

The Bulldog Barks October 4, 2018

Mr. Brookbank – Principal brookbank.science@mystmarys.com

Have a safe and fun Fall Break! See you on Monday, October 15th.

South Dearborn will have a trial e-Learning day on November 7th and their students will not be in school. However, St. Mary's **will** be in school on November 7th, but there will be no bus service! Students will be released at 12:35 p.m.

Saint of the Month

St. Francis of Assisi

Farmer's Fair Sign Up

The weather is looking good, which means we could be very busy!! Last year we had a great fair week and ended up netting over \$10,000 from our food booth. That money goes straight into our school.

The Food Booth will be in the usual spot next to US Bank on 2nd Street all 4 days of the 2018 Fair, October 3 - 6. We will be serving the traditional JTM hamburgers, hotdogs, chili and BBQ along with new favorites Nachos and Mac & Cheese!

Breakfast on Saturday morning we will have Biscuits & Gravy, and Homemade Cinnamon Rolls to go with Coffee and Hot Chocolate.

Please remember to tell your friends about the family friendly menu and stop by while you're at the fair this week!

Thank you to everyone who has signed up and worked the fair booth. It takes a lot of people to make this fundraiser successful! Please say thank you to our sponsors who donate items to us, which helps keep costs low.

- *JTM Food Group
- *CJ's Liquor
- *Flavors & Wandstrat Family
- *Gold Star Chili
- *Penn Station & Holt Family
- *Kaiser Pickles & Powers Family
- *Tony Vincent Family
- *Bruce Family

I want to have a PTO meeting after Fall Break to review how the fair booth went, and discuss the next event Catholic Schools Week. CSW is the week of January 27-February 2, 2019. So mark your calendars for Wednesday October 24th at 6 p.m. Hope to see you there, have a great Fall Break!

Thanks for volunteering,
Michelle Ryan
PTO President
[859-240-9390](tel:859-240-9390)

Farmer's Fair Parade

We will have a trailer for people to ride on, in the parade. They will line up everyone over by George Street bridge. Mike McCabe will be driving, so look for the McCabe's truck!

The parade is at 10 a.m. on **Saturday, October 6th. Everyone will need to be there by 9 a.m.**

It would be great if we could get a few parents to come early and help decorate and organize the students. Parents do not have to ride on the trailer, but it would be nice to have the extra people to help watch students.

After the parade is over, any unattended students will be escorted to the parking lot behind the St. Mary's booth. This is the parking lot for U.S. Bank located on 2nd Street (go behind the bank)!

After School Care

The After School Care Program will be supervised by Ms. McPherson in the 1st grade room from 2:35 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Mondays - Thursdays and from 2:35 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. on Fridays! The cost is only \$2.25 per half hour! If you have any question about the After School Care, please call the office or email Ms. McPherson at mcperson.1@mystmarys.com.

School Payments

Don't forget that school lunch, book and technology fees, and tuition may be paid online at www.mystmarys.com.

Box Tops for Education



*** Buy * Clip * Send * Earn***

Box Tops Clips are found on hundreds of product packages and are worth \$.10 for our school. All you need to do is send them to school before they expire! You can also drop them off in the back of church and we will pick them up. St. Mary's has a goal to raise \$1,000 this school year.

Kindergarten – Mrs. Denning

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We will be learning another vowel after fall break, short vowel-i - keyword- inch. We will be focusing on rhyming words, syllables, and "twin consonants" (only the 1st consonant makes the letter sound; i.e.-**hill**). We will learn 3 new "pop-up" words. We will practice reading sentences that contain our caterpillar and "pop-up" words. Doing this at home, on a regular basis, would be helpful. We will also be writing simple sentences.

In math we will be working with numbers 0 – 10, and identifying and giving the value for pennies. We will be counting pennies, writing money amounts using cent signs, and we will be doing story problems using pennies. We will also begin to tell time to the hour.

Report cards for the first grading period will be sent home on Tuesday, October 16. The report card needs to be signed and returned to school. The children have done a nice job these first nine weeks of school. Thank you for all of your help.

St. Mary's had a visit from the Aurora's Fire Department and learned all about fire safety. Congratulation to Sawyer Wismann for winning 1st place for his fire prevention poster and to Vivian Cheek for winning 2nd place for her poster.

Enjoy your Fall Break! See you back at school on Monday, October 15th.

Grade 1 – Ms. McPherson**mcperson.1@mystmarys.com**

The 1st graders had a visit from the Aurora's Fire Department and learned all about fire safety. Congratulation to Emma Palmer for winning 1st place for her fire prevention poster and to Parker McGraw for winning 2nd place for his poster.

We also had a very funny and entertaining visit from Grandpa Cratchet, who taught us about The Golden Rule! Don't forget to visit Grandpa at the Aurora's Farmer's Fair!

The 1st graders drew pictures of their favorite things to do at Aurora's Farmer's Fair. They will be displayed in the Lion's Club building during the fair! Don't forget to visit St. Mary's food Booth at the fair!

Grade 2 – Mrs. Grove**annmarie.grove@mystmarys.com**

Congratulations to all the students for their informative and colorful fire safety posters. Emma Neff and Corinne Hollander won the Second grade trophies from the Aurora Fire Department. We always love when the firemen visit our school and they always complement us for being so well behaved and informed about fire safety.

Grandpa Cratchet drove up from the Farmers Fair to visit us Wednesday. He makes us laugh. Please visit St. Mary's food booth, next to US Bank during the fair. Don't forget to tour the Lion's Building so that you may see our multi-media scarecrows.

Grade 3 – Mrs. Rector**kim.rector@mystmarys.com**

Students really enjoyed our visit from the Aurora Fire Department on Tuesday. We appreciate Chief Lane and all the volunteer firefighters who come to discuss fire safety and show us some of their equipment. Congratulations to Rebekah for winning first place and Gwen for winning second place in the third grade poster contest! All posters were terrific and are currently displayed in the hallway if you would like to see them.

Since the first quarter ends this week, report cards will be sent home when we return from fall break. I will also send home information about scheduling a conference at that time. It will also be time to start thinking about the Halloween party when we return. We will have our party on Wednesday, October 31. If you are interested in helping plan the party, please let me know. See you at the fair! Have a terrific fall break!

Grade 4 – Mrs. Meyer**amanda.meyer@mystmarys.com**

I hope everyone has a fun, safe, and relaxing Fall Break! Students have worked very hard this quarter. Everyone met their AR goal! Great job fourth grade!

When students return from Fall Break, we will begin the multiplication chapter in math. Memorizing multiplication facts is very important and will make solving math equations so much easier and faster. In science, we will move from life science to earth science, starting with renewable and nonrenewable resources. We will also begin computer science lessons and coding.

Grade 5 – Mrs. B**deb.birkholtz@mystmarys.com**

The end of the first quarter is here! Time has sure flown by quickly. The class has done such a great job of staying on task and working hard together. They exhibit great teamwork in preparing for tests and quizzes, reading groups and playing together at recess.

The week after fall break, we will be tackling a new unit in vocabulary, new chapters in religion and science and continuing with Native American groups in social studies. We are still working with multiplication with three digit multipliers. Several students are still having a hard time lining up their columns, and we need to master this before moving on to long division. Any extra practice they could have at home would be beneficial.

Enjoy the Farmers Fair and visit the St. Mary's booth! Have a wonderful fall break!

Grade 6 – Mrs. Rice**suzy.rice@mystmarys.com**

The end of the 1st quarter is here. It's hard to believe 1/4th of the school year is over already. Report cards will be issued after fall break. Relax and come back refreshed.

The 6th graders have been learning about percent, decimal place value, and elapsed time. Ask them some questions at home about time as you live your lives.

The 7th graders have been learning about probability, the Pythagorean Theorem, how to use the Pythagorean Theorem to find a missing length in a right triangle, combining like terms, and exponents.

The 8th grade is now solving inequalities and have learned how to graph the solution and write the solution in set builder notation and interval notation.

On Friday, the 19th, all sixth, seventh, and eighth graders will be walking the Dearborn Trail to Lawrenceburg to enjoy a tour of Dearborn County Courthouse and Law Enforcement Center. Each student must bring a cold lunch which will not require refrigeration. Please pray for good weather; we have a back-up plan in case of rain. See the permission slip which will have come home with your son or daughter. Thanks to Jessica Wismann for setting this up for us! We hope to return to school around 2:20 p.m.

The 6th graders just finished the study of the Solar System and will begin a new topic after fall break.

Grade 7 – Mr. Johnson**brady.johnson@mystmarys.com**

We are wrapping up the 1st quarter of the year. I feel positive about the effort all the students have been putting in. If you would like a conference, feel free to email me brady.johnson@mystmarys.com. I am open to meeting at a time that works for you. I hope everyone has a safe enjoyable Fall Break.

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Grade 8 – Mr. Waldon**jim.waldon@mystmarys.com**

This has been a whirlwind week, and another will follow our fall break. We've wrapped up the 1st quarter, and it has been a good one. October book reports for grades six, seven, and eight may be turned in by October 15th if students would like editing help.

During October, seventh and eighth graders will be praying the rosary once a week as we commemorate the Month of the Holy Rosary. (Ask your son or daughter which mysteries we prayed this week.)

Orders for eighth grade sweatshirts were submitted to Sew What Embroidery this past Monday, and we are hoping to have our shirts the week after fall break.

On Wednesday, the 17th, seventh and eighth graders will have a special presentation on the success and philanthropy of Milton Hershey, and there will be a test – a taste test of Hershey treats. Thanks to Angie (Waldon) Briseno for bringing this special opportunity to us!

On Thursday, the 18th, eighth graders will be shadowing at Oldenburg Academy. Mr. Brookbank will accompany the students, and the academy will provide transportation. They will leave as soon as our last bus arrives and will return by our dismissal time. Students should wear their St. Mary's uniforms. (Academy students will be wearing theirs.)

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Our fundraiser raffle for \$500 has begun. Chances are \$5 each and may be purchased through the eighth graders and the school office. The drawing will be held on December 5. The lucky winner will have a nice chunk of Christmas money! (Indiana Gaming License # 146083)

S.T.O. Coin Drop is continuing through the week after Fall Break. At Bulldog press time, the fifth grade is winning! (K and 1 are paired as one class, 2 and 3 are paired, and 4 and 6 are paired. 5, 7, and 8 are on their own.)

If you signed up for Love the Hungry on October 14th, don't forget to

7th & 8th Grade Science – Mr. Brookbank

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The 7th grade will conclude the Periodic Table content on Thursday. We have had interesting discussions surrounding elements and our everyday uses of products in our lives. Thursday we tested over the material as a lab situation. The eighth grade is studying Ecology. We are taking a "hands on" approach and attempting to tie Ecology to our area industries. The impact of technology & human activities on our environment are being discussed.

Saint of the Month October – St. Francis of Assisi

The 1st grade class was assigned the month of October and chose, St. Francis of Assisi. Founder of the Franciscan Order, born at Assisi in Umbria, in 1181. He was a wealthy young man of privilege, served as a soldier and was a prisoner of war. He heard God's call and went on to be one of the most venerated Catholic saints. He designed the first Nativity set and was the first man ever recorded to receive the Stigmata, the wounds of Christ.

Francis died on October 3, 1226. He was declared a saint by Pope Gregory IX on July 16, 1228, and the next day the Pope personally laid the foundation stone for the new Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi.

The Feast Day of Saint Francis of Assisi is October 4th. We celebrated his feast day today, with a chocolate cake (made by Mr. Vincent!) at lunch. Thank you Connie Powers for organizing this celebration!

STO - Coin Drop

STO (Student Teacher Organization) is going to hold a Coin Drop contest over next week and the week after fall break to help us raise money for Catholic Schools Week activities, next year's Easter treats, and other projects the S.T.O will undertake.

Here is how it works:

Each class (kindergarten and first grade will be considered one class, grades two and three will be considered one class, and grades four and six will be considered one class) will try to bring in pennies for your can or jar. Every penny is "one point." Every dollar bill is "100 points." You want pennies and dollar bills in your can!

What you put in other classes' cans would be nickels, dimes, and quarters because nickels take away five of their points; dimes take away ten of their points; and quarters take away twenty-five of their points. Don't put nickels, dimes, or quarters in your own.

The class with the most money might not really win; the important thing is how many "points" your class has in your container.

The class with the most "points" will win an ice cream party.

We will be in the cafeteria all week next week and the week after fall break so that you can see how much you have in your can and how much the other classes have in their cans.

You can also take coins to Mr. Waldon's room before school in the morning or at the end of the day. Our contest will end on the Friday after fall break.

Let's make sure your class wins that ice cream party!

Cafeteria/Playground

Contact Aimee Hollingsworth at 744-8738, to sign up for cafeteria and playground duty. The schedule is online at www.mymarys.com, under “Student Life”, under “Cafeteria/Playground”. If you can fill in one of the open positions, you can call the school office to let us know!

Lunch:

11:25 a.m. – Grades 3 – 5

11:35 a.m. – Grades K – 2

12:00 p.m. – Grades 6 – 8

Recess:

11 – 11:35 a.m. – Grades K – 2

11:55 – 12:20 a.m. – Grades 3 – 5

12:25 – 12:45 p.m. – Grades 6-8

Cafeteria and Playground hours:

Cafe: First lunch is served at 11:25 a.m., so arrive 10 – 15 minutes early. Serve two lunch periods and help clean up kitchen, wash dishes, etc. You should be finished around 12:45 p.m.

Playground: Arrive around 10:50 a.m. and help the teacher supervise students on playground, Activity Center or at the park (depending on weather). You should be finished around 12:30 p.m.

Cafeteria Volunteers:

10/15 – Pat Scharf, 10/16 – Marge Beinkemper, 10/17 – Marge Waldon, 10/18 – Barb Maness, 10/19 – Monica Ramsey, 10/22 – Diane Peters, **10/23 – Help Needed**, 10/24 – Marge Waldon, **10/25 – Help Needed**, 10/26 – Monica Ramsey, **10/29 – Help Needed**, **10/30 – Help Needed**, 10/31 – Marge Waldon

Playground Volunteers:

10/15 – Carolyn/Bernadine, 10/16 – Sheila Cigolotti, **10/17 – Help Needed**, 10/18 – Chris Strzok, 10/19 – Chris Strzok, 10/22 – Carolyn/Bernadine, 10/23 – Sheila Cigolotti, **10/24 – Help Needed**, 10/25 – Chris Strzok, 10/26 – Chris Strzok, 10/29 – Carolyn/Bernadine, 10/30 – Sheila Cigolotti, **10/31 – Help Needed**

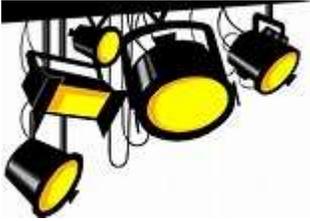
Lunch Menu: \$15.00 per ticket (5 meals)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
15	16	17	18	19
3-Way Tossed Salad Green Beans Crackers Fruit Milk	Chicken Nuggets Buttered Noodles Corn Fruit Milk	Pizza (pepperoni or cheese) Veggie Sticks with Dip Fruit Milk	Taco (Beef or Chicken) Refried Beans Corn Fruit Milk	French Toast Sticks Sausage Links Potato Wedges Carrots Fruit Milk



St. Mary's Annual Oktoberfest

Oktoberfest will be on Saturday October 20th from 6:00 - 9:30 p.m. Evening will include: Scavenger Hunt, German Food, Beer Garden, Kids Games and a Chili Cookoff!



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

#WELOVESTMARYS

Fire Prevention week:

Students really enjoyed our visit from the Aurora Fire Department on Tuesday. We appreciate Chief Lane and all the volunteer firefighters who come to discuss fire safety and show us some of their equipment. Congratulations to the following students for winning the poster contest:

Kindergarten: Sawyer Wismann and Vivian Cheek

First Grade: Emma Palmer and Parker McGraw

Second Grade: Emma Neff and Corinne Hollander

Third Grade: Rebekah Zigan and Gwen Collins

All posters were terrific and are currently displayed in the hallway if you would like to see them. Way to go St. Mary's students!

Magazine Sales:

Congratulations to Abbie Sohmer and Sylvea Kraemer for being the top two sellers!

WINNERS CIRCLE

Congratulations to Ben Zigan. He won a dirt bike Trial Meet in Carrolton, Kentucky.

Student Teacher Organization members:

Eighth grade: Jake Daugherty, Will Hollingsworth, Cyndi Tush

Seventh grade: Thaddeus Eaglin, Bernadette Wismann, Beth Zigan

Sixth grade: Elana Hollingsworth, Lakota Vincent, Chris Woodruff

Calendar of Events:

Thursday, October 4th	End of 1st Quarter
Friday, October 5th	No School – Farmer’s Fair
Saturday, October 6th	Farmer’s Fair Parade – meet at 9 a.m.
Monday, October 8th – Friday, October 12th	No School – Fall Break
Tuesday, October 16th	1st Quarter Report Cards go home
Thursday, October 18th	8th Grade – Shadow Day at Oldenburg Academy
Monday, October 22nd	Sr. Lorreto visit
Wednesday October 24th	PTO Meeting at 6 p.m. in school cafeteria
Monday, October 29th	National Theatre – Grades K-6 ~ <i>Showdown at Resource Ranch</i>
Saturday, November 3 rd	5 th and 6 th grade Speech Meet @ OA
Sunday, November 4 th	Time Change – time to fall back
Wednesday, November 7 th	eLearning Day – Early dismissal; no bus service. Students will be released at 12:35 p.m.
Friday, November 9 th	Midterm Ends
Thursday, November 15	Midterm Reports sent home