

THE MARIAN MESSENGER

SAINT MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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October 23, 2008

Week-At-A-Glance

Friday, October 24, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none">All School Mass - Grs.4/5 @ 9:00 AMJ.V. Tournament TBD
Monday, October 27, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Morning Prayer – Grade 8
Tuesday, October 28, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ladywood High School Visit - Grs. 7 & 8
Wednesday, October 29, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Primary Mass - Grs. 4/5 @ 9:00 AM
Thursday, October 30, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none">P3 & Y5 - Halloween Parties
Friday, October 31, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none">All School Mass - Gr. 8K - 8 Halloween Parties

Principal Points:

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Auction News Flash! Auction News Flash! Auction News Flash! Auction News Flash! Auction News Flash!

The Auction is in need of volunteers to procure items for *Hooray for Hollywood - Take Twelve!*

- Please contact Gina Aten, Pam McGlade, or me for more information about this important Auction function. We are also in need of donations of Auction items in the \$50 -\$75 range. In lieu of a donation, the Auction team requests a

monetary donation of \$50 in order to purchase Auction items. These \$50 donations collectively account for tens of thousands of dollars in generated earnings for the Auction, so please consider donating. Many thanks for those of you who have already made donations of items or cash!

- **See you tonight?** The PTC General Meeting will be held tonight, Thursday, October 23, @ 7:00 p.m. in the multi-use room. We hope to see you there!

St. Mary School PTC General Meeting #2

Meeting Date: October 22, 2008 7:00pm

AGENDA

7:00pm: Opening Prayer and Remarks	Gloria Sdao
7:10pm: Jordan Keen Spaghetti Fundraiser	Mrs. Holly Kunick
7:15pm: Family Life Night/ Youth Group	Rebecca Keiser
7:20pm: Advancement Team	Sue Doman
7:25pm: Consignment Sale	Wendy Warshal
7:30pm: Bingo	Julie Wolf
7:35pm: Auction Update	Pam McGlade
7:40pm: Mega Raffle/ Euchre Party Update	Julie Kukalis
7:45pm: Treasurers Report	Kristin Myhe
7:50pm: Closing Remarks/housekeeping	Gloria Sdao
8:00pm: Stewardship Prayer	Gloria Sdao

- Conferences for 1st Quarter (Already? Can you believe it?) will be held on Monday, November 17 and Tuesday, November 18. There will be a 12:00 p.m. dismissal on both days with no P.M. busses. Conferences will follow the early dismissals according to this schedule: Monday, November 17, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.; Tuesday, November 18, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Sign up slips for Conferences will go home tomorrow, Friday, October 24 and need to be returned by Friday, October 31. Thank you!
- **Euchre Parties!** - November 8 & January 17 - both parties @ 7:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed to staff these events, so please contact Julie Kukalis @ 810 231-0623 or by email at julie@landmarktravel.net . Thanks again!
- **Mega-Raffle News!** Families may sell mega-raffle tickets after Masses on the following dates: November 1 & 2 and November 8 & 9.
- Many thanks to **Mr. McGlade** and **Mrs. Domen** for helping to make **Wildcat Spirit Day** a huge success!!

BINGO!

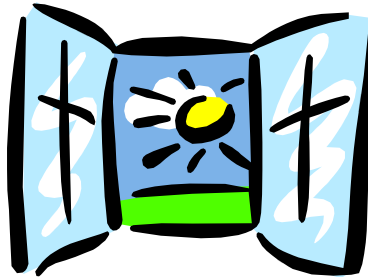
We are in need of Bingo volunteers for all positions, both large and small. Please contact Julie Wolf at juliewolf2005@hotmail.com or by calling her at 734 634-0784 for more information.

Thank you for your continuing support!

Best regards,

John Gilboe

THE WINDOW



Art News:

The classes have been hard at work in the art room. There are a few samples of art work from each grade outside the art room. This year the classes will emphasize on the elements and principles of art. The Eighth grade will begin a one-point perspective cityscape. The Seventh grade has just finished a positive/negative bug drawing. The Sixth grade will begin a watercolor landscape painted based on the artist Paul Klee. The Fifth graders are currently working on an architecture project. They are drawing Victorian style home facades. The Fourth grade will be begin a chalk animal design. The Third grade is currently working on sunset contours. The Second grade is working on a watercolor leaf collage. The First graders will begin a paper mache' globe project, this is a corresponding project with Mrs. Kinsey. The Kindergartners will be drawing self portraits, this project corresponds with the book Art Dog". The PM Preschool class has finished a jack-o-lantern painting.

Young 5's Preschool:

The children in the Afternoon Friends preschool class have been participating in Scholastic's Classrooms Care – Reading Is Giving program. By reading 100 books, our classroom helped to donate books to kids in need in the Crockett County, Tennessee, area. Way to go, St. Mary Preschoolers!!

For Your Information:

Library News:

The library has been up and running since the second week of school. Thanks to all of our wonderful library volunteers, Rina Malcolm, Fabiola Albert, Jeanne Jones, Emmy Liddy, and Sandy Sullivan. We would welcome anyone else who is interested in volunteering.

We are still in **need** of a **Birthday Club coordinator**. Please contact Heather Burton or Rina Malcolm if you are interested in helping our library in any capacity.

Note your **child's library day**:

P4M – Wednesday

4th Grade – Friday

P4A – Wednesday

5th Grade – Friday

Kindergarten – Monday

6th Grade – Thursday

1st Grade – Wednesday

7th Grade – Thursday

2nd Grade – Thursday

8th Grade – Monday

3rd Grade – Wednesday

Please remember that the children can have their library books for one week (unless they have asked for longer times due to reports, etc.).

The **Bookfair** is quickly approaching. It will be held before and during conferences, **November 13th-18th**. All profits from the Bookfair go directly back into our library. Please consider volunteering to help at the Bookfair this year. We will need cashiers, set-up people, “One-for-Books” coordinator, etc. I will have a sign up sheet posted outside the library or let us know via Yahoo group or a note sent with your child.

Hooray for Hollywood Update!

Our new auction software is up and running. When you are ready to make a donation, simply go to the auction website and click on the donation link. Everything is there to make a monetary donation or item donation. Of course donations will still be accepted through the office too.

Do you know someone who works for a hotel corporation? The auction needs hotel vouchers for Chicago, Grand Rapids and Toledo. Can you help? Any chain will do. We also need items to fill baskets related to picnics, beauty, Father's Day, Mother's Day, cooking, baking, scrapbooking, and Mom and Dad date night. Please consider purchasing an item related to these, if you plan on making a donation.

Thanks to the Schneider family for their item donation.

Special thanks this week to Holly Oakes and Kim Plait who will be putting together our auction program.

“The minute that you’re not learning, I believe you’re dead” – Jack Nicholson

November Food Drive:

Our November Food Drive will be held on Friday, November 7th. This month, we are asking for donations to help with the Men's Club Christmas Baskets. St. Mary's Men's Club provides food baskets each year to those families in need during the holidays. Once again, we have broken the items down per class to spread out the items needed. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Lisa Wack @ 810- 231- 6116.

Preschool

Canned Fruit

Kindergarten

Cranberry Sauce

Juice/Juice boxes

1st Grade

Canned sweet potatoes/yams

Canned fruit

2nd Grade

Stuffing Mix

Canned Stew

3rd Grade

Canned White Potatoes

4th Grade

Canned Chicken

5th Grade

Boxes of Jell-O or Pudding

6th Grade

Canned Tuna

7th Grade

Spaghetti Sauce

8th Grade

Cereal

(We do not need corn or beans please)

****Please check the expiration date on ALL food items that you send in. We are not allowed to give out any expired food. Your support is greatly appreciated.**

Pinckney Public Library News:

Preschool Movie Madness - Special movie showings for our youngest patrons and their caregivers. Join us for story time at 11:00 followed with a movie at 11:30. Bring a lunch. Popcorn will be provided. Movies will be rated G (or under). Call the Library for movie titles.

October 28 @ 11:00 am November 25 @ 11:00 am December 16 @ 11:00 am

Staff Sponsored Benefit Spaghetti dinner set for November 14:

On Friday, November 14, from 4:30-7:30 the St. Mary School staff will be holding a benefit dinner for Jordan Keen. For the past 3 ½ years Jordan has suffered from RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy) also know as CRPS (Complex Regional Pain Syndrome). RSD is a rare disease in which the body’s sympathetic nervous system grossly over reacts to injury. The severe pain is relentless and can lead to permanent disability. There is no know cure for the disease. Jordan’s mother Sue taught at St. Mary for several years. She loved it here, but had to leave in order to care for and teach Jordan. The benefit will help the Keen family pay for an expensive new therapy. This therapy is the best chance Jordan has for relief from the pain. Please join us on the 14th! God bless you.

We are looking for school families who would be willing to donate desserts for the dinner. Also, if anyone would like to make a monetary donation to help defray the cost of the food it would be greatly appreciated. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Wick by sending a note to school or Mrs. Kinsey via e-mail at mrskinsey@stmarypinckney.org. Thank you!

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Parent – Teacher Conference Request

Grades K – 8

Due by FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2008

Family Name: _____

Student(s)	Grade(s)
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Please check the time slot you prefer. Please put down a first and second choice. Every effort will be made to try and accommodate your request. Conferences will be scheduled on a first come, first serve basis. We appreciate your cooperation, patience, and understanding.

Monday, November 17th

Tuesday, November 18th

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_____ 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

_____ 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

_____ 8:00 PM – 8:15 PM

If you wish to see the art, computer, band, music, or physical education teacher please check next to the teacher's name:

_____ Mrs. Barrett (Monday afternoon only)

_____ Dr. Braciszewski (appointments set by Dr. Braciszewski)

_____ Ms. Fry (Monday afternoon only)

_____ Mrs. Hamer (Monday afternoon only)

_____ Mr. Leszczynski (Tuesday afternoon only)