

# THE MARIAN MESSENGER

## SAINT MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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**Thursday, October 18, 2007**

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### Week-At-A-Glance

Friday, October 19, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All School Liturgy – Grade 7 @ 9:00 AM</li></ul>
Saturday, October 20, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Road Rally @ 6:00 PM</li></ul>
Monday, October 22, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Morning Prayer – Grade 1</li></ul>
Tuesday, October 23, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Fieldtrip to Howell Nature Center</li><li>• 7<sup>th</sup> &amp; 8<sup>th</sup> Gr. Boys meet with Catholic Central Rep. @ 9:00 AM</li><li>• Co-Ed Soccer @ <b>HOME</b> vs. HAACH @ 4:30 PM</li><li>• Girls Volleyball @ <b>HOME</b> vs. HAACH – 6<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30 PM and, 8<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 PM</li></ul>
Wednesday, October 24, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Middle School Liturgy – Grade 8 @ 9:00 AM</li><li>• Kindergarten Fieldtrip to Spicers' Orchard</li><li>• Market Day Pick-up</li></ul>
Thursday, October 25, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Fieldtrip to Matthaei Botanical Gardens</li><li>• Girls Volleyball @ <b>HOME</b> vs. West Highland – 7<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 PM</li><li>• PTC General Meeting @ 7:00 PM in the Multi-use Room</li></ul>

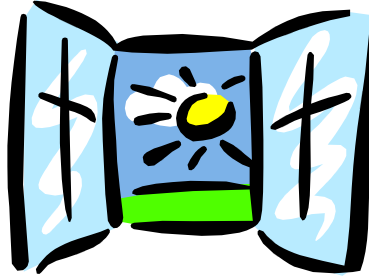
### **Principal Points:**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

- Thank you to Mrs. Flaherty and all of the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade parents and students for providing a wonderful lunch to the staff. The lunch was delicious and very much appreciated!
- Are you still saving your Campbell's Soup Labels and Box Tops? I hope so...We still have a couple of weeks to go in order to reach our goal of 10,000. Remember: SAVE, SAVE, SAVE!!!
- Please don't forget to bring your rosaries to our morning prayers during the month of October.
- Representatives from Mercy High School and Catholic Central High School will come to St. Mary School on Tuesday, 10/23, to speak with our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students about the programs offered at their respective schools. Bring your questions!
- The 6<sup>th</sup> grade will visit Howell Nature Center on Tuesday, October 23.
- Mrs. Weber's 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class will host a visit from their pen pals from Holy Redeemer School in Burton, on Friday, October 26. Our visitors will join us for Friday Liturgy and stay to spend part of the school day with us. Let's welcome and thank them for the visit when they arrive!
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will travel to Matthaei Botanical Gardens at the University of Michigan on Thursday, October 25.
- The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students have completed MEAP testing. Results generally take several weeks to arrive, so, stay tuned!

Best regards,  
John Gilboe

# THE WINDOW



## **Second Grade News:**

The Second Graders are excited this year as they prepare to receive two great sacraments, the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Holy Eucharist! Recently, we have been studying about the importance of the Sacrament of Baptism, which is the stepping stone for all the other sacraments. This is also a special year because we are pen pals with the Second Graders from Holy Redeemer School, which is Father Bill's former parish. The children have been working very hard on a song entitled "Table Prayer", which they will be singing and signing with their pen pals at our All School Mass on October 26. The children are looking forward to their pen pals visit!

In Reading, the children have been learning about the difference between fantasy and realism. In English, the children have been learning about sentences and they wrote their own acrostic name poems.

In Math, we have been working on the following concepts: tens and ones, writing numbers in three different ways, problem solving, and learning algebraic concepts by looking for patterns on a hundred chart.

In Social Studies, the children have been learning about the different communities that people belong to. In Science, the children have been learning about living things, once-living things, and nonliving things. In addition to this, they have been learning about plants and animals. They are looking forward to their upcoming field trip on October 25 to the U of M Botanical Gardens and Trails.

## **For Your Information:**

### **1. Bingo Schedule for October 21st:**

Position	Family/Person Responsible
Senior Chairperson	
Chairperson	Zdanowski Family
Caller	Liddy Family
Kitchen Worker	Nagy Family
Floor Worker/Kitchen Worker/Tag	Nagy Family
Floor Worker	Masinda Family
Charity Game/Floor Worker	Campbell Family
Charity Game/Floor Worker	

**Please Note if a schedule change has been submitted and does not show above please contact Melinda Gannon 810-231-3156.**

## 2. **PTC News:**

Sgt. Doug La Lone will open the PTC general meeting on Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM with a presentation of school safety protocols. In compliance with new regulations, St. Mary School must conduct two Lockdown drills in which the occupants are restricted to the interior of the building and the building is secured. Sgt. La Lone will explain Lockdown procedures and share his experience in developing safety programs for schools. Please plan to attend.

## 3. **Box Top – Campbell Labels News:**

The top three positions remain unchanged from last week.

1st Place - Mrs. Weber's second grade class with 850 points

2nd Place - Mrs. Mabel's eighth grade class with 458 points

3rd Place - Ms. Trierweiler's kindergarten class with 302 points

The total number of points collected to date is 2,355.

The fourth and seventh grade classes have not turned in anything. Perhaps they are waiting until the last minute to surprise everyone and take the lead at the last minute.

Please remember that **we do not collect Betty Crocker points.** Many of these were submitted this past week but could not be counted.

God Bless You for your stewardship. Ann Langford

## 4. **Road Rally:**

The Road Rally Fun-Raiser will be held October 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Please join us as we unravel clues throughout Livingston County to get us to the final destination where food, pop, beer and wine will be served and prizes will be handed out. The cost is \$25.00 per person. The Registration Form are available in the school office.

## 5. **Auction News:**

**DATE CHANGE**~ Please note: the official date of the Auction has been changed to **Saturday, APRIL 12th.** Please mark your calendars. There were building and event conflicts that prevented us to hold the Auction in March of 2008. The good thing is we have more time to plan and solicit area businesses.

We have received a lot of positive feedback on this year's theme: *That's Amore'- An Evening in Italy!!* This is our school's largest fundraiser and we rely heavily on its revenue to help support our school. We have a budget to meet of \$185,000 through our fundraisers. Please plan to join us this spring - bring you friends and family for a *Bella Sera* [beautiful evening] and show off this beautiful school. Wait until you see the elaborate transformation of the school into the beautiful Country of Italy!! Visit Venice, Tuscany, Vatican City and the country-side of Florence!! Shop in Milan and the open markets of Sicily!! All without leaving Pinckney!!

It is also time to start planning the Classroom Craft Projects. Parents should hear from Homeroom Reps soon. Each classroom will create one-of-a-kind, unique art projects of some type to be auctioned off at this year's Christmas Concert. Proceeds will benefit the School Wish List at the Auction this spring.

We continue to need additional volunteers to help us plan this year's event. Do you have any Graphic Design experience? Are you creative and crafty? Do you have connections with potential corporate sponsors, sports teams, concert theaters, golf courses, time-shares, or hotel accommodations? These are vital areas that will assist us complete some LIVE auction packages. Please contact a Team Member if you can help.

For more information or to volunteer your talents, please contact Shannon Orłowski, Chairperson @ 517-548-6742. Please keep the success of the Auction in your prayers throughout the school year.  
*Grazie Mille*-Thank you very much!!

## **6. High School Entrance Exams:**

The following Catholic High Schools have provided us with the following entrance exam information:  
Detroit Catholic Central – Novi: Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> @ 7:45 AM. Fee of \$23.00. No preregistration is required. For more call 249-596-3810.  
Fr. Gabriel Richard – Ann Arbor: Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> @ 7:45 AM. Fee of \$23.00. To register for the exam and to receive an application packet contact 734-662-0496 ext. 249.

## **7. 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Bottle Drive:**

The 7th grade families will be hosting a bottle/can drive the week of 10/29-11/2 to help defray the cost of the Bay Sail field trip. Please drop off your returnable cans/bottles in front of the school. If you are able to help with the can drive, please call Julie Flaherty 734-878-9547.

## **8. Fall Leaf Rally:**

The Matthaei Botanical Gardens and Nichols Arboretum invite kids and families to visit for their Fall Leaf Rally October 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> from noon to 3:00 PM. They're celebrating autumn with 2 days of activities for kids and families! For more information call 734-647-7600

## **9. A Thank you from the Schultz Family:**

Thank you for your prayers, meals, cards, and support after our son Luke's accident. Thank you also to the first grade class for the generous gift basket. Luke is recovering amazingly well and we know your prayers helped make that possible. People began praying for Luke even before he reached the hospital, and we believe this made all the difference. We would like to share with you a verse that helped us through this time. Truly, the Lord intends it for all of us!

“For I know well the plans I have in mind for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare, not for woe! Plans to give you a future full of hope. When you call me, when you go to pray to me, I will listen to you.”  
-Jeremiah 29:11-12.

Thank you,  
Doug and Heather Schultz and Family