they might be interested in, such as a mail carrier, news reporter, veterinarian, nurse, pilot, restaurateur, farmer, truck driver, etc. All participating students are asked to bring \$1 on Career Day. Join the fun on Career Day! What do you want to be when you grow up?

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. October 7<sup>th</sup>, is the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary. This feast day was instituted by St. Pius V in 1573, but the development of the rosary as a prayer has a long history. St. Dominic is often recognized as receiving this beautiful prayer from Mary, but his followers had much to do with the rosary's development. In the 16<sup>th</sup> century the rosary was developed to its present form, and in 2002, Pope John Paul II added the five Luminous Mysteries to this devotion. The main focus of the rosary is to help us meditate on the events in the life of Jesus and Mary. During this month of October why not share this beautiful faith tradition with your family?

**This is just a reminder about the Rosary Rally sponsored by St. Mary's Catholic Council of Women. The Rally will be held on Saturday, October 13 at 4:30 p.m. in the front yard of the rectory before the 5:00 p.m. Mass. The school children are asked to hold and display a large banner of Our Lady of Fatima during the praying of the rosary. We are in need of volunteers! Please return your form to school as soon as possible. Thank you for allowing your child to participate.**

***We will be holding another Child Protection Training class this Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the school for anyone who needs the training. This class is required for those who wish to accompany students on field trips and volunteer at the school. Please call the school office at 826-3120 to RSVP.***

## PINK DAYS IN OCTOBER

St. Mary's School will be joining the Randolph County Sheriff Department's support of the students of SIUC who have been personally affected by the devastating effects of breast cancer. The Sheriff's Department implemented a plan to raise funds for the Saluki Strength Breast Cancer Fund that awards scholarships and provides additional assistance to SIU students impacted by breast cancer. Taking our lead from the Sheriff's Department, we plan to hold several PINK or GRAY days in October to help support this important cause.

The following days will be Jeans Days with students wearing pink or gray! Participating students are asked to bring in a dollar or more donation each scheduled day. We appreciate your support as we reach out to help those in need.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24

There will be NO SCHOOL this Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup> due to the Teacher's Diocesan Convention.

There will be NO SCHOOL on Monday, October 8<sup>th</sup> in honor of Columbus Day.

**Parent Teacher Conferences** will be held on Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>. Information regarding these conferences are being sent home today. Dismissal will be at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>. Please look for this information in your child's Tuesday Folders. Thank you!

## ST. MARY'S SCHOOL – SHINING OUR LIGHTS!

Students completed an entire week of testing! While these tests can be challenging and stressful, our students handled the week with great attitudes. They worked hard, tried their best, and kept such positive attitudes. We thank them for their hard work!

### REMINDERS:

Afterschool Enrichment Program begins on tomorrow, Wednesday, October 3, with Bernie and Veneta Kerkhover.

## SAVE THE DATE!!! – St. Mary's School Quarter Auction – November 3, 2018

St. Mary's School will be holding their Annual Quarter Auction Vendor's Fair on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please mark your calendars and come for an evening of fun and prizes. The event will be held in the school gymnasium on Saturday evening at 6:30 p.m. with doors opening at 5:00 p.m. for the Vendor Sales. Food and refreshments will also be sold by the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class. More detailed information will be sent home regarding this event. Mark your calendars now and tell all your family and friends!

The City of Chester is looking for volunteers to help at the City of Chester Halloween Party which will be held here at St. Mary's School Gymnasium on Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

**Coach – Pete Jany**

**Basketball Practice begins on Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup>!**

Grades 4-6

Practices will be held on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Grades 7-8

Practices will be held on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**SERVERS SCHEDULE:**

**Tuesday, October 2**

Paige Vasquez, Maggie Caby

**Friday, October 5**

NO SCHOOL – Diocesan Teacher Convention

**Tuesday, October 9**

Jack Heffernan, Ethan Colvis

**Friday, October 12**

Kolton Jany, Grace Welborn, Camryn Wolff

**Tuesday, October 16**

Garret Hopkins, Carson Dunn

**Friday, October 19**

Shane Bicket, Paige Vasquez, Miranda Rodewald

**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:**

**October 6 – October 7**

5:00 p.m. – Jack Heffernan, Grace Welborn

9:00 a.m. – Elseah Congiardo, Shane Bicket, Gene Bicket

**October 13 – October 14**

5:00 p.m. – Ethan Colvis, Koby Jany

9:00 a.m. – Nolin Crain, Madison Kribs, Brock Vasquez

**October 20 – October 21**

5:00 p.m. – Grace Welborn, Garret Hopkins

9:00 a.m. – David Grau, Jared Landeros, Luke Miller

**October 27 – October 28**

5:00 p.m. – Gage Hopkins, Nate Maes

9:00 a.m. – Shane Bicket, Nolin Crain, Brock Vasquez

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 pray in thanksgiving for the many blessings in our lives.

### **THANK YOU TO...**

...Thank you so much to St. Mary's School PTO for sponsoring the breakfasts this week for our students. Providing them with a good breakfast is so important – especially during Testing Week! We know that the students looked forward to these breakfasts! Thank you so much for your generosity and thoughtfulness.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

October 1	Day 1	PTO Meeting 6:00 p.m.
October 2	Day 2	Mass 8:15 a.m. (Grades 1-4) Art Club 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
October 3	Day 3	7/8 Grade Trip to Museum on Main Street Exhibition – Chester Library 5/6 Grade Trip to Museum on Main Street Exhibition – Chester Library Enrichment Program with Kerkhovers Initial Child Protection Training 6:00 p.m.
October 4	Day 4	Preschool – Grade 2 Field Trip to Schoenbeck Ranch 3/4 Grade Trip to Museum on Main Street Exhibition – Chester Library Enrichment Program with Kerkhovers Basketball Practice Grades 4-6 – 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. Grades 7-8 – 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
October 5	Friday	No School – Diocesan Teacher Convention

October 8	Monday	No School – Columbus Day
October 9	Day 5	Mass 8:15 a.m. (Grades 5-8) Art Club 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Basketball Practice Grades 7-8 – 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
October 10	Day 1	Enrichment Program with Kerkhovers 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Basketball Practice Grades 4-6 – 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. Grades 7-8 – 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
October 11	Day 2	Enrichment Program with Kerkhovers 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Basketball Practice Grades 4-6 – 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. Grades 7-8 – 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
October 12	Day 6	All School Mass 8:15 a.m. – Grades K-2 Liturgy Dismissal at 2:50 p.m. – No Bus Service Available
October 13	Saturday	Rosary Rally 4:30 p.m. in Rectory Yard
October 15	Day 3	Basketball Practice Grades 4-6 – 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. Grades 7-8 – 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
October 16	Day 4	Mass 8:15 a.m. (Grades 1-4) End of First Quarter Grading Period Art Club 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Basketball Practice Grades 7-8 – 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
October 17	Day 5	Grades 3/4 Pilgrimage Enrichment Program with Kerkhovers 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Basketball Practice Grades 4-6 – 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. Grades 7-8 – 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
October 18	Day 1	Picture Day Enrichment Program with Kerkhovers 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Basketball Practice Grades 4-6 – 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. Grades 7-8 – 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
October 19	Day 6	All School Mass 8:15 a.m. – Grades 7/8 Liturgy Dismissal at 2:50 p.m. – No Bus Service Available
October 21	Sunday	Children’s Liturgy (Grades 5/6) 9:00 a.m. Mass