

MARION MESSENGER

November 12, 2009

WEEK-AT-GLANCE

Friday, November 13, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NO SCHOOL• Teacher's Record Day
Saturday, November 14, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CROP till you drop!!! 9:00 am – 3:00 PM• Euchre Party – After 5:00 Mass to benefit the 8th Grade Class trip
Monday, November 16, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Morning Prayer – Grade 5
Tuesday, November 17, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dress Down Day to benefit 7th Grade BaySail trip - \$1.00
Wednesday, November 18, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NO MASS• Market Day Pick-Up
Thursday, November 19, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thinking Cap Quiz Bowl – Grade 8• H1N1 forms due to office from Middle School parents
Friday, November 20, 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All School Mass – Grade 7• Report Cards sent home

PRINCIPAL POINTS:

NO Hot Lunch on Monday, November 23rd.

*Thanks to all of you for sending in all of the **box tops**. Mrs. LeVasseur trimmed and counted all of them and they were worth a total of \$762.60!!! That is a lot of box tops at ten cents each! We are still collecting so keep sending them in and we will continue to trim and count. ☺ There is a new big box located in the office.

***Riverside Pizza Fundraiser** last week brought in \$150.00 for our technology fund. Thank you to all who were able to participate in this fundraiser. Our next pizza night will be on Wednesday, December 2nd. Please mark your calendars!

****Raffle Tickets** are available for pick up. There seems to be a small misunderstanding about the tickets this year. **Our raffle and the church raffle are the same.** The best part about combining them is that all ticket sales from school families go directly to the school! The church is taking responsibility for all prize money! Take advantage of seeing people over the Thanksgiving holiday and sell, sell, sell! **Raffle Ticket money is due into the school office by December 15th.**

***The Livingston County Health Department** will be here on Wednesday, November 24th at 9:00am to give **free H1N1 shots for students in the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades** only. A packet of information, including a permission slip, went home with all students in these grades today. If you would like your child to participate in this; please complete the consent form and return it back to school by **Thursday, November 19th.**

Have a great week,

Veronica Kinsey

THE CLASSROOM WINDOW

Kindergarten NEWS

The kindergarten class is moving through the seasons. As time passes the kindergarten is paying attention to all the different ways that we mark the passage of time. At the calendar we learn about yesterday and tomorrow. We count the number of days we have been in school. We are learning about special days in November, All Saints Day, Veterans Day and Thanksgiving Day. We are also learning about the different seasons of the year and the liturgical seasons in the church.

We are getting ready to begin our next reading theme "In the Barnyard". We will start this unit with a trip to Kensington Farm Center next Monday. We will get a chance to meet all the farm animals and learn how important the family farm has been in our community.

In math we have learned all about patterns and now we are practicing our number writing skills with the Green Bean Game.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Calling all beach bums...

- The Auction Team is in need of large baskets!
- Watch for details coming in December regarding classroom competitions!

- A special thanks to the following people for taking procuring sheets: Scott Oakes, Kim Chiminski, Suzanne Ickes, Lisa Wack, Julie Flaherty, Jim and Mary Wroten, Joann Jessop, Sherry Jasinski, Pam McGlade, and David Plait. We appreciate your support!!

Dress Down Day:

The seventh grade will sponsor a dress-down day on **Tuesday, November 17**, to benefit their BaySail class trip in May. To participate, students should bring \$1 in an envelope, clearly marked with "Dress-Down Day" **and the student's name and grade**. Thank you for your support!

The Cheer Team is hosting a bake sale after masses on Saturday, November 21 and 22nd. We are a small squad but hoping to help defray the cost of new uniforms. If you are able to help out with a baked good donation; we would appreciate it. Donations can be dropped off at the school office or in the kitchen on Friday November 20 -- labeled bake sale. **Please be sure to label items with nuts or nut free.** Thanks for your support!

Coat/Sock/Men's clothes drive: The Christian Service team will be collecting coats, socks (gently used is preferred) and men's clothing for the Flint area. Please leave the items in the church or school office. Thank you for your help. If you have any questions, please call Julie Flaherty 734-878-9547 or soccermom07@gmail.com

On December 6th, 2009 St Mary Catholic Parish, proudly sponsors its annual "**Community Christmas Breakfast**". Breakfast is served 8:30 until 11:30am and is a Free-Will Donation. Proceeds provide food baskets for our neighbors in need and funding for our Community Food Banks, Gleaners, Love Inc and St Mary's. All donations are welcomed and tax receipts are available upon request. We have the best menu in the area which includes: fried or scrambled eggs, hash browns, biscuits and gravy, French toast, pancakes, quiche, ham, pork sausage, and of course our renowned "waffle station". **Mrs. Santa Claus** will be on hand to lead the **Christmas Carols** and the kids will enjoy the **free face painting provided by "Oddzin Ends"**. It is truly a **Community Christmas Event** and **All are Welcome** to join as a Family to help our Neighbors. For further information contact Heather at Parish Office 734-878-3161

St. Mary's Rosary Altar Society will hold their annual **Christmas Bazaar** on Saturday, December 5th 2009 from 10am to 4pm. Over 100 crafters and vendors will be selling their unique gifts. Lunch, bake sale, and raffle tickets may also be purchased. For more information please call Mary at 734-878-6563.

The Rosary Altar Society is having a CHRISTMAS BAZAAR on December 5, 2009. We are asking our School families if they can help with the following: donated craft items or slightly used items for our Craft table...contact Eileen at 734-878-9025; donated Homemade Baked items for our Bake Sale Table...items can be dropped off on Friday, December 4th after 1pm or Saturday morning; Crafters and Vendors to be in our show...contact Mary at 734-878-6563. Thank you for your much needed help.

CROP till you DROP!!

It's that time again ... Get caught up on your pages while helping the school auction team raise some much-needed funds. ALL crafters welcome ... scrappers, stampers, sewing, card making, knitting, etc. \$10 admission includes pizza lunch, lemonade, coffee and one door prize raffle ticket. Other raffles also available. Bring all your friends: Saturday Nov. 14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the St. Mary Multi-Purpose Room. Please RSVP to Pam McGlade at 734-954-0733 or onthethe8th@charter.net.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

This year's volleyball season was wonderful. We thank the parish, school, teachers and parents for their support. We also thank Mrs. Kinsey and Mr. McGlade for their guidance of the athletic program. Our student athletes represented St. Mary Catholic School with great pride and sportsmanship. Our JV team did a great job. They were competitive against all of their opponents and took 2nd place in the St. Paul Invitational Tournament. The JV team consisted of the following girls: Hannah Kiel (6th), Selina Ortiz (6th), Alana Sullivan (6th), Allie Claffey (5th), Lindsay Hovorka (5th), Ashley Jasinski (5th), Jessica Haynes (4th), Olivia Menosky (4th) and Megan Sullivan (4th).

Our Varsity team was undefeated in league play, achieved 1st place in the St. Paul Invitational Tournament, MMIAA league and end of season tournament. The Varsity team consisted of the following young ladies: Makena Gabel (8th), Haleigh Kiel (8th) Rachel Kukalis (8th), Rebecca Kukalis (8th), Marie Partarrieu (8th), JoAnn Stepaniak (8th), Brooke Craig (7th), Lindsay Jasinski (7th), Rachael Menosky (7th), Natalie Pettengill (7th) and Taylor Wilson (7th).

Both teams welcomed new and experienced players, they worked hard to develop team and volleyball specific skills. As coaches we are very proud of their work as student athletes and congratulate them on a great season.

Coaches: Angie Nagy and Scott Oakes

Children's Clothing Exchange

Thank you to all who participated in the consignment sale/school fundraiser.

The sale was a BIG success!

It was very well received, with great feedback about how organized & easy it was to shop! There has been much interest from the community to continue to have St Mary host this event annually! This event cost \$0!! The fundraising dollars earned was: **\$1453.50**. Thanks to sponsors: TJMaxx and Nancy Harris (Hearts Community Services, Inc.) for donation of racks and the deBeauclair's, Domen's and an anonymous donor for donating advertising. Their generosity helped keep the cost down to maximize our earnings. St. Mary School had the privilege to serve our community and many local charities.

Your donations were distributed to:

Pregnancy Helpline

Hearts Community Services, Inc.

Love Inc.

Flint ministry

We should be proud that we have done a wonderful community service while raising funds for the school.

Thank you for your efforts & support to help the Children's Clothing Exchange succeed!

With a grateful heart,
Wendy Warshal

