

## The Bulldog Barks October 19, 2018

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### Mr. Brookbank – Principal

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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.

Mrs. Baker will be returning on Monday, October 22nd. Deb Birkholtz will be completing her most recent teaching assignment at St. Mary's on Friday, October 19th. Deb filled in for Mrs. Baker during her maternity leave. THANK YOU Deb! In my 40 years of working in the education field you are one of the most caring educators I have ever had the pleasure to work with!

Mr. Johnson has accepted a position with the South Ripley school system and his last day was Thursday, October 18th. Brady has been an intricate part of the educational staff since 2016. Thank you Brady and continued success!

Sr. Loretto from the Archdiocese Mission Office will be at St. Mary's on Monday, October 22nd.

### *Saint of the Month*

*St. Francis of Assisi*

### PTO Meeting

Don't forget the next PTO meeting will be on Wednesday, October 24th at 6 p.m. in the school cafeteria. We will review how the fair booth went, and discuss the next event Catholic Schools Week. CSW is the week of January 27 - February 2, 2019.

### Uniforms

PTO will be putting out uniforms (long pants, shirts, sweatshirts, etc.) this weekend. We all know that kids grow overnight. So if you have not had a chance to pull out cold weather uniforms from last year, this is your chance. If you are unable to attend mass this weekend, you can always call Emily Hollander at 513-257-3634 to arrange an alternate time.

### STO Red Ribbon Week - October 22-26, 2018

- Monday: PJ Day (wear pj's and shoes, no slippers)  
Kelley McDaniel from the Health Department  
- presentation to grades K-2, 3-5, and 6-8
- Tuesday: Sports Jersey day (wear a favorite sports team jersey/shirt or be in uniform)
- Wednesday: Dress up day (dress up or be in uniform)
- Thursday: Neon day (wear a neon colored shirt and sunglasses or be in uniform)
- Friday: Red day (wear red to support Red Ribbon Week or be in uniform)  
Aurora Policeman and his canine presentation (tentative).  
If not, Josh Cady and his police dog will give a presentation but may be later.

### Farmer's Fair Parade

We had a great time in the parade, we had about 40 students join us and a few parents. Look for photos on Facebook! Many thanks to everyone for taking the time out of your Fall Break to represent St. Mary's! We won 2nd Place – Best Display by Youth Group or Organization for our float and \$100.00!

## 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](mailto: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](http://www.mystmarys.com).

## Box Tops for Education

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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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In phonics we will be working with letter Ss; keyword- sun. We'll be unblending sounds to spell words, and we will be listening to the ending sounds in words. We will add 47 "s" words to our caterpillar. That will make a total of 114 words! The class will be excited to see that the caterpillar has grown, and is curling around on the ceiling. The children will also bring home Reader #3, *Stan's Pigs*, for practice. We will be learning about possessive apostrophes while reading our new reader. Please continue to practice reading all of the high-frequency words on a regular basis.

In math we will work on telling time to the hour, identifying the hour and minute hands on the clock face, and writing the time. We will work with numbers 0-10, identifying numbers that are before, after, or between other numbers. We will also work with pennies.

If you have not already done so, please remember to sign and return report cards.

Have a wonderful week.

## Grade 1 – Ms. McPherson

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In Phonics we will be reading and spelling new words containing the letter Xx (as in fox) and consonant Yy (as in yarn). We will also be working with digraph sh (as in shark) and the two sounds of digraph oo (as in hook and tooth).

In Math we are learning our +1 facts. We are also continuing to practice writing number sentences and solving story problems.

In Science we will be learning about the parts of a pumpkin plant and will be using our five senses to observe a pumpkin.

## Grade 2 – Mrs. Grove

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We are proud of our Emma Neff for winning a first place ribbon for the leaf she made with markers and water. Thank you to Mrs. Hetzer, our Art teacher, for submitting it.

Our Halloween party will be on Halloween, Wednesday, October 31st at 12:35 p.m. Mrs. Hollander and Mrs. Ryan are organizing activities and games for us. I will send home snack assignments next week. The students may change into their costume as long as they can put it on over their uniform. They won't be able to go to the restroom to change.

**Grade 3 – Mrs. Rector****[kim.rector@mystmarys.com](mailto:kim.rector@mystmarys.com)**

We have a busy week ahead of us. We will wrap up chapter 4 in social studies and have a test either Thursday or Friday. Multiplication is the name of the game in math! I have flash cards that the students can use if they want to study at home. Just let me know if you'd like to borrow some. The sooner they memorize the basic facts, the easier math will be for them. We will be up to multiplying by 5 by Friday.

This week is also Red Ribbon Week. We will have a guest speaker on Monday afternoon. Ask your child about it! Have a terrific week!

**Grade 4 – Mrs. Meyer****[amanda.meyer@mystmarys.com](mailto:amanda.meyer@mystmarys.com)**

We've had a great start to second quarter! In reading students have been reading and practicing skills for the story, *The Stranger*, by Chris Van Allsburg. Chris Van Allsburg is more popular for writing *The Polar Express*. Don't forget students can use Quizlet to study the vocabulary words online and Spelling City to study spelling words.

Keep in mind that October reading logs are due next Thursday. Also, students need to plan their time to get their book read for their book report project, so they have time to do the project as well. We discussed how some parts of projects can be completed without finishing the book. Use your time wisely!

Have a great week!

**Grade 5 – Mrs. B****[deb.birkholtz@mystmarys.com](mailto:deb.birkholtz@mystmarys.com)**

Next week, the 5th grade welcomes back Mrs. Baker! I know that they are excited to have her back! Report cards went home on Tuesday, and they were very good. Congratulations to those that made honor roll.

We finished reading *Number the Stars* this week, and took the final test on Friday. Our math test over multiplication was also this week, and the class will begin long division next week. Social studies is continuing with the focus on Native American tribes, and science moves on to ecosystems in chapter two.

It has been great to be back at St. Mary's these past nine weeks. I have thoroughly enjoyed having this class for the second year in a row, and it is impressive to see how much they have grown academically and their drive to do their best! I will miss them. Thanks for all of the support from home! I am truly blessed to have been a part of this wonderful school. God bless!

**Grade 6 – Mrs. Rice****[suzy.rice@mystmarys.com](mailto:suzy.rice@mystmarys.com)**

Report Cards were sent home on Tuesday. Please sign and return one copy ASAP. 6th graders have begun studying ecosystems in science. They are continuing to learn about exponents and square roots in math. 7th grade is learning about working with variables and coefficients. 8th grade is learning about solving equations and inequalities with absolute value.

Red Ribbon Week is next week. Check out the special activities for the week in the bulldog.

The 6th grade could use 2-4 pumpkins for October 31. They don't need to be perfect. We will study the pumpkins, make some predictions and estimations about them, then we will measure them in several ways. The students who bring them in may take them home Wed. afternoon. They will be carved and ready to use.

**Connie Powers (DRE)**

Just a reminder, that 7th grade confirmation forms need to be turned in by Monday, October 30th.

**Grade 7 – Mr. Johnson****[brady.johnson@mystmarys.com](mailto:brady.johnson@mystmarys.com)**

Thank you to all my students, they truly are wonderful. To the staff, thank you for all the support. To the parents, thank you for all you do. St. Mary's truly is a special and a lot of the reason is because of you. I will be checking in regularly and look forward to all the positive news coming from this school. God Bless you all.

**Grade 8 – Mr. Waldon****[jim.waldon@mystmarys.com](mailto:jim.waldon@mystmarys.com)**

The 8th graders look mighty fine in their Class of 2019 hoodies.

6th graders are ready to begin their new novels. Some will be reading *On the Far Side of the Mountain* and others will read *The Boy in the Red Jacket*. 7th graders are just getting into *Treasure Island*, and 8th graders have begun the great American novel, *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*. Writing continues, and proofreading becomes ever more important.

Remember that on Tuesday, October 30th, we'll be having an 8th grade class trip fundraiser at the Aurora Chipotle across from Gillman Home Center on US 50 East from 4-8 P.M. Once sales reach \$300, we will receive 33% of the profit. You must mention St. Mary's School when you order.

This week 7th and 8th graders prayed the Luminous Mysteries of the rosary.

Thanks to Angie (Waldon) Briseno for visiting the 7th and 8th graders to tell them about the generosity of Milton Hershey. Angie brought some delicious candy for the students to enjoy, and the Hershey Company also provided some product for the 8th graders to sell. Thanks, too, to Jessica Wismann and all of the folks at our courthouse and law enforcement center for making possible a fall fieldtrip for the 6th, 7th, and 8th graders.

We really need to sell those raffle tickets! Parents, please try to think of anyone you could ask. At this point we are still about \$100 shy of covering our costs. 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)

Finally, we say God be with you, and thanks for all you've done for St. Mary's School, Mr. Johnson; we wish you every success in your new venture. God bless.

**7th & 8th Grade Science – Mr. Brookbank****[brookbank.science@mystmarys.com](mailto:brookbank.science@mystmarys.com)**

We are completing the last section on Ecology. This past week we have been concentrating on symbiosis. Students completed the pre-test on Friday and we will begin a lab on Monday. The lab will concentrate on the symbiotic relationships of mutualism, commensalism, and parasitism. We will test on Tuesday covering the Ecology section.

**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.

## St. Mary's Annual Oktoberfest



Octoberfest 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! See attached flyer!

### Cafeteria/Playground

Contact Aimee Hollingsworth at 744-8738, to sign up for cafeteria and playground duty. The schedule is online at [www.mymarys.com](http://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:

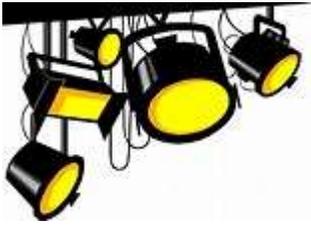
10/22 – Diane Peters, 10/23 – Marge Beinkemper, 10/24 – Marge Waldon, **10/25 – Help Needed**, 10/26 – Monica Ramsey, **10/29 – Help Needed**, **10/30 – Help Needed**, 10/31 – Marge Waldon

### Playground Volunteers:

10/22 – Carolyn/Bernadine, **10/23 – Help Needed**, 10/24 – Carolyn Robers, 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
22	23	24	25	26
Spaghetti Lasagna Tossed Salad Bread Sticks Green Beans Fruit Milk	Southern Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Corn Fruit Milk	Hamburger or Pizza Burger French Fries Baked Beans Fruit Milk	Sausage Gravy & Biscuits Sausage Links Carrots Peas Fruit Milk	Cheese Stuffed Bread Stick with Pizza Sauce Tossed Salad Mixed Vegetable Fruit Milk



# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

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## Farmer’s Fair Awards\*

St. Mary’s School won:

- First Place for our famous Apple Crisp and \$5.00!
- 2nd Place – Best Display by Youth Group or Organization for our float and \$100.00!

### Art Awards:

Emma Neff, 2nd grade ..... First Place and \$5.00  
 Rebekah Zigan – 3rd Grade ..... Second Place and 3.00  
 Madison Brooks – 5th Grade ..... Third Place and \$1.00  
 Noah Bruce – 7th Grade ..... Second Place and 3.00

### Art Participation:

Kindergarten: Abbigale Sohmer and Sarah Zigan

1st Grade: Liam Vincent

4th Grade: Lauren Simon, Garrett Sohmer, Sam Yauch and Rachel Zigan

5th Grade: Laura Dennis, Eleanor Eaglin, Colt Hensley, Ellie Holt, Bailey McGraw and Maddie Ryan.

6th Grade: Elana Hollingsworth and Lakota Vincent

7th Grade: Myla Bennett and Lily Dennis

8th Grade: Mikeyla Brooks, Hannah Haverkos, Aiden Metz, Cyndi Tush and Ben Zigan

### Students entered into other categories:

Ava Legge – 1st Grade ..... Sweet Potato – Second Place  
 Corinne Hollander – 2nd Grade ..... Pumpkin – 2nd Place  
 Corinne Hollander – 2nd Place ..... Rock Decorating – 1st Place  
 Megan Ryan – 2nd Grade ..... Spotter Paint – First Place  
 Oliver Wismann – 3rd Grade ..... Birdhouse – First Place  
 William Hollander – 4th Grade ..... Pumpkin – 2nd Place  
 Alahna Beinkemper ..... Mixed Media “Step Up” – First Place  
 Maddie Ryan – 5th Grade ..... Computer poster – First Place  
 Maddie Ryan – 5th Grade ..... Shotgun poster – First Place  
 Maddie Ryan – 5th Grade ..... Archery poster – Second Place  
 Nicholas Wismann – 5th Grade ..... Woodworking – First Place  
 Nicholas Wismann – 5th Grade ..... Electronic – Second Place  
 Ellie Ryan – 7th Grade ..... Craft – First Place  
 Ellie Ryan – 7th Grade ..... Computer poster – First Place  
 Ellie Ryan – 7th Grade ..... Archery poster – Second Place  
 Ellie Ryan – 7th Grade ..... “People In My World” poster – First Place  
 Bernadette Wismann – 7th Grade ..... Honey poster – First Place  
 Bernadette Wismann – 7th Grade ..... Wildlife poster – First Place

Bernadette Wismann – 7th Grade ..... Veterinarian Science poster – First Place  
Aidan Metz – 8th Grade..... 3D printing – First Place  
Aidan Metz – 8th Grade..... Golden Knights statue – Second Place  
Aidan Metz – 8th Grade..... Gourd Art – Dragon – Third Place  
Aidan Metz – 8th Grade..... Drawing – “Hands of a Million” – First Place

Congratulations to Sally Beckman, who performed with Linda Rechten's School of Voice at the Farmer's Fair on Saturday. This is her second year singing at the fair. This year she sang *It's A Hard Knock Life* from the musical *Annie*.

*\*My apologies in advance, if I have missed anyone! I asked around and even asked several students for information.*

**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:

October 22 – 26th	Red Ribbon Week (Drug Awareness)
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 3rd	5th and 6th grade Speech Meet @ OA
Sunday, November 4th	Time Change – time to fall back
Wednesday, November 7th	eLearning Day – Early dismissal; no bus service. Students will be released at 12:35 p.m.
Friday, November 9th	Midterm Ends
Thursday, November 15	Midterm Reports sent home