St. Mary's School "Excellence in Education" 716 Market Street ~ PO Box 102 Marathon WI 54448

"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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December 20th, 2021



"He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father..." -Luke 1:32

Dear Parents,

Girls in 5K - 4 can attend the Little Red Raiders basketball clinic at MAES. The clinics are on Saturdays in January starting January 15^{th} . The sign-up form is in this packet.

For those interested in ordering 5th and 6th grade girls basketball clothing, here is the link for the online store: https://shop.fourseasonsmarathon.com/stmarysbasketball. The store is set to close on December 22nd. Also, 7th and 8th grade girls in basketball will get their practice schedule and directives in this packet.

The Zoom informational meeting for the DC trip will be tomorrow at 6 PM. If you have contacted me already, I have shared the link with you. If you would still like to be part of the meeting, please e-mail me today.

We are looking forward to seeing you tonight at 6:30 (6:00 for those attending the piano recital) for our Christmas concert. Our 1st graders did an excellent job Friday with their Nativity play (picture on backside). Our 4th graders also completed their Christmas Tidings video. Both are on our YouTube channel and Facebook page. Thank you, Miss Baeseman and Mrs. Bankes, for your work with the play and video.

We'll have a causal dress day on Wednesday and students are encouraged to wear Christmas sweaters and clothes related to Christmas. Grades 7 and 8 will be caroling that day, so it is a regular dress day for them, but they are also encouraged to wear clothes related to Christmas.

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On Wednesday, we will sing Christmas songs around the Advent wreath in the gym. We will start at around 2, depending on when grades 7 and 8 return from caroling. All of you are welcome to join us at 2.

We wish you a Blessed Christmas and hope you enjoy your break.

Please make note of upcoming dates and activities:

- Monday, December 20th: Christmas Concert 6:30 PM
- December 21st and 22nd: Grades 3 8 Bowling at Marathon Sports Center
- Wednesday, December 22nd: Grades 7 and 8 Caroling trip
- Thursday, December 23rd Monday, January 3rd **No School, Christmas Break**
- Friday, December 24th: Christmas Eve Liturgies 4:00 and 6:30 PM
- Christmas Night Midnight Mass
- Saturday, December 25th: Christmas Day Liturgy 9:00 AM We wish you all a Merry Christmas
- Friday, December 31st New Year's Eve Liturgy 4:00 PM
- Saturday, January 1st News Year's Day Liturgy 9:00 AM Wishing you God's blessings in the New Year
- Tuesday, January 4th School Resumes
- Friday, January 7th Mass 8th grade, 1st Friday
- Wednesday, January 12th: 7 8 Grade Mass

Mr. Koch, Principal

The magic of Christmas is not in the presents, but in His presence."

-Unknown

