

St. Mary's School
"Excellence in Education"
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"We, the family of St. Mary's School, are committed to promoting Catholic values to God's children through faith, Christ-centered worship, service and academic excellence."

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**IMPORTANT
INFORMATION**

Dear Parents,

I've had this in previous newsletters, but a bullet point review might be good.

- COVID+ person isolates for a minimum 10 days (as do siblings)
- close contacts will be contacted and must quarantine for a minimum of 14 days (siblings do not have to unless also identified as a close contact)
- it is helpful to know your employer's leave and COVID policies in advance

Also, the school will soon have access to look up negative test results within the system PHAVR. However, we are encouraging you to sign up for MyMarshfield or MyAspirus apps, as test results are appearing there first and you will be able to get the information on negative tests to us quicker. MCHD sends out information to COVID+ people and close contacts through the mail, however, due to the backlog of cases, it is taking a while to get information out. We e-mail and call those affected. We will also contact you a day or two before the isolation/quarantine ends to check if your child is ready to return. In previous weeks, we had sent out the same general MCHD/St. Mary's letter for notification of a COVID+ case to all St. Mary's parents via Remind as a means of public disclosure. We have a dashboard on our website (https://docs.google.com/document/d/1XZczM_2NSVzjz8HL9kK9ci-kjvNDhY7sC-IYx7VjAVQ/edit?usp=sharing) that will now serve as our public disclosure and replace the notification letter sent out via Remind. However, those that are COVID+ and close contacts will continue to be directly notified by MCHD and us.

School picture retakes are scheduled for this Friday.

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Two St. Mary's teachers were awarded grants through The Marathon School District Endowment Foundation. Mrs. Kind was awarded a grant to help with math manipulatives and virtual learning and Mrs. Langenhahn was awarded one for active listening for her music curriculum.

The Marathon School District was awarded \$40,000 through the CARES Act earlier this year. These funds are provided to and administered by the public schools (LEA) but belong to public and private schools, as it is required that they be shared between public and private schools using a formula. There are certain requirements for using this funding, largely tied to helping schools as they have reopened and to help them stay open. These funds will help St. Mary's pay for necessary school items as we continue forward this year.

The Marathon Athletic Club is having an on-line apparel sale now through October 25th. This link is also on our website: <https://fourseasonsmarathon.com/mac>.

There is a snowmobile safety course being offered by Rib Riders Snowmobile Club. It is on November 14th and 15th at the Marathon Fire Department. A link to the flyer is on our website.

This Wednesday, at 6 PM, is the Spiritual Adoption Mass for the unborn at church.

Please make note of upcoming dates and activities:

- Wednesday, October 14th: 5 - 6 Grade Mass
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- Friday, October 16th: Picture Retakes
- Monday, October 19th: 3 – 4 Grade Mass
- Wednesday, October 21st: 1 - 2 Grade Mass
- Friday, October 23rd: **No School, Diocese in-service**
- Monday, October 26th: 7 – 8 Grade Mass
- Wednesday, October 28th: 5 - 6 Grade Mass
- Thursday, October 29th and Friday, October 30th: **No School Fall Break**
- Monday, November 2nd: 3 - 4 Grade Mass
- Wednesday, November 4th: 1 – 2 Grade Mass, Celebration of Saints

Sincerely,

Mr. Koch, Principal