

MARION MESSENGER

February 4, 2010

WEEK-AT-GLANCE

Friday, February 5, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All School Mass – Grade 7• Popcorn & Movie Day• First Friday Food Drive• Report Cards Go Home• 1st Reconciliation Mass – Grade 2• Girls Varsity Basketball - AWAY TBD St. Paul
Saturday 6, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Girls Varsity Basketball - AWAY TBD St. Paul
Monday, February 8, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Morning Prayer – Grade 1
Tuesday, February 9, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•
Wednesday, February 10, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Primary Mass – Grade 3• Valentine Day Parties – P4 & Y5
Thursday, February 11, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Valentine Day Parties – P3 & Grades K-8• Girls JV Basketball – HOME St. Joe 5:00 PM• Girls Varsity Basketball – HOME St. Joe 6:00 PM
Friday, February 12, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NO SCHOOL• Girls JV Basketball – 5th Grade AWAY @ St. Joe 4:30 PM• Girls Varsity Basketball 7th Grade– AWAY @ St. Pats 5:00 PM
Monday, February 15, 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NO SCHOOL

REMINDER:

**ELEMENTARY LUNCH TICKETS ARE \$11.75
(5 LUNCHES)**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL LUNCH TICKETS ARE
\$13.00 (5 LUNCHES)**

PRINCIPAL POINTS:

***It was very nice to see all of you on Wednesday at the invite a guest to lunch. Everything that I could see went smoothly and all the guests had a great time with their St. Mary Student. I heard a lot of favorable comments about our school and the children. I felt like a proud mom! Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with set up, serve, and clean up. I couldn't have done it without all of you. Thank you Mr. McGlade for setting everything up with Riverside Pizza.**

***Thank you to all of the families who participated in the school Mass last Sunday and to all who gave their support by attending. I saw a lot of St. Mary Wildcat wear and lots of pride in our school. I will save my speech for next year with just a few adjustments.**

**Please, Please, Please! If your child has a fever or throws up, they must stay home for 24 hours after the fever has broke or the last time the vomiting has occurred. We have had lots of flu bugs going around and we want to keep it under control as much as possible. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.*

***Congratulations to all of the Second Graders on making their first Reconciliation tonight and on Friday evening.**

***Reminder that report cards will be sent home tomorrow with your child. It is always great to see how proud the children are when they can show you all of their accomplishments. My own children still do that. Of course they always like to hear how proud we are of them. If you would like to talk to your student's**

teacher about their progress, please contact them to set up a time.

*****Parents of current 6th and 7th graders, the application for the scholarship through the Greater Lansing Catholic Education Foundation is now available on line. The due date is March 8, 2010. Please look for the flyer going home with your child today for more information about how to help get money for your next years tuition.**

Have a great week,

Veronica Kinsey

THE CLASSROOM WINDOW

Art/Computers News

Art:

I would like to thank all the families who gave me such thoughtful gifts at Christmas. Your kindness is very much appreciated.

Kindergarten thru Fifth grade are finishing up their Earth Day posters for the DEQ annual poster contest. Hopefully we will have more winners this year. The posters do look awesome! The Sixth and Seventh grade are finishing a printmaking unit. The Eighth grade is finishing an oil pastel piece of work. All classes will begin a clay unit. I will be sending home art work from the first semester of the school year.

Computers:

Grades 3 to 8 are finishing up their power point presentations and did a remarkable job. Their knowledge of the program produced some creative and delightful presentations. Also, make sure to take a look at their Publisher projects in the hall when you visit this week.

The computer lab is humming every lunch hour with busy students. It is the time of year when projects from history, science and social studies classes require the use of computers. All the skills that they learned in doing safe but efficient internet research are coming into play. Next in middle school, we will be focusing on MLA and APA formats for writing research papers.

Thank you for all the fund raising efforts and donations for new computers. We desperately need them as well as the upgraded software, as we are holding the existing ones together with prayers and TLC. Hopefully we will meet our goal by the spring.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Calling all beach bums...

Who doesn't like to spend the day at the beach? Better yet, who doesn't like to spend the day at the beach snacking on some scrumptious "sea-side" foods? Good food is synonymous with St. Mary Auction and this year is no different. Our food procurer Linda Schneider has done it again. Serving up the goods are Lakelands Country Club, Riverside Pizza, Desserts by Randy, Lighthouse Café, Busch's, Boar's Head Deli Meats & Cheeses, Hungry Howies, Edible Arrangements, Blue Fin Steakhouse, Bear Claw Coffee and our very own St. Mary Men's Club. Please support these businesses just as they support us. See you at the beach – Saturday April 17, 2010.

• Catch a Wave – or a great LIVE item

Beach Bums - Fun in the Sun Package

Need sunshine? Need relaxation? Need the summer vacation you've always dreamed of? This is it! You and your guests will enjoy 7 nights (August 21-28, 2010) in a two-bedroom, two-bath beach villa at the Marriott Legends Edge at Bay Pointe in Panama City Beach, Florida. Villa can comfortably sleep 6-8 guests and features a fully equipped kitchen with separate living/dining area and a washer/dryer combo. Loose yourself (and maybe the kids) in one of the many perks the property offers; a luxurious heated pool, children's activity club, easy access to St. Andrews State Park with a quick walk to the white sand beach of Panama City and close to the uninhabited Shell Island. If golf is what gets you to bid, you have two Championship courses to choose from - Nicklaus Design Course or the Meadows Golf Course at Bay Pointe. Package also includes \$100 in Hofrau Beer Garden gift certificates to enjoy an evening out. Don't let this one get away! Donated by the Plait Family

• The Pipeline - What's happening – What's needed

Classroom Competition – Those cute little Kindergarteners are in the lead.....but 1st and 3rd are not too far behind. Get your donations in because this week is the end of the competition.

Saturday Feb. 20th – CROP Day, auction

fundraiser. All crafters welcome. \$10 includes pizza lunch and drinks.

Register in the gathering space or email Pam onthe8th@charter.net.

Tuesday March 2nd – Jewelry fundraiser in the St.

Mary Multi-Purpose room. Watch for details.

Needed - Parents to help with the LIVE auction item Late-Night Luau (school sleepover). Parents would assist the coordinator with games and activities from 6-11pm on Saturday May 22nd. The auction team is also looking for a St. Mary family willing to dog sit “the puppy” the week prior to the auction. Contact Debbie Miller or Kerri Cross if you are available to help with either of these needs.

• DUDE! - We need these items:

Cost Co Gift Cards (any denomination – needed to finish LIVE package)

Camping Tent and Sleeping Bags

Rockband Wii

Alcohol (Rum, Vodka, Tequila) & Drink Mixers

Sports Tickets (Suites too!)

Kitchen Items, Pizza Stone, Popcorn Bowl

Signed Sports Memorabilia

Entertaining Serving Sets/Easy Up Tents

Golf Excursions

Matching Cleaning Supplies (i.e. Target \$ Spot has these)

4 Cup Coffee Maker & 2 Matching Coffee Cups

Picnic Blankets/Table Clothes

Cricut Machine/Accessories & Cuddlebug Accessories

Monopoly, Checkers and other board games

• WipeOut – décor wishlist

Surf boards

Large pieces of cardboard – refrigerator, washer/dryer, tv boxes are great.

Wooden ships wheel

Baskets

Bright colored paint

Get in on the Totally Tubular action – send the follow photos to: onthe8th@charter.net

Family Beach Photos

Kids Fishing Photos

• Surfs Up – Supporters

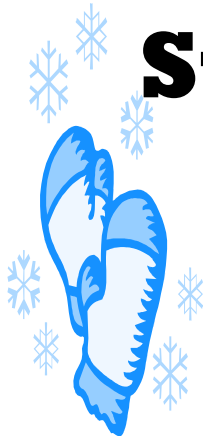
Gnarly thanks to the LeVasseur, Menosky, Miller, Bonifer, Torongo and deBeauclair families for their item donations and especially to Hannah Menosky for her item donations. Way Cool to the Moenart, Myher, Schneider and Menosky families for their cash donations and a serious HANG TEN to the Knights of Columbus, The Rosary Alter Society and The Men's Club for their continuous and unwavering support. If you know someone involved in these organizations please mention you appreciate all they do for our school.

Visit the link on the school homepage for more details.

HAVE YOU SEEN "THE JACKET"?

- WHAT:** St. Mary 2010 Traveling Jacket. One of a kind embroidered Columbia fleece jacket
- WHERE:** On display and seeking donations at St. Mary School and parish events
- WHEN:** Now – Auction night (April 17, 2010)
- WHY:** To create an item for the LIVE Auction and to provide the winning bidder with cash
- HOW TO DONATE:** Stuff "The Jacket" with cash donations (few dollars, \$20, \$100, or any bill amount) whenever you see it on display
- HOW TO WIN:** Bid on "The Jacket" and unknown amount of cash stuffed into the jacket up to the LIVE auction. Winning bidder receives jacket AND the unknown amount of cash. Be the winning bidder to get the cash.

Be the first to own "The St. Mary Traveling Jacket" and you will go home with a *fleece full of funds*.

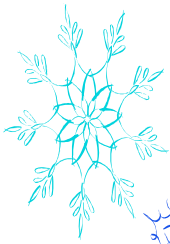


St. Mary's Parish

Men's Club Presents



February's Frosty Feast



Country Style Breakfast!

Sunday February 7, 2010

From 8:30am to 11:00am

FREE WILL DONATION

**Proceeds to Purchase New Maintenance
Equipment for the Church & School**

Tax receipt available

AREA'S BEST MENU!

Eggs - Scrambled or Fried
Hash brown potatoes
Biscuits and sausage gravy
Quiche
Pancakes
Toast - Regular and Raisin
French toast & Raisin French
toast
Ham
Pork sausage links
Coffee, tea, milk, and orange
juice

*And of Course the
Waffle Station!*

Musical Guests -
Kevin Flaherty &
Crista Kolnitys



50/50 Raffle

1ST prize $\frac{1}{2}$ the POT!

2nd prize Gift Card to
Ed Bock's Feed & Stuff

3rd prize

Free Oil Change at
Pinckney Chrysler Dodge Jeep



