

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."

September 1, 2021

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to all new families and welcome back to all returning families. Our student population has grown again this year so we appreciate all those that are joining us whether you are new to St. Mary's or have been part of the school for a long time. New families include, Mark and Emily Cihlar, Caroline 1st, Nick and Nicole Dahnke, Archer 4K, Peter and Alexis Hale, Everleigh 5K, Stephanie Lang and Chad Kunst, Abby 4K, Fabricio and Deisy Mota, Maria Rita 4K, Scott and Carissa Panning, Oliver 4K, and Justin and Janet Van Rixel, Olivia 5K. Welcome as well to our new staff, Mrs. Bankes, 1st grade, Mrs. Kangas, aftercare, Mrs. Kulas, middle school science, health, spelling and religion, Mrs. LaQua, teacher's assistant, Mrs. Martin, aftercare and kitchen, and Mrs. Meyering, educational interventionist.

All families are invited to Liturgy in celebration of the birth of Mary, our Mother, next Wednesday, September 8th, at 8:00 AM. Students in grades 1 – 8 will be attending Mass that day but all students will be celebrating in some fashion. Each grade will once again present Mary Cakes for the celebration.

In addition to Mary Cakes returning this year, swimming at the swim center has returned as well. Swimming starts Tuesday, the 7th, and continues until the following Thursday, the 16th. Thank you to the staff at the Marathon Swim Center for helping our students and the Goldbach Foundation for their generous gift of swimming lessons. Remember swimwear, towels and goggles on these days. A swimming schedule has been included in this packet.

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Many of you visited the book fair in the gym on Monday. Our book fair continues Thursday and Friday of this week. An order form is in this packet as well.

Both boys and girls are welcome to join Scouts. The join night meeting is Thursday, September 16th, at 6 PM and the first pack meeting is on Monday, September 20th, also at 6 PM. More information to come.

The online store for St. Mary's spirit wear will open this Monday, the 6th. Products on the online store will not display, and the online store will not accept sales, until September 6th. Orders will be printed within approximately 2 weeks from the store's close date of September 17th. Here is the link for the online store: <https://shop.fourseasonsmarathon.com/stm2021>.

We are hoping to see you at Fun Days and the cheese curd stand this upcoming weekend. Our chicken dinner will be Sunday, September 26th, from 11 – 1. In addition, included in this packet are raffle tickets and additional information for our Packer Tailgate Party which is Sunday, October 10th.

Please make note of upcoming dates and activities:

- Friday, September 3rd: Back to school forms due
- Friday, September 3rd - Monday, September 6th: Fun Days/cheese curd stand
- Monday, September 6th: **No School, Labor Day**
- Monday, September 6th: Spirit Wear Sale starts
- Wednesday, September 8th: Grades 1 – 8, Mass for the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Monday, September 13th: 7 – 8 Grade Mass
- Wednesday, September 15th: 5 – 6 Grade Mass
- Friday, September 17th: Little Red Schoolhouse field trip, 4th grade
- Friday, September 17th: Spirit Wear Sale ends
- Monday, September 20th: 3 – 4 Grade Mass
- Wednesday, September 22nd: 1 - 2 Grade Mass
- Sunday, September 26th: Chicken dinner, 11 - 1
- Monday, September 27th: 7 - 8 Grade Mass
- Wednesday, September 29th: 5 - 6 Grade Mass

Mr. Koch, Principal

PRAYER FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

God of wisdom and might,
we praise you for the wonders of
our being, for mind, body, and spirit.
Be with our children as they begin
a new school year.
Bless them and their teachers and staff.

Give them strength and grace as their bodies grow;
wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they
search for understanding;
and peace and zeal to their spirits.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

~ from Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers