

# THE MARIAN MESSENGER

## SAINT MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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**Thursday, February 7, 2008**

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### Week-At-A-Glance

Friday, February 8, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All School Liturgy – Grade 4 @ 9:00 AM</li><li>• Stations of the Cross @ 2:30 PM</li></ul>
Monday, February 11, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Morning Prayer – Grade 3</li><li>• Girl's Basketball @ <b>HOLLY</b> – J. V. @ 5:00 PM, Varsity @ 6:00 PM</li></ul>
Tuesday, February 12, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Girl's Basketball @ <b>HOME</b> – J. V. @ 5:00 PM, Varsity @ 6:00 PM</li></ul>
Wednesday, February 13, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Primary School Liturgy – Grade 3 @ 9:00 AM</li><li>• Detroit Ignition Soccer Team Presentation @ 2:00 PM</li></ul>
Thursday, February 14, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dress Down Day</li><li>• Valentines Day Parties - Afternoon</li></ul>
Friday, February 15, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>NO SCHOOL – WINTER BREAK</b></li></ul>
Monday, February 18, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>NO SCHOOL – WINTER BREAK</b></li></ul>
Tuesday, February 19, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Classes Resume</li><li>• Morning Prayer – Grade 2</li><li>• 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math League Contest</li></ul>

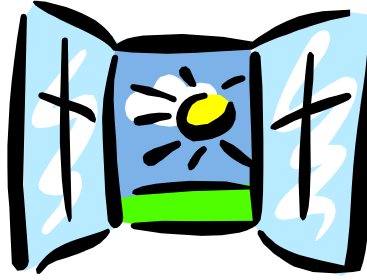
### **Principal Points:**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

- Welcome back! I hope that you and your family are safe and sound after the extreme snow/ice days. With any luck, the dangerous weather is behind us, so we can get back to the business of school. ☺
- Please return the permission slips for the Benziger Family Life Program if you have not already done so. The original due date was yesterday, 2/7, but due to the snow days, we hope to have the permission slips by Monday, 2/11. *Parent Connection* booklets for the program need to be picked up at the school office by parents. The *Parent Connection* booklets are available now and should be picked by Monday, 2/11, as well. Thank you for your time and consideration.
- The Campbell's Soup Label/Box Tops for Education contest is on! Once again, our school goal is to collect 10,000 units, so, start saving and collecting those labels and box tops. Please mark the class name on your returns and place them in the collection container in the office. Thank you!
- We are entering the last days of our Food Drive Challenge 2008. Please bring in every can, box, bag, and case you can in order to reach our goal of 4000 pounds. We can do it!
- Upcoming dates to remember:  
Monday, 2/4, IOWA testing begins in grades 4 – 8.  
Friday, 2/8, Stations of the Cross for students.

Best regards,  
John Gilboe

# THE WINDOW



## **Sixth Grade News:**

The sixth graders are studying in Religion: Exodus – Chapters 1-10, understanding Moses, the Christian Passover, the Jewish Seder Meal, and writing out the complete Liturgy for any mass. In English, we are working on making effective sentences. In Literature, we are working on a bibliography on a deceased person, a problem/solution essay, and a book report that will be typed and presented orally. In Science, we are studying the Earth's Oceans, the ocean floor, life and resources in the ocean, and the ocean's pollution. In Math, we are wrapping up multiplying and dividing fractions and mixed numbers, and then using that skill to solve algebraic equations. In Social Studies, we just finished studying China, and are going to work on Ancient Greece next.

We are still collecting used batteries, and have almost two milk crates full!

We are going on our second field trip on February 26, 2008, to learn how to cross country ski, and build a shelter and fire.

## **For Your Information:**

### **1. Bingo Schedule for Sunday, February 3, 2008:**

Position	Family/Person Responsible
Senior Chairperson	Killingbeck Family
Chairperson	Ortiz Family
Caller	LeVasseur Family
Kitchen Worker	Falinski Family
Floor Worker	Albert Family
Floor Worker	Plait Family Plait Family
Charity Game/Floor Worker	Brewer Family Brewer Family

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

### **2. PTC News:**

Many thanks for all the help that made Catholic Schools Week a great success. Our wonderful and generous families are the heart of St. Mary.

Next PTC Meeting –Thursday, March 13, 2008 at 7:00 pm

### **3. Auction News:**

That's Amore- *An Evening in Italy* is just about 2 months away!! Get ready to be wined and dined on some delicious Italian food, fine wines and delectable desserts. You'll visit the Piazza, St. Mary's Vineyard, Sicily, Sardinia, and St. Peter's Square all without having to leave Pinckney!!

"Benvenuti, amanti del vino!" [*Welcome Wine Lovers*]

At the auction you'll have the opportunity to purchase our very own Select Signature Brand of St. Mary's Wine. This special vino was prepared just for this event!! Salute'

New this year you can bid on becoming this year's **AUCTION VIP's**. You and 3 guests will be the "Celebrities of the Night". You'll receive first class round trip transportation to the Auction with your very own chauffeur who will whisk you away to the event in a luxury Chrysler 300. You and your guests will enjoy early preview and reception in our San Marino Club, receive VIP preferred seating, special bidder pads, 4 drink tickets, raffle tickets, and your very own bottle of St. Mary's Wine with beautiful souvenir etched wine glasses. Look for more details about this special opportunity coming next month.

We are now accepting advertisements for our Auction Program. Don't forget to promote your business or your place of employment. There are many options to choose from. Please pick up an extra Donation form in the school office for more details. Want to be a Banner Sponsor and promote your business year-round in our school gym? Have a question? Call Chairperson, Shannon Orłowski @ 517-861-9235.

### **4. Market Day News:**

Market Day is doing very well. We earned \$207.88 in January and have raised \$1430.28 so far this school year. Thank you to the following for working the January sale pickup: Sally Barclay (phone calls), April Frost, Maureen Galloway, Christine Hur, Susan LeVasseur, Deb Pauline and Tammie Tucker.

The workers for the February pickup are Sally Barclay (phone calls), Cheryl Estes and Doug Garbarz. We are in need of more workers; please call me to sign up

February Orders are due to the office by Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, order online by Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>. The February pickup date is Wednesday, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> between 3:30 and 5:00 PM in the Multi-use Room.

### **5. Campbell's Soup Labels/Box Top News:**

**Will the second grade emerge as the winner again or will another class come out on top?**

**It's time to start saving those Campbell Soup Labels and Box Tops again.** The more you save the more we earn! It's easy to help! Follow these steps and I'll do the rest.

- Just look for box top coupons on items you purchase such as Kleenex, sandwich bags, cereal boxes, and crescent rolls. The Labels for Education are sometimes more difficult to spot. **Usually it is the UPC code from the label and the Campbell's kid emblem beside it. Many of you are still turning in the front product label. These are no longer accepted.**
- Clip the box top coupon or UPC code from the product. Make sure you do not cut expiration dates off of the box tops and/or that the UPC code on the label is in tact.
- Send them to school with your child.

**I am going to reissue my challenge to the St. Mary's students to collect 10,000 labels and box tops during the month of February. The winning class will receive a class-wide dress down pass. Save your labels and box tops between February 1<sup>st</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Put them in an envelope or bundle them together and make sure that your child's grade level is clearly marked so I know which grade level to credit. (Kindergarten students will also have to include the name of their teacher.) Deposit**

**them in the collection container in the school office. You can deposit once at the end of the month or make several deposits as you go.**

Happy Collecting! God Bless You!  
Ann Langford

## **6. Catholic Schools Week Thank-you:**

A big THANK YOU to all the students and parents who participated and came to the School Mass on Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup>. It was absolutely wonderful to see such a great representation of the school. We couldn't have done it without you! God Bless!

May Peace Be With You Always, The St. Mary Advancement Team.

## **7. VIRTUS Class:**

If you have recently taken the Virtus Class, please let the office staff know. Thank you for your assistance.

## **8. Ski Club:**

Ski/Snowboard Tickets for Mt. Brighton are now available. Tow rope tickets are now available for \$48.00 for 4 tickets which **you must buy in advance**. Checks should be made payable to Mt. Brighton. You are able to upgrade for \$5.00 extra on the day you go to chair lift. They also offer discounts on equipment rental. This is a huge savings! **Anyone can buy and use these tickets**. You are able to get a free lesson each day you go also. I have coordinated with other schools so that you are able to go seven days a week. The complete list will be distributed upon purchase

The check-ins are in the building behind the outside ticket counters. You must go to the respective check in school on the day you go.

Any questions please contact Mary Lyttle at 810-923-8624.

## **9. Lenten Study for Women:**

The St. Mary CAFÉ (Catholic Adult Formation Education) Team is offering an eight week Lenten study for women. We will meet weekly from 10:00-11:00 a.m. beginning on Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup> to discuss the weekly reading from the book Preparing My Heart for Easter, A Woman's Journey to the Cross and Beyond. If you are interested in participating, please contact the team at [cafe@stmarypinckney.org](mailto:cafe@stmarypinckney.org) or call Angela at 737-878-2217 by Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup> so we can order a book for you. The books cost \$10.00.