



ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

135+ Years of Tradition

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Upcoming Events

Nov. 21: Girls BB vs
Beverly Manor at 4:30

(8th grade Night)

Nov. 25: Boys BB vs

Chillicothe at 5:00

Nov. 26: Boys BB at

Blessed Sac at 5:30

Nov. 27-29: No School

- Thanksgiving Break

Dec. 2: Boys BB vs

Georgetowne at 5:00

Girls BB 8th grade

regionals start

VB Practice may start

Dec. 9: Boys BB vs

Peoria Quest at 5:00

Dec. 11: Boys BB at St.

Thomas at 5:00

Girls BB 8th grade

sectionals start

Dec. 12: Boys BB at

Pleasant Hills at 4:30

Dec. 13: End of 2nd

Quarter

Dec.14: Girls BB state

Dec. 16: Christmas

Concert

Dec. 16: Boys BB vs St.

Jude at 5:00

Dec. 20: 11:30

Dismissal with

Christmas parties at

10:00

The E-Falcon Newsletter

November 21, 2019

Cold Weather Days

On days when the parking lot is covered in snow or ice and the students are not walking outside, you can pull up to the door to drop off. Please be mindful of other cars and students that may be getting off the bus or walking from a car. Also students will be kept inside on days where the temperature and windchill are -10 or below. On days when students are able to go outside, please be sure that they are prepared for the cold with hats, gloves, coats and snowpants and boots. Students will not be able to play in the snow if they are not properly dressed.

Student Council

The St. Mary's student council would like to thank everyone that attended their quarter bingo event on November 9th. They were able to raise roughly \$115 during the event and were very thankful for everyone's support and fun night of fellowship. They were extremely proud of the great support from the community as over 70 people came and went during the event. They will be looking for another event later in the school year.

Lunch Menu

(Subject to change)

All lunches include milk (Nov. 25 – Dec. 6)

- ❖ Mon., Nov. 25- Chicken noodle soup, roll, cheese stick, mixed berries cup
- ❖ Tues., Nov. 26 - Geo's cheese pizza, chips, pineapple
- ❖ Wed., Nov. 27 – Fri. Nov. 29 – No School
- ❖ Mon., Dec. 2 – Hot dog on bun, fries, carrots, peaches
- ❖ Tues., Dec. 3 – Pizza boat, green beans, strawberries
- ❖ Wed., Dec 4 – Chicken strips, mashed potatoes & gravy, broccoli, mixed fruit
- ❖ Thurs., Dec. 5 – Biscuit & gravy, hash brown, pears, cookie
- ❖ Fri. Dec. 6 – Fish sticks, Augratin potatoes, corn, applesauce

Sports Update

Boys BB: Congratulations to our 7th & 8th grade basketball teams. They both won the Robein Round Robin Tournament with both teams going 3-0 and taking home first place. What a great way to kick off our season!

Girls BB: On Thursday, Nov. 21, we will celebrate 8th grade night at MGS with Leah Moore and her parents. Come out and enjoy some basketball with the first game starting at 4:30. They will be playing Beverly Manor. Good Luck Leah!

No School/Newsletter

There will be no school from Wednesday, Nov. 27 – Friday, Nov. 29 due to Thanksgiving break. Please remember all the things for which you can be thankful. Also, there will be no newsletter next week due to the short school week.

Homemade Pie Sales

St. Mary's homemade fruit pie sale was a huge success. Thank you to the 20 pie makers on Friday, the donations of rhubarb, and gooseberries, Metamora IGA for donating boxes, giving discounts and a \$25 gift card for supplies, St. Mary's Old Settlers Committee for donation left over supplies and to all those who purchased pies. After all donations, 108 pies were made and a profit of \$1499.76 was made for our school. THANK YOU! Please feel free to give us your feedback as we plan for next year.

School Forum Meeting

Thank you again to all that attended Thursday's State of the School meeting. For those who could not attend, please see the attached summary. We welcome your feedback and need your support! Questions can be directed to any of the co-chairs and also the email askSTMARYS@gmail.com more information to come in the following weeks.

Coats for Kids

St. Mary of Lourdes is once again a collection site for Salvation Army's Coats for Kids Program. Any new and/or clean/gently used coats from infant to adult are welcome. Coats for older youth are always in great need.

The donation bin is located inside the upper entrance of the Parish Hall which will be open during regular business hours and after the Sunday morning Masses.

Coats will be collected through December 6.

Last year, our bin was filled to overflowing 4 different times. Thank you to all who have and continue to support this program!

PND Santa Breakfast – Saturday, December 14th

Santa Claus is coming to PND! Join them on Saturday, December 14th from 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM in the PND Commons. Don't miss out on this special opportunity to enjoy breakfast of pancakes and sausage with Santa Claus and his elves.

Christmas festivities will include face-painting, arts and crafts, and music. Julie K will be performing at the breakfast too! Tickets are available at the door or in the PND main office. Cost is \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children. Contact

admissions@pndhs.org or 691-8741 with any questions.

Inclement Weather Procedure

In the event that St. Mary's School has to close or cancel classes **due to inclement weather**, utility service interruption, or other emergencies that might compromise the safety of our students or staff, the following messaging procedures will be used to notify staff and parents.

Media Outlets

Week TV

WMBD TV

From St. Mary's School

School messenger (phone call) from Mr. Koehler

Social Media Site

FACEBOOK—St. Mary's School Metamora Illinois

St. Mary's School will make every effort to notify parents and staff of any closing or cancelation the night before, if possible. In any event, notification will be given no later than 6:30 AM

Generally speaking, any school activity, event, or athletic practice are canceled when school is closed for the day

St. Mary's PTO Minutes
November 4, 2019

Meeting started with Opening Prayer at 7pm

Approval of Sep 23 minutes

Treasurer's Report

Balance 27,072.92

Back to School - \$972

Teacher Requests at \$600, missing receipts to track

Only had data through September

Carnival cleared \$1040 of profit

Parent Teacher Lunch for Staff - \$54.64

Jr. High Field Trip \$576

HC Parade Sunk Cost \$78, will use supplies in future events

Old Business

Carnival – Great Feedback

Cake Walk had 945 tickets alone

Feedback that only one ticket booth needed

Face Painting didn't net profit, but may need a better location

BBQ and Food overall was good

Trunk – N – Treat

Weather was great, 13 cars participated, many families

One hour was plenty of time, was nice to be same day as town square

Food or events inside were not missed, keep simple next year

Do we need a stand for marketing or something to promote the school?

New Business

- Committees
 - o Yearbook – No report
 - o Teacher Appreciation – Approved Christmas gifts
 - o Scrip –
 - Last order before Christmas is Dec 16
 - Selling Scrip – 2 – Go @Alter Rosary event on Dec 14
 - o Old Settler's Food Tent – No report
 - o Nominating Committee – Looking for someone to lead
- Chili Bingo – February 8th is the planned date this year, tied to chess meet
 - o Looking for totes to put in classrooms
 - o Need a chili maker, volunteers to cook the meal?
- Student Council Request (Veteran's Day Dinner)

- November 11th dinner, students preparing after school
- Asking for \$500 funds, unsure of turn out, estimating \$5-\$7 per person
- Approved
- Me – N – My Guy Dance
 - Discussed moving to possibly a whole school/family dance
 - Timing would be end of Catholic Schools Week (Feb 1st)
 - Molly Noe to follow up on if we can change the date with DJ
- Art of Bodega
 - Option of multiple ornaments for the students to work on
 - Two days to split up the students
 - Try to avoid siblings having same projects
 - Megan Huss looking for an extra plate from last year to complete her set
 - \$13 an ornament, proposed to look at spring options, if not good then do in December
- Open Comments
 - Discussion on how to get Kris Kringle information out earlier this year
 - Discussion on getting a document that explains common events during the year and rough timing. Deanna Casey to work on draft.
 - New parent expressed confusion during registration and prior to student starting in school, need to check welcome packet and what improvements can be made.

Closing Prayer at 8:01 pm