

ST. MARY PARENT NEWSLETTER

August 16, 2017

St. Mary School promotes faith development, academics, and service based on Gospel values.

Faith, Service, Charity, Love...We Are Catholic....We Are St. Mary

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A Note from the Principal

On August 21, 2017, for the first time since 1918, a solar eclipse will be visible on a path across the United States. Our school will be in the path of totality for the solar eclipse. St. Mary would like to make this once in a lifetime event a unique learning experience for our students. However, as always, student safety is our top concern.

Looking directly at the sun is unsafe. The only safe way to look at the eclipsed or partially eclipsed sun is through special-purpose solar filters, such as "eclipse glasses". Per NASA, homemade filters or ordinary sunglasses, even very dark ones, are not safe for looking at the sun. There is a concern about the quality of solar glasses, even when purchased from a reliable vendor.

The School has purchased eclipse glasses to wear during the eclipse but again, there is concern about counterfeit glasses even from reliable sources and student safety. This information has been included in the news and other scientific information.

Therefore, we are offering you the opportunity to experience this rare event. You would like to be granted to experience this rare event. We will not be performing this during the hours of 12:30pm to 3:45pm.

In Christ, Mrs. Stmary820@c

Guild Officers for 2017-2018:

- Sara Shuter, President
Theresa Hall, Vice President
Kasey Bohlander, Secretary
Karen Sayre, Treasurer
Free dress Tuesday, August 22nd for parent guild attendance

Other News from the Guild

- August 9, 2017: Mum orders start
August 24: Mum orders must be returned

Thank you to the Parent Guild and all the parents for your continued academic and spiritual support of our school, teachers and students!

To Volunteer in any capacity for the school (including sharing school lunch), each person must complete Safe and Sacred Protocol Training as mandated by the Diocese.
https://safeandsacred-dol-in.org
Click on the web address, create an account, and complete, "Protecting God's Children in the 21st Century".
***Please click the box for a criminal history check!!!!

St. Mary's Faculty and Staff:

- Rev. Dan Duff, Pastor
Marca Budzenski, Principal
Robyn Stinson, Pre-K
Rachel Duckworth, K, 5/6 Math, 7/8 Science
Mary Tocci, 1st/2nd Grade
Marcie Greenlee, 3rd/4th Grade
Linda Ellis, 5th/6th Grade
Kim Terry, 7th/8th Grade, 4th grade Reading
Becky Rice, Music, 3rd-8th Religion
Scott Rowland, P.E., Health, Technology
2nd grade Reading

Office Hours:

- M: 7:30am-5:30pm
T: 7:30am-5:30pm
W: 7:30am-5:30pm
TH: 7:30am-5:30pm
F: 7:30am-4:00pm
Or by appointment

OPEN MATH LAB

- Open to all students in Grades K-8
Monday/Wednesday 3:00pm-3:45pm
(snack provided)

Drama Club

- Open to students in grades 2-8
Thursday 3:00-3:45pm
\$10.00 Fee

Tax Credit Scholarships: Please remember we need donations to the Tax Credit Scholarship Fund (\$25,000). Personal/business donors are eligible to take advance of a 50% TAX CREDIT against their state tax liability. www.i4qed.org/sgo/donors

Card Game Night!!!!!!

Bring a deck of cards, your favorite soda beverage and a snack to share and join St. Mary's on Thursday, August 17th. Students are required to follow uniform guidelines. Uniform infractions will be enforced. Students will be assigned to Wednesday detention and not allowed to participate in free dress days if they do not comply with the uniform guidelines. A copy of the uniform policy is included in the Wednesday folder. Only certain shirt colors and certain short/pant styles are permitted. Please refer to the guidelines for appropriate dress.



Baby-sitting help sit and at, 765-724-

Quick Uniform Check:

We would like to extend an invitation for all parishioners, parents and friends to join us in celebrating our faith!

Schedule:

Tuesday: 8:00am, Pray the Rosary or the Divine Mercy Chaplet

Wednesday: 1st Wednesday of the month-PK-K; 2nd Wednesday of the month grades 1-2/3-4; 3rd Wednesday of the month grades 5-6/7-8

Thursday: All school Communion Service

Friday: All School Mass

Holy Days that fall during the week: All School Mass