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SAINT MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

EXCELLENCE IN FAITH + SCHOLARSHIP + SERVICE

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September 10, 2009

Friday, September 11, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All School Mass - Grade 8 9:00 am• Kindergarten - 1/2 day NOON DISMISSAL NO BUS SERVICE•
Monday, September 14, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Morning Prayer - Grade 7• Kindergarten - 1/2 day NOON DISMISSAL NO BUS SERVICE
Tuesday, September 15, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kindergarten - 1/2 day NOON DISMISSAL NO BUS SERVICE• JV Volleyball - AWAY @ HAACH 5:00 PM• Varsity Volleyball AWAY @ HAACH 6:00 PM
Wednesday, September 16, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Middle School Mass - Grade 7 9:00 am• Kindergarten - 1/2 day NOON DISMISSAL NO BUS SERVICE
Thursday, September 17, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kindergarten - 1/2 day NOON DISMISSAL NO BUS SERVICE• JV Volleyball - AWAY @ St. Joe 4:30 PM• Varsity Volleyball AWAY @

	West Highland 5:00 PM
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Principal Points:

It was good to see all of the families that were able to come to our Open House this past Wednesday night. We are very excited about the new school year and are off to a great start. Thank you so much for all of you who were able to look over the Volunteers Invited Program information and find a spot where your talents lie. If you have not had the opportunity to sign up yet we have the sign up sheet is still available in the Gathering Space until the end of the day on Friday; however if you would like to sign up after that we will be most happy to provide you with the information.

Please be patient with postings on the Web page as I am still learning the whole process and am hopeful that I will master it in a short amount of time!

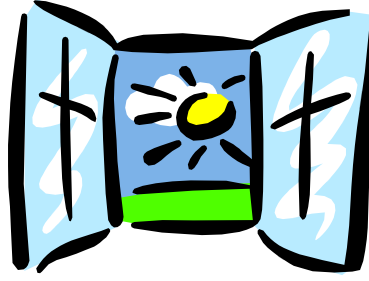
Have a great week.

Veronica Kinsey

School Calendar Update:

**Auction Date has been changed to April 17th,
2010**

THE WINDOW



PRE-SCHOOL & LATCHKEY NEWS

YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE ENROLLED IN ST. MARY PRESCHOOL PROGRAM TO ATTEND PRESCHOOL DAYCARE

New! New! New! We'll be starting our new Day Care and Latchkey program on the very first day of school, September 8th, which is a half day. K-8th graders, bring a bag lunch and all of your left over summer energy. We'll picnic by the nature area, explore the stream and nature trails on the school property and play kickball or baseball on the baseball diamond. After cooling down with some quieter activities, we hope to bake some Jiffy cookies for a snack. Register your families for care and fill out a schedule... Don't miss out on the fun!

But wait, there's more!!! Afternoon care will be available for all **Kindergarteners** during the **first 2 weeks** of school. Parents have errands to run? Don't feel like coming to school so many times every day? Consider signing up for afternoon care. There will be quiet time and bustling activities, crafts, games and more.

For registration, fees and schedules, contact the school office.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Student Directory:

If you would not like you family address or phone number published in the student directory please call the school office @ 734-878-5616.

Free & Reduce Hot Lunch Program:

Free & Reduce Lunch Program Applications are available on the Pinckney Community Schools web site - [www. pinckneycommunityschools .com](http://www.pinckneycommunityschools.com).

St. Mary Eucharistic Adoration:

In honor of this special year, called by Pope Benedict XVI the Year of the Priest (June 19, 2009 – June 19, 2010), we would like to get more parishioners to make a regular holy hour in our parish Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

If you are not already making a regular holy hour now is the time to start! What better place to say our prayers and intentions than in the very presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

To sign up for an hour look at the complete adoration schedule posted above the sign in book just outside the chapel. Please sign up for whatever hour (or half hour) you can commit to. Feel free to sign up by writing your name directly on the hour of your choice at the St. Mary Chapel.

The Holy Father has named St. John Baptiste Marie Vianney (Patron of priests) as the patron of this year. Remember to ask him to pray with you for all of our priests.

“When we go before the Blessed Sacrament let us open our heart; our good God will open His.” - St John Vianney (Feast day: August 4)

St Mary Eucharistic Adoration Coordinators

Mary Jo Nicholas

P.S. You might consider coming an hour before you pick up your child/children from school. What a better way to relax and bring your petitions for your family before the Lord. If you would just like to try this out, there is an opening during the month of October (the month of the rosary) on Wednesdays from 2pm to 3pm.

Children's Clothing Exchange:

St Mary will host the Second Annual Children's Clothing Exchange October 8th-10th, 2009

Got kids? Need some extra cash? Consider being a consignor!

How can you shop the Consignment Pre-Sale before we open to the public?

Volunteer!!

We are in need of volunteers to help with advertising, receiving, set up, and organizing items, hall monitors, sales/tag table, cashiers, and charity organizers.

We know your time is valuable. All the jobs will be in 1 hour time slots, so you can choose the job and times that fits your schedule.

Last year, with your help, St. Mary School had the privilege to serve our community and many local charities. Your donations were distributed to: Pregnancy Helpline, Hearts, Inc., St. Louis Center, Love Inc. and Flint ministry.

Please consider what you can do to support this fundraiser.

Visit the Consignment Sale web page for more information on the sale and the new 2009 Contract. Please email any questions to consignment@stmarypinckney.org

Fall Social – Road Rally & After Party:

Grease Lightning!!!

Thanks to all the families that signed up to donate a food or drink item for the Road Rally After Party. If you missed the sign-up sheet or you missed Back-to-School night we still have items that are needed. Look for the sign up sheet on the VIP! bulletin board in the gathering space. By all of us pitching in we are guaranteed a low-cost event.

The Road Rally will begin at St. Mary's with the clues and puzzles taking your team through Livingston County. Pack your car with friends, family and neighbors; this is sure to be a night of crazy fun. To register for the Road Rally you can pick up a registration form in the office or you can register online by going to the church or school homepage and click on the Road Rally link.

2009 – 2010

SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

Tuesday, September 8, 2009	School Opens ½ Day of School
Wednesday, September 9, 2009	First Full Day of School Back to School Night 7:00 PM
Thursday, September 24, 2009	Walk-A-Thon
Thursday, October 8, 2009	Consignment Sale
Friday, October 9, 2009	Consignment Sale
Saturday, October 10, 2009	Consignment Sale
Thursday, October 29, 2009	NO SCHOOL MANS Conference
Friday, October 30, 2009	NO SCHOOL MANS Conference
Friday, November 13, 2009	NO SCHOOL End of First Marking Period
Monday, November 23, 2009	Teacher – Parent Conferences

Tuesday, November 24, 2009	½ day NOON DISMISSAL NO BUS SERVICE @ DISMISSAL Teacher – Parent Conferences
Wednesday, November 25, 2009	NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break
Thursday, November 26, 2009	NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break
Friday, November 27, 2009	NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break
Tuesday, December 8, 2009	Full Day of School NO BUS SERVICE @ DISMISSAL
Thursday, December 17, 2009	Christmas Program 7:00 PM
Tuesday, December 22, 2009	Christmas Vacation Starts @ End of Day
Monday, January 4, 2010	Classes resume
Monday, January 18, 2010	NO SCHOOL / Teacher Training
Friday, January 29, 2010	End of Second Marking Period
Friday, February 12, 2010	NO SCHOOL Winter Break
Monday, February 15, 2010	NO SCHOOL Winter Break
Friday, March 12, 2010	NO SCHOOL / Teacher Training
Wednesday, March 31, 2010	Spring Break Starts @ End of Day End of Third Marking Period
Monday, April 12, 2010	Classes Resume
Friday, April 16, 2010	½ day NOON DISMISSAL NO BUS SERVICE @ DISMISSAL Auction Set-Up
Saturday, April 17, 2010	Auction

Friday, May 14, 2010	NO SCHOOL / Teacher Training
Friday, May 28, 2010	NO SCHOOL
Monday, May 31, 2010	NO SCHOOL
Thursday, June 3, 2010	Field Day
Wednesday, June 9, 2010	½ Day Last Day of School NOON DISMISSAL NO BUS SERVICE @ DISMISSAL