

The Bulldog Barks September 28, 2018

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

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. Vincent de Paul

Farmer's Fair Sign Up

The Farmers Fair Food Booth will be in the usual spot next to US Bank on 2nd Street all 4 days of the 2018 Fair, October 3rd – 6th.

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!

****WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR 5 VOLUNTEERS ON SATURDAY****

2 spots from 11:30a-1:30p

3 spots from 12p-5p

We cannot run the booth well during the day on Saturday if we do not have more people there working. If you can only come for part of the shift, please let me know and we will work it out. Click the link to get to the online sign ups.

<http://signup.com/go/siXyXmg>

Thanks for volunteering,
Michelle Ryan
859-240-9390

The new St. Mary's shirts have arrived!
They will be sent home on Friday, September 28th.

Farmer's Fair Parade

We will have a trailer for people to ride on, in the parade. We plan on using streamers and balloons to decorate, or something simple.

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. ***We are still looking for volunteers to help in the morning and to decorate!***

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.

Magazine Sale

Keep on selling! We have extended the magazine sale until, Monday, October 1st! Please turn in all your orders to the office by 12 noon. You can access the website – bit.ly/stmarysaurora.

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 doing individual evaluations for report cards next week.(10/1-10/4) Please review all skills that were listed on the midterm letter, paying special attention to blending and reading high-frequency words.

We will also work with letter **Mm** (keyword-monkey). We will be working with some "tricky" words that contain -am (am, ham, lamp, Pam). We will also focus on identifying beginning and ending sounds in words. Reader #2, "*Hop on the Mop*", will come home for practice.

The Aurora Fire Department will be at school on Tuesday to teach the students about fire safety. Thank you to all who turned in their fire safety posters.

No school on Friday, October 5th. Enjoy the fair! Don't forget to stop by St. Mary's food booth.

Fall break is the week of October 8th. Reviewing skills during the week off would be beneficial! Enjoy your time off. See you back at school on Monday, October 15th.

Grade 1 – Ms. McPherson

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In Phonics this week we are reading and spelling new words containing "sneaky e" (as in cake, hose, cube, dime, and concrete).

In math we are continuing to practice adding our double, +1, and +0 math facts. We are also reading and solving story problems and counting by 2's, 5's, and 10's.

Don't forget to visit the St. Mary's food booth at the Farmers Fair this week!

Grade 2 – Mrs. Grove

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We are busy studying all about shells. We realized that many animals have shells. There are seashells, turtle shells, and snail shells. We learned the difference between mollusks and crustaceans. Spiders are on our agenda this week, too.

In Math, we are also trying to get the hang of fractions. Practice at home would be helpful! Don't forget to look for our scarecrow entries at the Farmers Fair in the Lions Building.

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

The third grade students did an excellent job on their readings for mass this past Wednesday. They will have another turn on December 12. They also did a terrific job making their multimedia pumpkins for the Farmer's Fair. We delivered them and they will be on display in the Lion's Club building during the fair. Stop by and check them out!

On Tuesday, we will have a visit from our friends in the Aurora Fire Department to review fire safety. Students turned in fire safety posters this week and are anxiously awaiting the announcement to see whose poster has been chosen as the winner. They were all excellent, so I'm glad I didn't have to choose.

We will have a social studies test on chapter 3 on Wednesday. We will also have our regular spelling list, with the final test being on Thursday since we will not be here on Friday. Thursday is also the final day of the first quarter. Enjoy the fall break!

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

Students have been busy typing their personal narrative! They love working on their computers. Another fun activity we did on our computers was play Kahoot! to practice grammar parts of speech. Throughout the quarter, students have been learning about nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, and pronouns. Kahoot! is an interactive quiz game that students each can participate in at the same time.

We will be wrapping up many units and chapters this week before we take a short break. Students have worked so hard this quarter and have shown a lot of improvement. Check our classroom newsletter for all those important dates!

I hope to see some of you Thursday evening at Farmer's Fair. I will be working in the St. Mary's booth! Have a good week and enjoy Fall Break!

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

It is hard to believe that we are nearing the end of the first quarter! Students have continued to do very well with their work, and I'm proud of their efforts. We are still working with multiplication in math having ventured into three digit multipliers. Each day the students show they are mastering their multiplication facts working out these problems. We should wrap the chapter up next week.

Our novel reading continues, and we are working on Units 1 - 6 review in vocabulary. The test over units 1 – 6 will be Tuesday. The students are working in study groups as we play review games to know the definitions of the words. Spelling will be given next week with the practice test on Tuesday and the final test on Thursday.

Think Smart, Stay Safe continues on Tuesday, and the students are gaining lots of information about staying safe. Have a wonderful week and God bless!

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

The 6th and 7th grade each have their next math test on Wednesday. A practice test will be assigned on Monday. We will go over it on Tuesday. Then Wednesday is the test. 8th grade will have their next algebra test on Thursday over all of chapter 2.

The quarter ends on Thursday, October 4th, only 2 weeks away! Report cards go home after fall break on Tuesday, October 16th.

6th graders are excited that they won the first Saint's Bingo. They enjoy the game each morning.

Grade 7 – Mr. Johnson

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6th Grade - We will be testing over Chapter 3 on Tuesday. I am going at a deliberate pace the first nine weeks so that students can adjust to the rigor expected of them in Middle School, As the year proceeds the pace of instruction will increase.

7th Grade - We finished Chapter 4 this past week. We are moving on to Chapter 5 which will cover environmental interactions faced by society today.

8th Grade - We have begun Chapter 4, which still covers Colonial America. Our focus will be on how the population grew and the economic focus of each colonial region.

I hope to see many of you at the Farmer's Fair next week. I will be working the St. Mary's Booth next Friday from Noon to 3:30. Stop by and say hello.

Grade 8 – Mr. Waldon

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Thanks to everyone who supported and made possible the 8th grade food booth at Moores Hill's bicentennial celebration last weekend. Our booth did well!

Orders for 8th grade sweatshirts must be in by this Monday, October 1st, so that we can receive delivery the week after fall break.

We've worked so hard on writing this past week that we will not finish our 6th, 7th, or 8th grade novels until this coming week. Be sure to talk to your sons and daughters about the books we've been reading and the characters they have enjoyed.

As we wrap up the first quarter, 6th graders will begin to identify pronouns, and 7th and 8th graders will focus on adjectives. We will continue to write, write, write, and to proofread everything we write.

Notice that our STO will be conducting a "Coin Drop" to raise money for the services they provide for the student body throughout the school year. See the article included in this edition of the *Bulldog*.

Thanks to everyone who signed up for Love the Hungry on October 14th! God bless.

7th & 8th Grade Science – Mr. Brookbank

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We completed the section on basic Chemistry. On Thursday, we began Ecology in the eighth grade. In the seventh grade we are beginning an in depth study of the Periodic Table and how elements play a significant role in our everyday lives.

Saint of the Month September – St. Vincent de Paul

The 2nd grade class was assigned the month of September and chose, St. Vincent de Paul. Vincent de Paul CM (24 April 1581 – 27 September 1660) was a French Roman Catholic priest who dedicated himself to serving the poor. He is venerated as a saint in the Catholic Church and the Anglican Communion. He was canonized in 1737. The Feast Day of Saint Vincent de Paul is **September 27th**. We celebrated his feast day on Thursday with ice cream bars at lunch. Thank you to 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:

10/01 – Pat Scharf, 10/02 – Marge Beinkemper, 10/03 – Marge Waldon, 10/04 – Barb Maness, 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:

10/01 – Carolyn/Bernadine, 10/02 – Sheila Cigolotti, 10/03 – Help Needed, 10/04 – Chris Strzok, 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
1	2	3	4	5
Rotini & Meat Sauce Tossed Salad Green Beans Bread Stick Fruit Milk	Petite Chicken Strips Corn Green Beans Buttered Noodles Fruit Milk	Hamburger or Pizza Burger French Fries Baked Beans Fruit Milk	Cheese Coney Veggie Sticks w/ Dip Fruit Milk	FALL BREAK – NO SCHOOL



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

#WELOVESTMARYS

Connie Powers (DRE)

Congratulations to Connie Powers! Connie is President of the Association of Parish Catechetical Leaders in our archdiocese. The APCL received an award for Excellence in Catechesis. The award was given after mass at The Vineyard celebration. The Vineyard celebration. The Vineyard is held in appreciation for co-workers in the diocese. Connie as a leader of the APCL brings recognition to our parish. We have talent at St. Mary's.

Sports...

- Olivia Inabnitt played in the SAY soccer tournament and played great! Came in 3rd in the league!
- Ava Legge and Lyndsey Inabnitt were on the Fireballs soccer team and played in the championship of the SAY tournament!
- Sam Yauch and Elliot Meek were on the Aurora soccer team, and they won the championship game. The score was 4/1!
- The South Dearborn 7th grade volleyball team that Lily Dennis plays on, won the SEI tournament!

Way to go St. Mary's students!

Student Teacher Organization members:

Eighth grade: Jake Daugherty, Will Hollingsworth, Cyndi Tush
Seventh grade: Thaddeus Eaglin, Bernadette Wisman, Beth Zigan
Sixth grade: Elana Hollingsworth, Lakota Vincent, Chris Woodruff

Calendar of Events:

Tuesday, October 2nd	Fire Prevention (Grades K – 3)
Wednesday, October 3rd	Grandpa Cratchet (Grades K-2)
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
Monday, October 29th	National Theatre – Grades K-6 ~ <i>Showdown at Resource Ranch</i>